**The Conversation Cottage**

*The Conversation Cottage is a practical informal tool that provides a big picture framework for the Conversation Coach to see the many areas involved with social language skills.*

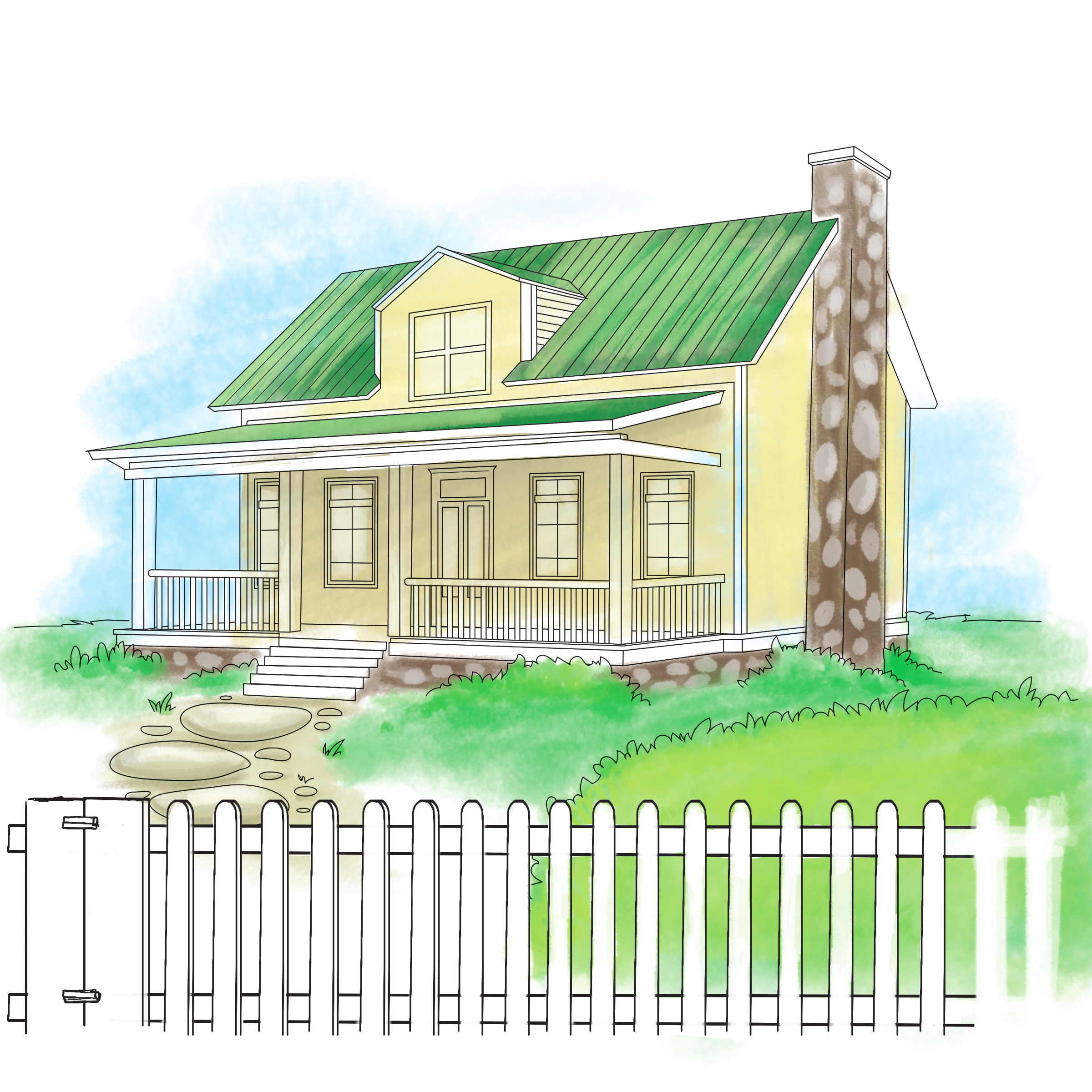
A Conversational Blueprint

**GATE:** *Eye Contact and Social Intentions*

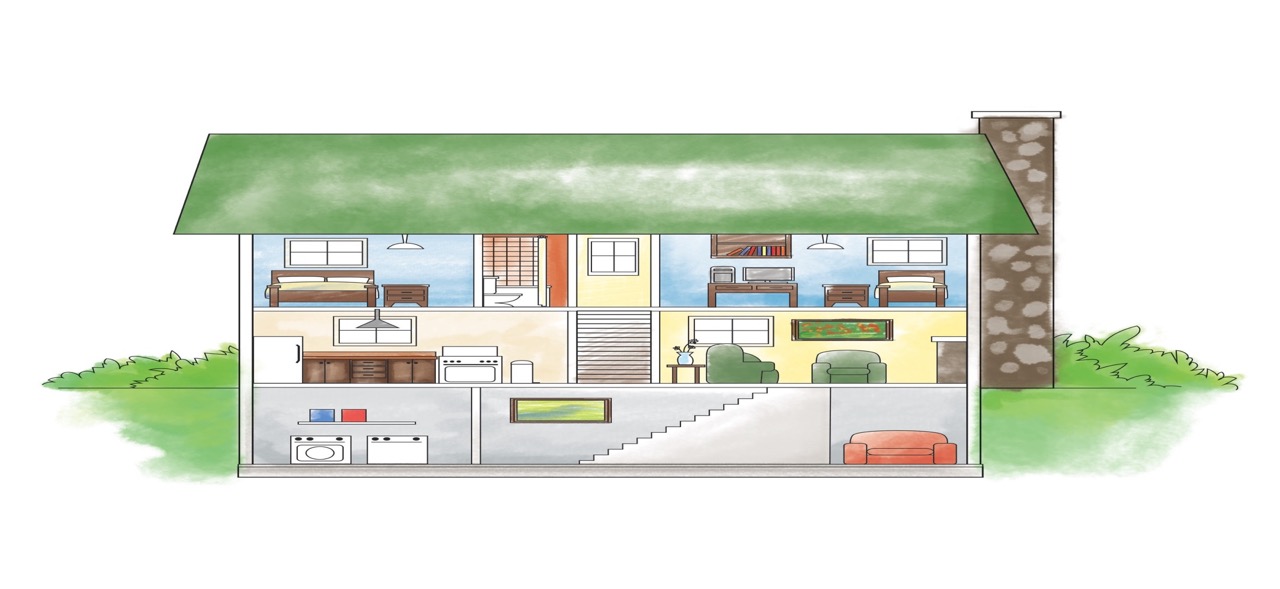
**PATH:** *Greetings, Chitchat, Conversations with embedded topics*

**STAIRS:** *Social language tools to stay in the longer conversations*

**PORCH:** *Perspective taking*

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**COTTAGE:** *Multiple skills working together to function as an adept conversationalist (i.e. vocabulary, grammar, syntax, problem solving, articulation, fluency, processing, memory, mental health, executive functions)*

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*The Conversation Cottage can act as a Conversational Blueprint. It allows the Conversation Coach to get a quick snapshot look into the areas where an individual child is struggling; which may be of use when planning the intervention program.*

*Additional information about this teaching model can be made available upon request.*

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