

Watching a Toy Go Out of Sight

Age: Explorer (8 - 18 months), Infants (0-8 months)

This activity helps your child's development in this domain: Social-Emotional, Cognitive

What You Need:



Nothing

What To Do:

1. Support your baby on your lap so that you can see his eyes. Hold a toy where his eyes are looking.
2. Move the toy slowly and notice the way he follows it with his eyes. After a few moments, give him the toy to play with while offering kisses and encouraging words. "You watched me move your rattle back and forth and up and down."
3. To keep his interest, change the directions of the moving object and by using different toys.
4. Choose a toy that makes noise and move it out of his sight after he has had success following a toy with his eyes.
5. Observe how he reacts when he can no longer see or hear the toy. Think of creative ways to make the toy disappear and reappear. The toy can hide under a blanket or shirt, peek behind a curtain, or sit under a hat.



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