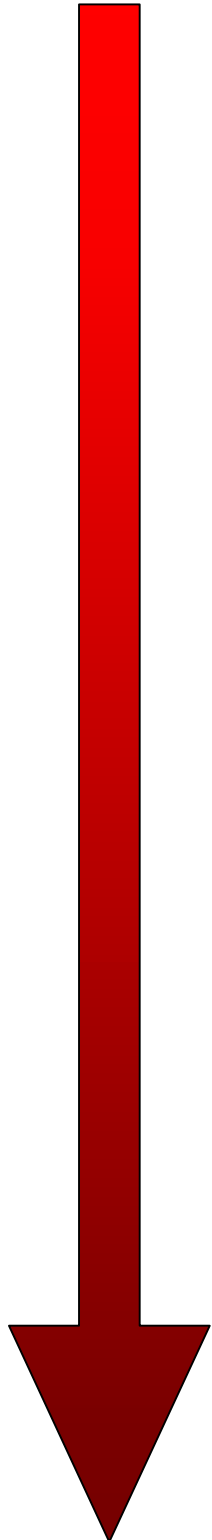


Baby Can List*

From five to nine months, some new things baby can do:

FIVE MONTHS



- look for things dropped
- uncover hidden things
- drop things on purpose
- hold a bottle *
- play with paper
- play with things by hanging them together
- sit in a highchair
- change something from one hand to the other
- eat some solid foods
- reach out with one hand to pick something up
- sit without support
- support some weight when held in a standing position
- babble a string of sounds
- get into a sitting position
- begin to copy a few familiar sounds
- rock on hands and knees
- copy some familiar actions
- make noise with things on purpose
- pick up small things and put into mouth
- feed self finger foods
- babble to show wants
- copy new sounds you make
- take things out of containers
- look at pictures when named
- pick up, push, or shove large things
- pull a string

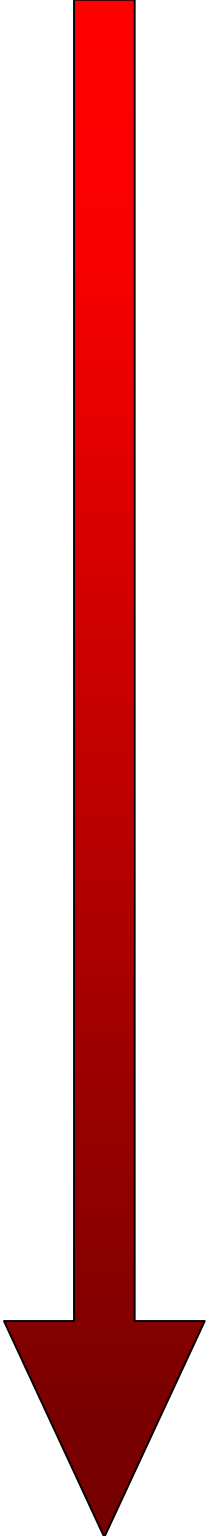
* Make sure to hold and cuddle baby even when he can hold his own bottle. He needs your warmth and love. And remember - don't put baby to bed with a bottle. This can lead to ear infections, choking, or tooth decay.

NINE MONTHS

Baby Can List*

From nine to twelve months, some new things baby can do are

NINE MONTHS

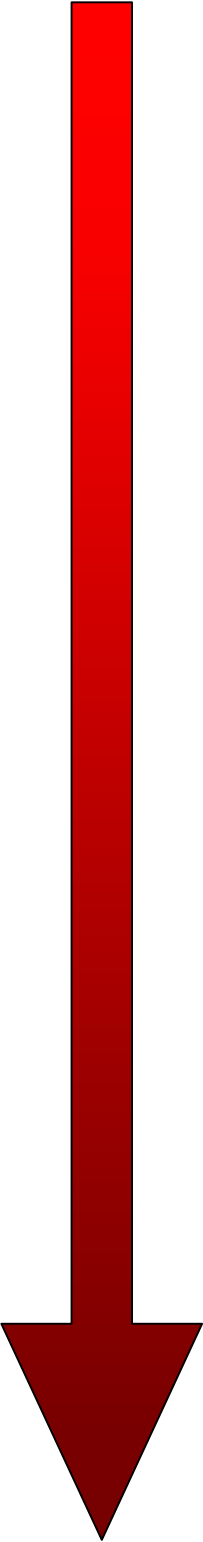
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- understand familiar words
 - pull up to stand but not get down
 - explore what is in a container
 - drop things into a small opening or container
 - wave bye-bye
 - crawl, scoot, creep, or move well from one place to another
 - crawl while holding something
 - follow a few simple directions
 - point at holes with pointing finger
 - look at pictures in a book
 - begin to stoop
 - try to roll a ball
 - babble as if speaking a sentence or asking a question
 - tear paper
 - say a few words, but not perfectly
 - copy new gestures
 - turn a few pages in a hard-page book
 - begin to scribble
 - roll or push a ball
 - spend longer doing one thing than she used to
 - make a stack of two blocks
 - show interest in things farther away than he used to
 - help pull off simple clothing
 - fit one thing into another
 - know where familiar things are kept

