

13 Months

Affect

Lots of smiling and social give and take
Indiscriminate affection

15 Months

Walks by self

Can poise one cube over another and release it with sufficient neatness to build a tower.

If a pellet is placed nearby, he responds with immediate spontaneity by picking it up and will drop it into a bottle if placed nearby.

Indicates wants by pointing and grunting

“Dart and dash and fling” age - behavior pattern seems to lose its harmony and equilibrium

To and fro rapport is superseded by one-way behavior

Ceaselessly active with brief bursts of locomotion, starting, stopping, starting again. Climbing and clattering. When confined to a playpen, likely to pick up every toy and throw it outside, looking to see where the object falls when it falls.

Some, whose gross motor drive is strong, fuss to get out of their stroller after 15-30 minutes and wish to push the stroller themselves. Hour's ride is enough.

Affect

Demanding, assertive, independent

Eager to go out into the world in or with his stroller

Likes to overturn wastebaskets, pull off shoes.

Not in good emotional equilibrium

Discriminates against almost everyone

Does not get on well with people

Shy period usually passed

Assertion/Anger

Throws objects

Demands to do things himself, pulls free from adult grasp

Anger chiefly aroused by interference with his physical activity

Fears/Worries

Seeing parent depart

12-18 Months

Vocalizations

Continues or decreases above (Child engrossed in exploring environment and learning to walk)

Response to Sounds

Executes simple commands, involving familiar objects

Points to indicate wants