## Abound Parenting News Theme: *Brick by Brick* (week 1)





···that build your children's vocabulary and reading skills

## Abound WordUp word of the week: CONSTRUCT

<u>How was this word chosen?</u> This is an academic word, the kind of word that takes *lots* of exposures to learn, and that children will need to know to read texts successfully in the years to come.

The Abound app gives your child 7 opportunities to hear and use the week's abstract word. For extra practice, here are 3 more questions about this week's word, **CONSTRUCT** 

(CONSTRUCT definition: to build or make, like a road, building, bridge or even a pizza!

- 1. We can use pillows and blankets to CONSTRUCT or build a tent, and we can build or CONSTRUCT a pizza by putting sauce and cheese and toppings on a crust. How are those two CONSTRUCTION projects alike, and different?
- 2. If someone asked you to CONSTRUCT a tower out of playing cards, does that sound possible? Would you want to try, even if it got really frustrating? What things would be easy to use if you wanted to CONSTRUCT a tower?
- 3. Would you rather be on a road **CONSTRUCTION** crew or an apartment building **CONSTRUCTION** crew? Why?

## This week's featured *TalkOn* question to inspire more TALK at home:

How are the wheels on a car different from the wheels on a construction vehicle, like a dump truck or a bulldozer? Why do you think different vehicles have different kinds of wheels and tires?

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