

Social, Emotional & Behavioral Checklist for Children Development (Sources: Warren Center, Texas, USA and others)

The discussion is for information purpose only and should never be used for diagnosis. Please consult a certified medical professional for diagnosis.

By 12 months

- 3 months At this point, your baby should enjoy playing with caregivers and may cry when play stops. However, they should be able to be calmed by their caregiver, as well as cuddle and relax when held. Your baby will communicate with face and body and may imitate your facial expressions.
- 7 months Your baby may respond to his or her name at this age, should respond to the emotions in your voice, and enjoy seeing his or her reflection in a mirror.
- 12 months By the end of the first year, your baby may start to be shy around strangers and show preferences for certain people and toys. They may also start exploring a variety of toys. Your baby may test your patience by refusing to eat. Your baby should be able to repeat some sounds and gestures.

By 24 months

At this age, your child will imitate the behavior of others, but also starts to recognize himself or herself as separate. They also like getting attention from others and will behave a certain way to get attention. Children by age 2 also typically are scared of strangers yet they show affection to familiar faces.



After 2 years ● During the toddler years, your child should start to enjoy the company of other children and look forward to playing with them. That being said, they are also often able to play by themselves. While there is still some clinginess to the caregiver, this has decreased.

After 3 years ● By the end of the third year, your child should be able to play simple games, take turns, and recognize concepts such as "yours" and "mine."



4 years - By the end of the fourth year, your child should play interactively with others, often assuming the role of "Mommy" or "Daddy." Play may start to involve fantasy and games that have made-up rules. Your child should have enough self-control to negotiate through conflicts.

5 years - By the end of the fifth year, your child may be concerned more about friends than Mommy and Daddy and know the difference between boys and girls. Your child should enjoy activities such as singing, dancing, and acting.