

Hearing and Speech Developmental milestones

Your Baby's Hearing Checklist

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- Birth to 3 months*
- Blinks or jerks to loud noises.
 - Quiets and watches parents face when talked to.
 - Coos and gurgles.
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- 3 months to 6 months*
- Looks to see where sounds come from.
 - Likes rattles, noise-making toys.
 - Smiles and babbles when talked to.
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- 6 months to 9 months*
- Turns and looks at you when you talk.
 - Looks at right person when words “Mommy” and “Daddy” are said.
 - Uses sound (not crying) to get your attention.
 - Makes sounds like: da, ba, and ma.
 - Waves when you say “bye-bye” or stops for a minute when you say “no-no.”
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- 9 months to 12 months*
- Knows names of favorite toys and can point to them when asked.
 - Follows directions: (open your mouth, give me the ball).
 - “Dances” and makes sounds to music.
 - Makes “b,” “d,” “g,” “m,” and “n” sounds when “talking.”
 - Jabbers when being talked to, changing loudness of voice.
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- 12 months to 18 months*
- Points to body parts when asked.
 - Brings objects to you when asked.
 - Hears sounds coming from another room.
 - Gives one-word answers to questions.
 - Imitates new sounds and words.
 - Says 10-20 words.
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- 18 months to 24 months*
- Understands simple phrases like: “in the cup” and “under the table.”
 - Likes to be read to and points to pictures when asked.
 - Says own first name.
 - Says two word sentences: “my shoes,” “go bye-bye,” “more juice.”
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- 24 months to 30 months*
- Understands negatives like: “no more,” “not now.”
 - Picks out the “big” ball from the “little” ball.
 - Answers questions: What do you do when you are sleepy?
 - Says 100 to 200 words.
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- 30 months to 36 months*
- Understands uses of objects like: “Show me what goes on your foot.”
 - Understands the concept of ‘one’ and can hand you ‘one’ (1 ball or 1 cookie).
 - Knows boys from girls.
 - Can ask questions using “what,” “where,” etc. correctly.
 - Can tell you about something using four to five word sentences.