



Objective 9 Uses language to express thoughts and needs

a. Uses an expanding expressive vocabulary Related Objectives: 3, 4, 5, 8a, 8b, 9b, 11a, 20a

What You Do

1. Recite the chant and indicate when toddlers and 2-year-olds should say, "Just like me!" Encourage the child to copy your movements.

I went upstairs. [*Mime walking up stairs*.] Just like me! I went into a room. [*Mime opening a door*.] Just like me! I looked out of a window. [*Mime looking out of a window*.] Just like me! And there I saw a monkey. [*Scratch under your arms*.] Just like me!

- Invite children to come up with different animals or objects that they will "see" out of the window.
 Repeat the chant using their ideas and encourage them to say, "Just like me!" as you both perform the movements.
- Hold infants securely facing you as you repeat the chant. Say, "Just like you!" at the end of each line. End by tickling the child gently under the arms.

