



# Is your child on track?

Know the warning signs for developmental delays.

## A Few Examples of What Most Babies Do at the Following Ages:

### Social/Emotional

- 6 Months - Knows familiar faces and begins to know if someone is a stranger
- 9 Months - May be clingy with familiar adults
- 12 Months - Has favorite things and people
- 18 Months - Plays simple pretend, such as feeding a doll

### Language/Communication

- 6 Months - Responds to sounds by making sounds
- 9 Months - Uses fingers to point at things
- 12 Months - Tries to say words you say
- 18 Months - Says and shakes head "No"

### Cognitive (Learning, thinking, problem-solving)

- 6 Months - Brings things to mouth
- 9 Months - Moves things smoothly from one hand to the other
- 12 Months - Explores things in different ways, like shaking, banging, throwing
- 18 Months - Knows what ordinary things are for; for example, telephone, brush, spoon

### Movement/Physical Development

- 6 Months - Begins to sit without support
- 9 Months - Crawls and can pull to stand
- 12 Months - May take a few steps without holding on
- 18 Months - Walks alone, may walk up steps and can run

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