TWELVE MONTHS

Ones Can List*

From 12 to 18 months, some things Ones can do:

12 MONTHS



- move around the room
- copy a few simple sounds or actions
- use some gestures, such as waving
- understand a few words
- play simple pretend games
- put something in and take it out of a container
- move to music
- use one-word sentences
- play simple musical instruments
- hand a toy to someone
- help dress and undress
- roll a ball
- use some words correctly; such as "momma," "oh oh," or "no"
- enjoy looking at books
- get a ball that rolls out of sight
- enjoy doing the same thing over and over
- walk upstairs with help
- feel difference in temperature, taste, smell
- try to sing songs
- enjoy messy play, such as finger painting
- point or name familiar things
- hug and kiss people they like
- recognize self in mirror
- stack two or more things
- drink from a cup
- turn two or three pages at a time
- understand many words and simple directions
- try to kick a ball
- match same toys
- push, pull, or carry toy while walking
- put up to six large round pegs into a peg board
- use a spoon to scoop

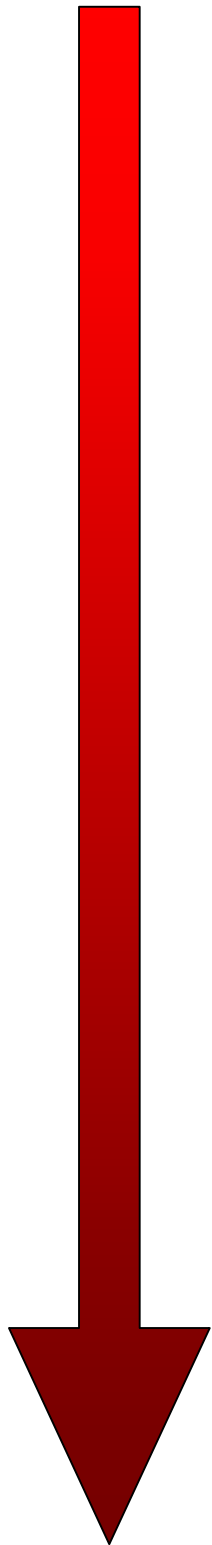


18 MONTHS

Ones Can List*

From 18 to 24 months, some things Ones can do are

18 MONTHS



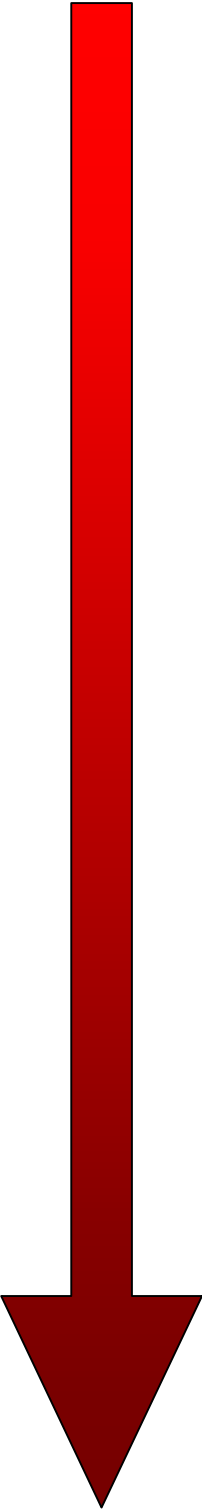
- Throw a ball
- Try to walk or down steps
- Show many emotions
- Enjoy nursery rhymes, songs, and finger plays
- Chew food well
- Zip and unzip easy zippers
- Copy housework
- Point to up to five body parts
- Feel frustrated easily
- Use play dough, paint, paper
- Ride a small riding toy without pedals
- Turn familiar pictures right side up
- Use his or her own name
- Walk on a wide balance board
- Try to balance on one foot
- Wash and dry hands with help
- Listen to a short story
- String large beads
- Say two-word sentences
- Unwrap packages or peel a banana, once started
- Use words that tell what people or things do
- Use words that tell about people and things
- Match sounds to animals
- Run fast
- Recognize self in photograph
- Try to comfort others
- Turn one page at a time
- Try to copy folding
- Enjoy water and sand play
- Do a one-to-three piece puzzle or foam board
- Match pictures to real things
- Copy four words you say
- Try to jump in place
- Sing some words to songs

