

Social-Emotional Development at 18 Months



- Your toddler is generally happy and smiles at people, including other children.
- Your toddler likes to talk and is using more words every day.
- Your toddler likes to show affection and give hugs and kisses.
- Your toddler is showing different emotions such as fear, sympathy, modesty, guilt, or embarrassment.
- Your toddler likes to do things by himself. He may seem stubborn, but this is normal.
- Your toddler likes to help with simple household tasks.
- Your toddler turns to you for help when she is in trouble.
- Your toddler enjoys playing near other children but not with them yet.
- Your toddler may hand toys to other children, but he does not understand how to share and wants the toys right back.
- Your toddler can play by herself for short periods of time.
- Your toddler has specific likes and dislikes.
- Your toddler likes to say, "No!" He may have a quick temper and sometimes hits when frustrated.
- Your toddler loves to be held and read to and becomes upset when separated from you.
- Your toddler loves to imitate others.
- Your toddler likes to be the center of attention.
- Your toddler recognizes herself in pictures or mirrors.