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Teaching New Vocabulary

A good way to teach learners new vocabulary is to use '**PATS**':

- **P** **POINT** – if the word is a noun, point at the object or at a picture of the object as you say the word.
- **A** **ACT** – if the word is a verb, try to act out or gesture to explain the meaning of the word, as you say it.
- **T** **TELL** – if the word has a more abstract meaning, then tell the learners the meaning of the word. You may need to code switch at this point, but also try to provide a simple English explanation.
- **S** **SAY** – say the word in a sentence to reinforce the meaning.