

Play to Learn

Allowing your child to play is a must! A healthy balance between children playing on their own and having structured play with parents is important for early learning and development.

Build a fun foundation for learning with these activities.



Choose books with several different textures, shapes, and items that your baby can hold and touch.

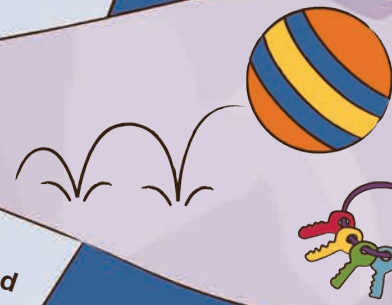


Describe and compare objects for your baby.



Apples are red. This one is bigger than that one.

Show your child that objects can behave in surprising ways.



Allow your 8-month-old to see what happens when you roll a toy off of a table or jiggle your keys.

Ask your child open-ended questions while reading.



Why do you think the lion is running?

Count objects you see with your child.



How many blocks do you see?

One, two, three!

There are three blocks total!

Use blocks and puzzles to help your toddler learn about shapes and how they fit together.



Play "I spy..." with colors, numbers, and shapes.

I spy two purple flowers!



Introduce memory cards to your 2-year-old.



Play board games with game pieces that you move along a pathway by counting spaces.

