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Play Guide



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13-15 months

About This Box

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You're a pro at this by now. This might be one of my favorite boxes because of the mixture of toys and developmental focuses. It's also a point where you might see that your little one is more interested in some independent play. Don't forget it's okay to step in and out of their playtime to encourage that independence.

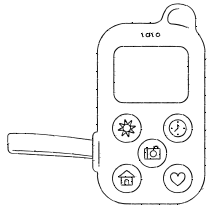
What They'll Learn

LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT

FINE MOTOR SKILLS

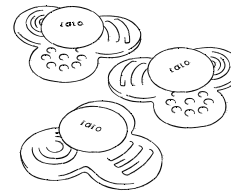
COGNITIVE DEVELOPMENT

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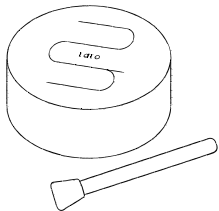
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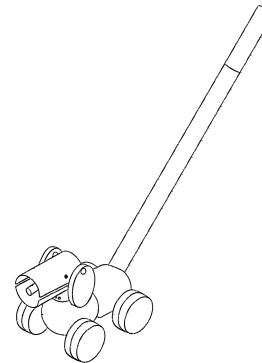
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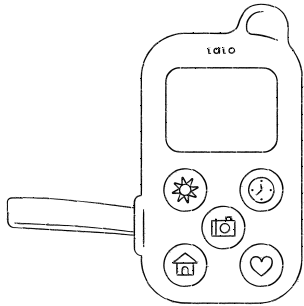
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Mini Phone

The Mini Phone supports language and motor skill development through engaging pretend play. If your toddler often reaches for your phone to take a call, they'll love having their own device to chat on!

Developmental Benefits

VOCABULARY DEVELOPMENT
HAND-EYE COORDINATION
SENSE OF SELF
PRETEND PLAY
VISUAL TRACKING

How To Use It Now

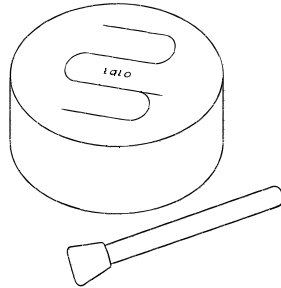
1. Hand the phone to your toddler, allowing them to hold it independently. Encourage your little to press buttons and explore. They might even put the phone to their ear and start chatting!
2. Integrate the phone into your toddler's daily activities. During diaper changes or stroller rides, hand your little the toy and encourage them to press the buttons. Offering play opportunities in routine moments helps your child feel more inclined to play independently.
3. Pretend to text and talk on the phone. Hand it over to your toddler, saying "'It's for you!'" Hold conversations or press the buttons, using language like, "Who is it?" and "Hello! Bye-bye!" Your little will love repeating you and incorporating their own speech, too.
4. Show your toddler the phone's built-in magnification feature. Hold it over your eye, encouraging them to do the same. Say, "Wow!" when your little looks through the screen, creating excitement around looking at their surroundings in a new way.

How To Use It Later

1. Around 20 months old, encourage your toddler to role-play using the phone in different scenarios. Pretend to call grandma or text their favorite cartoon character. These activities build social and communication skills.
2. Around 2 years old, explore the magnification feature in new ways. Ask your toddler to look through the screen and find objects with different textures, shapes, colors, or sizes. When found, encourage your little to examine their discovery up close. This activity builds their visual and observation skills.

Wooden Drum

The Wooden Drum offers a variety of activities to develop your toddler's skills. The toy promotes motor, auditory, cognitive, social, sensory, emotional, and creative development. Making it a great addition to your little's playtime collection.



Developmental Benefits

HAND-EYE COORDINATION
CAUSE AND EFFECT
AUDITORY SKILLS
TACTILE EXPLORATION
BALANCE

How To Use It Now

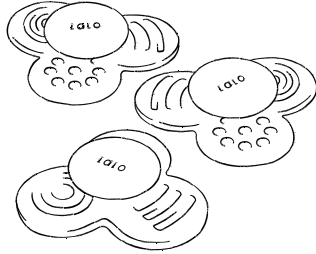
1. Gently tap the drum with your hands or provided stick. Encourage your toddler to mirror your motion, exploring the different sounds they can create.
2. Sing along to your toddler's favorite tune, encouraging them to tap the drum to the song's beat. This activity supports their developing sense of rhythm and listening skills.
3. Tap a simple beat on the drum, encouraging your toddler to repeat after you. Gradually increase the complexity of the beat as your little masters the motion. This activity promotes auditory memory, pattern recognition, and imitation skills.

