



All children grow and learn in their own way...

Use this guide to see what your child can do. If your child does not do some of the things listed for his or her age group or shows any of the early warning signs for seeing and hearing, you may want more information. Some children have special needs. Many children have physical or mental conditions which slow their normal growth and development. Fortunately, many of these conditions can be helped if parents recognize the problem early and get help. Failure to recognize and deal with a problem when a child is young may result in an unnecessary, more severe handicap.

6 Months	1 Year	2 Years	3 Years	4 Years	5 Years
Rolls from stomach to back	Sits without support	Walks well	Goes up steps two feet on a step	Walks up steps, one foot for each step	Hops and skips on one foot
Reaches for toy	Pulls to stand	Carries toy while walking	Walks on tiptoes	Picks up small object with ease	Marches in line
Transfers from one hand to other	Crawls on all fours	Speaks several words which are understandable and meaningful	Runs easily	Unbuttons buttons	Catches a ball with hands
Looks for noise made nearby	Understands the meaning of NO and BYE	Refers to self by name	Unwraps candy	Tells stories	Speaks clearly and can be understood by others not in the family
Makes sounds for specific reasons (hungry, wet, etc.)	Repeats sound made by others	Recognizes self in mirror	Names objects such as toys and food	Speaks in complete sentences, "I want a cookie."	Brushes teeth
Helps hold bottle while drinking	Feeds self cookies or crackers (may not be real)	Feeds self with spoon (may spill some)	Speaks in three word sentences, "Me go home."	Dresses self	Cares for all toilet needs
Plays with toes	Waves bye-bye	Drinks from a cup	Pulls off socks as part of undressing	Feeds self well	Follows two step directions, "go get the ball" and "throw it to me."
Pats mirror image	Shy with people he doesn't know	Plays with an adult (rolls ball to adult)	Is toilet trained.	Washes face and hands	Recognizes shapes
Puts everything into his mouth	Turns pages of a magazine or book (more than one at a time)	Builds a tower of four blocks	Shows interest in TV and radio	Gets along with other children	Copies a circle, square, triangle and a cross
Follows toys when held in front of his eyes and moved		Shows body parts (eyes, nose, foot) when asked	Helps adults by putting away toys and clothes (when told)	Imitates adults doing simple tasks	Recognizes coins
			Turns pages one at a time	Builds a tower of ten blocks	
			Recites nursery rhymes (Mary had a little lamb, etc.)	Copies a circle	
				Matches some objects and colors	