24 MONTHS

TWOS CAN LIST*

From 24 to 36 months, some things Twos can do are

24 Months

- 
- Play near another child
 - Move to music and play simple instruments
 - Enjoy sand and water
 - Remember where things are kept
 - Look at picture books on their own
 - Pretend play with things they know about
 - Scribble w/ large watercolor markers or crayons / uses brushes paints
 - Sing or say parts of easy songs and rhymes
 - Put tiny things into a tiny opening
 - Do very easy picture or shape puzzles
 - Throw a ball and kick a large ball
 - Listen to a five-minute story with pictures
 - Build a 2 to 4 block train
 - Stack 3 to 6 cubes when shown how
 - Help put things away
 - Use big beads and pegs
 - Talk in 3 word sentences
 - Nest a few blocks or stack rings in right order when shown how
 - Say who own something
 - Know use of familiar things
 - Match familiar things to sounds or pictures when asked
 - Point to a picture that shows an action you name
 - Tell which is "one" or "many," "big" or "little" when asked
 - Answer easy questions about what, how, where, or why
 - Walk up and down stairs
 - Use 50 or more words
 - Copy matching a circle, triangle, or square when shown how
 - Catch a large ball thrown from very close
 - Jump on two feet in place
 - Walk backwards
 - Begin to snip with safe scissors with help
 - Get dressed with help

36 Months

Threes Can List

From 36 to 42 months, some things Threes can do:

36 MONTHS

- Begin to take turns and try to share
- Play with another child
- Sing simple songs
- Talk in short sentences
- Run around corners and things in their path
- Count two or three things
- Use simple art materials
- Stack up to nine blocks or inch cubes
- Tell a little about what they are doing
- Play very easy circle games
- Do easy picture matching
- Kick a ball; throw a ball 10 feet
- Balance on one foot for a second
- Show or tell use of something
- Put blocks in a row; make three block bridge
- Put on and take off most clothes
- Do simple matching: colors, shapes, real things to outlines
- Know when to wear familiar clothes
- Match one to one
- Help tell a story
- Walk up stairs, alternating feet
- Use fingers to show age
- put together two halves to make a whole
- balance and walk on a 5" – wide board
- use some words that tell "where" (*up, down, in or out*)
- try to copy simple shapes
- do an easy five-to-ten-piece puzzle
- Tell a little about things they make
- Talk about things they have just done
- Begin to pedal a tricycle
- Catch a big ball bounced from three feet away
- Talk about their scribbles or drawings when asked



42 MONTHS

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Threes Can List

From 42 to 48 months, some things Threes can do

42 MONTHS

- Take part in short group time
- tell about something they have done
- talk to friends while playing
- do a five-to-ten-piece puzzle
- point to a color or shape you name
- talk about some things they will do
- copy counting to 10
- screw a lid on a jar
- try to trace over simple designs and around simple objects
- recognize some opposites
- hop on one foot
- do simple block building
- do simple comparing
- count three or more things
- play simple guessing games
- balance on one foot for five seconds
- begin to do a forward somersault
- walk heel to toe
- give simple reasons
- tell how to do some things
- Understand *same/different*
- Know names of familiar rooms and furniture
- Close a space with four blocks
- match simple bead or block patterns
- trace a cross and diamond
- begin to pump on a swing
- do easy sorting, by one characteristic, with adult help
- name two or three colors or shapes
- put three things in order, such as hard to soft, full to empty



48 MONTHS

Fours Can List

From 48 to 54 months, some things Fours can do

48 MONTHS

- Stand on one foot for ten seconds
- Name three shapes
- Use many words (more than 1500)
- Remember some thing seen in a picture or in a group objects
- Ask lots of questions
- Test adult limits frequently
- Enjoy playing with the other children more than playing alone
- Walk on the balance beam
- Ask for help when needed
- Tell what their artwork is
- Repeat rhymes, songs, or dances
- Get dresses without much help
- Jump backward
- Try to imitate someone who draws a square
- Draw a person with three parts
- Know some prepositions, such as *in front of*, *under*, *behind*, or *on top of*
- Walk downstairs, alternating feet
- Recognize some colors
- Catch a bounced ball
- Play alone for 20-30 minutes
- Know the name of a penny, nickel, and dime
- Fasten buttons quite well
- Eat well with fork, cut easy foods with knife
- Usually stay dry through the night
- Catch a small ball with two hands
- Jump over things
- Recognize own name in print

