

# Talk About

## A Quick Overview—



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Is a talking, reading, and writing program designed to provide models of everyday English language and essential theme-based vocabulary and concepts for students who are learning English or who have a limited English vocabulary.

Is based on empirical research into the bootstrapping effect for learners when oral language, writing, and reading are taught in tandem.

Is leveled for both English Language Learners and Guided Reading.

Includes factual books that are divided into three sets, *Everyday Things*, *Things Around Me*, and *Science in My World*. Each set is further divided into four themes with six books in each theme. Each book is topic based and includes four concepts that are explored within the book.

Models a variety of language structures and patterns that are straightforward and repeated.

Provides different opportunities for learning through text, photos, photo glossaries, labels, captions, diagrams, charts, keys, maps, and graphs.

Includes follow-up activities to provide revision, consolidation, and extension.

Has free-on line support material that includes a Program Overview, Science Experiments, and Photocopiable Masters that provide reinforcement for students and assessment data for teachers.



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## A Quick Look at the Features—



	Everyday Things	Things Around Me	Science in My World
ELL Level	Beginning	Beginning +	Intermediate
Reading Level	A - C	D - F	G - I
Concepts - four per book	Very familiar	Familiar	Less familiar
Sentence Structure	Short straightforward	Short - may cover two lines	Short straightforward
Sentence Pattern	Pattern repeats on most pages	More than one pattern repeats	More than one pattern
Meaning Support	Photos match text	Multiple photos match text	Photos and diagrams enhance meaning
Vocabulary Support	Words repeated Labels arrowed	Words repeated Labels and captions arrowed	Words repeated Labels and captions arrowed
Visual Literacy	One example per book	One - explains and teaches the visual element	Two+ teach the element and aid comprehension
Extra Features	Additional photo glossary	Critical Thinking	Science Experiments

