

15 MONTH MILESTONES

Gross Motor

1. Walks alone: feet wide apart, arms slightly flexed and held above head or at shoulder-level for balance.
2. Starts voluntarily but frequently stopped by falling or bumping in to furniture.
3. Lets himself down from standing to sitting by collapsing backwards with a bump.
4. Creeps upstairs safely, gets downstairs backwards, slowly.
5. Knees unaided.

Vision and Fine Movements

1. Picks up with precise pincer grasp.
2. Manipulates cubes: builds tower of two cubes.
3. Grasps crayon in palmar grasp and imitates to and fro scribble after demonstration.
4. Interest in book.
5. Demands desired objects out of his reach by finger-pointing.

Hearing and Speech

1. Jabbers loudly and freely.
2. Speaks 2-6 or more recognisable words.
3. Communicates wishes and needs at table by pointing and vocalising. Points to familiar persons, animals, toys etc. when requested. Definition-by-use of common objects.
4. Understands and obeys simple instructions (eg 'Don't touch', 'Come for dinner', 'Give me the ball').

Social Behaviour and Play

1. Holds and drinks from cup.
2. Holds spoon, brings it to mouth and licks it.
3. Chews well.
4. Helps with dressing.
5. Indicates when he has wet or soiled his pants.
6. Pushes large wheeled toy.
7. Explores properties and possibilities of toys.
8. Seldom takes toys to mouth.
9. Casts objects to floor in play rejection.
10. Physically restless and intensely curious.
11. Emotionally labile.
12. Needs constant supervision.