

Play is the key way children learn about themselves, others and the world they live in. It is essential to their learning, development, health, and physical, mental and social well-being – and it's FUN! Play provides the building blocks to be ready for school.



Puppets

Babies love the different types of interaction they have with you when you're using puppets.

Did you know?

Puppets provide visual stimulation for your baby and will help to develop their eye movements (visual tracking).

Add language

Your different facial expressions and tones of voice will delight your baby and begin to open up their world of language and social interaction.

Keep your sentences short and pause to give your baby a chance to take a conversational turn (this may just be reaching out or making a noise).

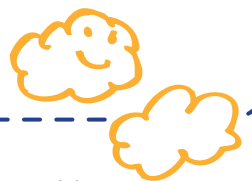
Try to keep the conversation going back and forth for several turns.

Other development

Babies will also love exploring the feel of different puppets. Touching a range of textures is helpful as your baby's sensory system develops.

Safety

Be sure to check there are no small parts that can come loose if your baby starts exploring with their mouth.



- 📖 Playgroup WA has a treasure trove of play activities for babies, toddlers and 3-5 year olds, for home and playgroup. These play activities cover a balanced diet of play across sensory, movement, language and thinking skill areas.

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