

## TOYS TO MATCH A CHILD'S DEVELOPMENTAL SKILLS

Here is a general guideline to age appropriate learning toys. Keep in mind that each child develops at their own pace. Age brackets may vary.

<b><u>Age</u></b>	<b><u>DEVELOPMENTAL STAGE</u></b>	<b><u>TYPE OF TOYS</u></b>
0-2 months	Settling and seeing	Toys to look at Toys to listen to
3-7 months	Discovering hands Refining movement Mouth exploration	Toys to bat at Toys to grasp and handle
8-12 months	Exploration	Busy boxes In and out toys Balls Banging toys
12-18 months	Active	Push toys Pull toys Pounding toys Balls Musical Beginning books
18-36 months	Manipulation of things and people	Stacking toys Music toys and tapes Beginning creative play Picture lotto Early construction toys Books Puzzles
3-5 years	Imagination and social play	Construction toys Early games Music toys and tapes Craft materials Books Play sets Puzzles
School age	Learning a role in society	Games Science materials Craft materials Puzzles Books Construction toys