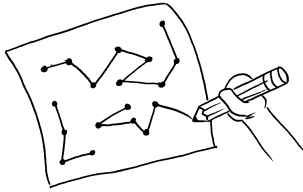


# Connect the Dots

Age: Toddlers (18-36 months)

This activity helps your child's development in this domain: Cognitive

## What You Need:



- A jumbo pencil, jumbo crayons, or washable markers
- Paper

## What To Do:

1. Ask your child to make dots in any color all over a sheet of paper.
2. Show him how to draw a line from one dot to another.
3. Ask him to start with one dot and draw a line to another one; keep doing this until all the dots are connected. Don't be concerned if the lines between the dots are not straight.

### Variation:

Draw several dots that will make a shape like a square when connected. Ask him to connect the dots and then describe the shape that results. Don't be surprised if he connects the dots in a different way than you expect. Praise him. Then show him how to connect the dots to make a shape. Count the number of dots or the number of lines that are on the paper. If you speak more than one language, count in a different language.



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