54 MONTHS



Fours Can List

From 54 to 60 months, some things Fours can do:

54 MONTHS

- Hop on one foot at least five times
- Cut out a big circle
- Tell you what some words mean
- Brush teeth quite well
- Draw a person with six parts
- Ask permission to use things the belong to others
- Do well in small groups of three or four
- Lace shoes
- Show correct number of objects, up to five
- Taunt others by calling names
- Play cooperatively in small groups often
- Say "I'm sorry" to others
- Do a somersault
- Behave well in public most of time
- Tell the opposite of some words
- Tell a familiar story
- Tell the color of many things
- Give understandable home address
- Draw some simple things we can recognize
- Take part in a large group for a short time
- Cut and paste simple shapes
- Say when a sound is loud and soft
- Say whether two words rhyme
- Usually manage all toileting skills alone
- Use four or five words in a sentence
- Count to ten
- Recognize a few printed words
- Tell on others who do naughty things
- Jump over knee-high obstacles with both feet together
- Print own name but not clearly
- Print a few capital letters



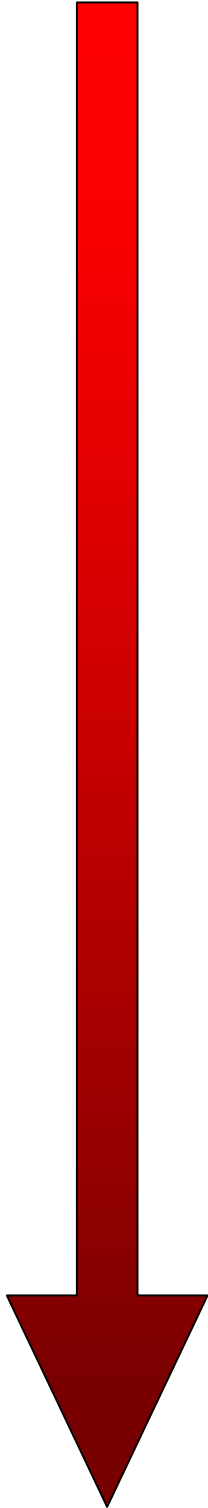
60 MONTHS

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Fives Can List

From 60 to 66 months, some things Fives can do:

60 MONTHS



- Get along well in small groups
- Try to catch a small ball with two hands
- Have an idea for artwork before beginning to create
- Like to play house and baby
- Eat well with a fork, cut with a knife
- Print name, but not too clearly
- Hear the beginning sound of words, like “d” in dog
- Ask for adult help only when needed
- Know colors and color names well
- Answer the telephone and call correct person to telephone
- Begin to tell one letter from another
- Enjoy shapes and do shapes puzzles well
- Say numbers from 1 to 20
- Understand place words (on top of, over, under)
- Build complex block buildings
- Draw person with head, body, legs, arms, and other parts
- Enjoy exploring the neighborhood
- Choose friends
- Handle toileting by self, usually dry through the night
- Listen well to a story read to a large group of children
- Cooperate quite well with friends
- Make up rhyming words
- Comfort friends who are upset
- Sort things in different ways, usually by color
- Understand size—which things are biggest, tallest, and so on
- Brush or comb hair quite well
- Begin to understand clocks and time
- Use classroom tools appropriately
- Skip well



66 MONTHS

Fives Can List

From 66 to 72 months, some things Fives can do

66 MONTHS

- Use time words (morning, night) to tell when things happen
- Hop in a straight line for about six feet
- Have best friends, but change friends often
- Confuse some similar words, such as *ask* and *tell*
- Begin to understand money and how it is used
- Begin to jump rope
- Prefer to use either left or right hand
- Tell a story from a picture book very well
- Begin to know what a rule and thermometer are used for
- Know when something is cut in half, thirds, or quarters
- Bathe self, but still need help to be sure all parts are washed
- Cut well with scissors
- Protect younger children and pets
- Name feelings that others are having
- Tell left shoes from right shoes
- Make only a few mistakes when speaking
- Write some numbers and tell their names
- Play easy table games (checkers, lotto) with a friend and often follow rules
- Draw most easy shapes
- Count things quite well
- Name most uppercase but not most lowercase letters
- Dress and undress well alone
- Say numbers above 20
- Read a few words
- Usually tell one letter from another
- Use long sentences, tying thoughts together
- Write some, but not all, letters of the alphabet
- Catch a small ball with two hands quite well
- Do very easy adding using 1, 2, 3, 4 (1+1, 2+3)
- Share secrets with friends that are not shared with adults



72 MONTHS