

Ages and Stages

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6-18 months

Feeds self but is still messy
Not sharing
Points to body parts
Realizes things exist when they are out of sight
Says a few words
Uses gestures to get what's wanted
Is curious and gets into things
Walks alone
Dances to music
Places 10 cubes in a cup
Turns page of a book
Drinks from a cup
Imitates others
Begins to pretend play
Follows one command
Sings songs
Is reluctant to change
Throws a ball
Sits down from standing
Stacks 3-4 blocks
Scribbles

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1 ½-2 ½ years

Plays along with another child with enjoyment
At times, gets frustrated and bites, hits or pulls hair
Recognizes self and family in photograph
Understands today and soon but not yesterday
Names parts of the body
Points to at least one body part
Uses 2-4 word sentences
Shows fears and is able to settle
Demands own way for much of the time
Runs without falling
Walks backwards and sideways
Takes lids off jars
Completes simple inset puzzles
Walks upstairs alternating feet
Engages in pretend play
Repeats words
Follows simple directions
Is attached to cuddly or toy
Walks along a line
Climbs over furniture
Draws a vertical line



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2 ½-3 ½ years

Join in play with a group of peers
Show empathy if not overwhelmed
Asks what, where and who questions
Counts three objects
Understands and follows simple rules
Copies a circle from a drawing
Builds a tower of nine blocks
Completes easy puzzle
Uses five word sentences
Sorts objects by colour and size
Names one or more colours
Controls aggression and tantrums part time
Plays out adult roles in play
Catches a large ball with arms extended
Counts three objects
Shares toys

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3 ½-4 ½ years

Beginning to share and take turns
Enjoys games with rules
Enjoys dramatic play with others
Vocabulary of 2,000 words
Talks about imaginary things
Walks on tiptoe for three minutes
Moves to music
Enjoys throwing and catching
Asks questions with how and why
Matches pictures in lotto games
Counts to five
Talks about feelings like hunger, tiredness and illness
Draws a person with three parts
Names five colours
Understands nearest and longest
Sorts by colour and size



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