How To Use It Later

1. Encourage your toddler to dance to the beat they create. This activity supports gross motor development, balance, and coordination.
2. Take turns with your little one, alternating playing the drum. You can also make a beat together, encouraging both turn-taking and cooperation.

Suction Spinners

The Suction Spinners offer a fun and interactive way to boost your toddler's cognitive and motor development. Their captivating spinning motion sparks imagination and curiosity in your little one. Designed for easy carrying, bring this toy on the go for playtime anytime, anywhere.



Developmental Benefits

HAND-EYE COORDINATION
CAUSE AND EFFECT
VOCABULARY DEVELOPMENT
COMPREHENSION

How To Use It Now

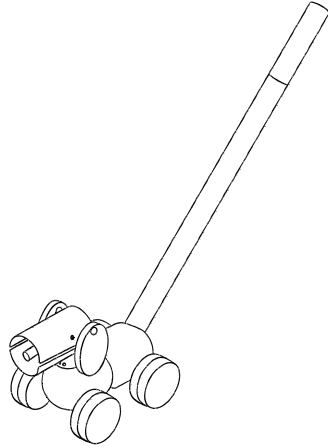
1. Suction the spinners to various surfaces like a high chair, the floor, or a window. Encourage your toddler to touch and explore the surface textures while the toy spins. Show them how to make the spinners move with their hands, creating delight as they go faster and faster!
2. Bring the spinners on outings to restaurants, friends' homes, or during airplane travel. The toy's suction cup secures to surfaces for easy exploration, making it ideal for engaging play in many environments. Spinning the toy supports developing fine motor skills and hand-eye coordination while providing a fun distraction in unfamiliar places.
3. While your toddler plays with the spinners, describe what's happening by saying, "Spin," "Fast," and "Slow." Encourage them to repeat after you, expanding their vocabulary and improving their language comprehension.
4. Attach the spinners to the child-safe mirror from The Play Gym. Your toddler will be fascinated by the toy's movement and their reflection. This activity supports developing self-awareness and spatial reasoning.

How To Use It Later

1. Around 17 months, play music with different tempos, encouraging your toddler to spin the toy in time with the beat. This activity supports auditory processing skills, develops your little's sense of rhythm, and encourages an appreciation for music.
2. Around 20 months, take turns with your toddler spinning the spinners. Use language like "Wait," "My turn," and, "Your turn" as verbal cues during play. This activity supports social skills, turn-taking, and cooperation.

Push and Pull Puppy

The Push and Pull Puppy offers 3-in-1 play as a rolling, pull, and push toy. With a detachable handle and leash, this toy enhances your toddler's motor skills, balance, and coordination through engaging, dynamic play. Your little will love their new friend!



Developmental Benefits

GRASPING AND RELEASING
HAND-EYE COORDINATION
BALANCE
INDEPENDENT PLAY
PRETEND PLAY

How To Use It Now

1. Begin by playing with the puppy alongside your toddler. Encourage them to touch and explore their new pup. Gently roll or pull the toy towards your little, letting them take the lead in how they want to interact with the puppy.
2. When your toddler has had time to pull the puppy by the leash and roll it on the ground, introduce the toy's handle. Attach it to the puppy, pushing the toy toward your little. They'll work on balance and coordination while walking and holding the handle.
3. Give your toddler space to play independently. Provide support as needed, allowing them to explore and experiment with their new puppy friend. Your little one will gain confidence and feel accomplished as they learn to navigate the toy by themselves.

How To Use It Later

1. Around 18 months old, set up a simple obstacle course with cushions, boxes, or toys for your child to navigate while pushing or pulling the puppy. This activity is tons of fun and promotes problem-solving, spatial awareness, and motor skill development.
2. Around 18 months old, take the puppy for a walk outside. Encourage your toddler to navigate various surfaces like grass and pavement. Talk to your little about what the ground might feel like for the puppy. Introduce words like "bumpy" and "smooth" to describe the ground's textures.

Now, go *play!*

