

0-3 months	4-6 months	7-9 months	10-12 months	13-18 months
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Coos ✓ Makes gurgling sounds ✓ Cries to express needs ▶ No vocalizations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Begins babbling ✓ Uses sounds like 'ba', 'ma', 'ga' ✓ Experiments with vocalizations ▶ No babbling or vocal play ▶ No varied sounds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Babbling is more complex ✓ Tries to imitate sounds ▶ No babbling ▶ No attempts to imitate sounds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Babbling with varied syllables ✓ May imitate simple words ▶ No babbling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Vocalizations more speech-like ✓ Combining different sounds ▶ No varied speech ▶ Uses the same few sounds
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ No true words yet ▶ No early babbling by 3 months 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ No true words yet ▶ Limited or no vocalizations ▶ No attempt to imitate sounds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Says simple words (i.e., mama, dada) with no meaning ✓ Lots of vocal play ▶ No vocal imitation ▶ No use of consonant sounds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Says 1-3 words ✓ Words have meaning ▶ No real words by 12 months ▶ No attempts to imitate speech 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Has 20+ words ✓ Starts combining 2-word phrases ▶ < 20 words by 18 months ▶ No word combinations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Startles to loud sounds ✓ Recognizes familiar voices ✓ Quiets when spoken to ▶ No response to sounds ▶ Not recognizing or turning towards familiar voices 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Responds to changes in tone of voice ✓ Enjoys music or rhythmic sound ▶ No reaction to loud or unexpected sounds ▶ No response to changes in voice tone 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Responds to own name ✓ Understands "no" and intonation changes ✓ Listens to conversations ▶ No response to name or simple commands ▶ Not interested in sounds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Understands simple words and commands ✓ Begins to associate words with objects or people ▶ No response to simple commands or familiar words 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Understands names of familiar objects ✓ Follows simple directions ▶ Not understanding simple directions ▶ Not pointing to named objects
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Smiles at people ✓ Develops an interest in faces ▶ No smiling ▶ No interest in social interaction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Enjoys social play (i.e., peek-a-boo) ✓ Recognizes familiar faces ✓ Show preferences for familiar people ▶ No reaction to familiar people ▶ Little interest in social play 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Shows more interest in social games ✓ May start to show anxiety around strangers ✓ Enjoys interacting with caregivers ▶ No signs of stranger anxiety ▶ No engagement in back-and-forth social games 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Engages in joint attention ✓ Waves "bye-bye" ✓ Enjoys playing interactive games (i.e., pat-a-cake) ▶ No interest in social interaction ▶ No engagement in joint attention 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Begins to show empathy (i.e., looks concerned when someone is upset) ✓ Follows simple routines ▶ No interest in social routines ▶ Difficulty engaging with others
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Sucks and swallows well during breast or bottle feeding ✓ Shows hunger (crying or rooting) ▶ Difficulty sucking ▶ Weak cry ▶ Lack of hunger cues 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Shows interest in solid foods ✓ Can use tongue to move food to the back of the mouth ▶ Difficulty moving food in the mouth ▶ Choking or gagging often ▶ Not showing interest in eating 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Begins self-feeding with fingers ✓ Can hold a cup with help ✓ Able to chew soft foods ▶ Refusal to try new textures ▶ Difficulty handling soft foods 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Can eat finger foods ✓ Starts to drink from a cup independently ▶ Difficulty transitioning to solid foods ▶ Unable to chew food well 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Uses a spoon with help ✓ Drinks from a cup with less spilling ✓ Shows food preferences ▶ Difficulty using utensils ▶ Choking or gagging often ▶ Overly picky eating

