



Your baby
deserves a
GOOD START
in life!

Babies have a lot
to learn, but not all
babies are learning
as well as they can.

Here are some examples of typical child development:

1-3 months

- able to suck and swallow
- startled by loud noise
- pays attention to faces nearby
- makes soft, throaty, gurgling sounds

3-4 months

- holds a rattle and shakes it
- holds head up well
- shows gains in height and weight
- smiles at familiar people

4-6 months

- reaches for and grasps objects
- moves toys from hand to hand
- rolls from tummy to back and back to tummy

6-9 months

- babbles and laughs out loud
- sits up without help
- plays peek-a-boo and pat-a-cake
- creeps or crawls forward on tummy by moving arms and legs

9-12 months

- pulls to a stand
- picks up small objects
- waves "bye-bye"
- points at something to draw your attention

12-15 months

- comes when called by name
- drinks from a cup
- takes turns rolling a ball with you
- shakes head to mean "No"

15-18 months

- looks at picture books
- likes to push, pull, and dump things
- tries to talk and repeat words
- walks without help
- nods head to mean "Yes"

18-24 months

- carries objects while walking
- uses 5 or 10 words
- gives hugs and kisses
- follows simple directions

24-30 months

- runs well, with few falls
- holds a crayon, likes to scribble
- can eat without help
- asks simple questions

30+ months

- helps with getting dressed
- walks up and down stairs
- sings simple songs
- understands right from wrong

If your baby or toddler is not yet doing most of the things expected for his or her age . . . help is available from the Connecticut Birth to Three System.

Call **1-800-505-7000** or visit **www.birth23.org** and click on "Referrals".

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