







LARGE 20-31 lbs (9-14 kg)

YOUR BABY'S LANGUAGE is developing each day, as they can now connect words to objects.

They probably know a variety of animals and their names or sounds, and may have spoken their first word. Sometime between eighteen and twenty-four months, your baby will begin forming two to four-word sentences.

Even during a simple (or sometimes not so simple) diaper change, you and your baby are connecting. This necessary activity can be a great time to deepen the bond between the two of you. Following are some 'smart tips' to help stimulate your baby's brain development during diaper changes.

CHOOSE AN ANIMAL on your baby's diaper and ask its name. They may already know a variety of animals and are eager to learn more.

POINT TO AN ANIMAL on your baby's diaper and ask what sound it makes. "Dog goes woof, cat goes meow, hedgehog goes..." Have fun with it!

IMITATE THE ANIMAL SOUNDS with matching gestures for fun. Use your arm to mimic an elephant's trunk and your hands to make bunny ears.

ASK WHERE each animal lives. Talk to your baby about different environments. They're learning so many things so quickly now.

INTRODUCE A NEW LANGUAGE. Is your baby bilingual? This is a great time to teach alternative words for the animals on your baby's diaper.

SING A SONG ABOUT ANIMALS. Insert the animals from your baby's diaper into Old MacDonald's Farm for a fun sing-along.

CREATE A DIVERSION. A special stash of toys or board books can help distract your baby while you handle their business. Your baby is physically stronger now, so you could use a few tricks to deal with the extra wiggles.

POINT TO TWO ANIMALS on your baby's diaper. Ask them which one is bigger. This will help teach your baby about size differentiation.

ASK YOUR BABY what their favorite animal is and tell them what yours is. Conversational skills are already in motion.

LET YOUR BABY boop your nose. Allow them to be playful, while teaching them to be gentle.

REMIND YOURSELF that you are doing a phenomenal job. Your baby is thriving because of all your special care.

ASK YOUR BABY where their head is. Ask your baby where their nose is. Make a game out of learning about their body.

REVISIT PEEK-A-BOO. This time, conceal a toy and let your baby reveal it.

TICKLE YOUR BABY'S FEET and tummy. Laughter and playfulness can distract from a sore tushy.

TALK ABOUT WHAT YOU DID TOGETHER.

Let your baby practice remembering events and people.

DISCUSS WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO DO LATER.

Let your baby practice anticipating events and people.

SAY "I LOVE YOU" and give your baby a kiss. This moment, right now, is precious.

SHOW YOUR BABY PICTURES of family or friends and have them name each person.

ASK YOUR BABY IF IT'S DAYTIME OR NIGHTTIME.

Talk about daily activities, and when they typically happen. Your baby is learning daily routines that revolve around the time of day.

TELL YOUR BABY "THANK YOU" because it's all about teamwork.