

18-24 Months

Expressive Language

Excessive jargon used for communication

Seldom repeats

Vocal play appears usually when alone

Echolalia: words and phrases

Vocabulary at 18 Months: 22 Words

Receptive Language

Points to familiar pictures

Responds to "Give me that," "Sit down," with gestures

Can point to: nose, eyes, hair, mouth

24 Months/2 Years

Motion

Beginning to want to do things for self, such as feed/undress self

Can turn the pages of a book singly

Sees and reaches out at same time

Locates pictures in a picture book

Manipulates one hand, then alternates to the other hand

Can pull on a garment

Can take off shoes, socks, pants - dawdles because he is not well coordinated

Can keep a spoon right side up as puts it into mouth

Uses spoon to feed self with little spilling

Spends a good bit of time absorbed in gazing; concentrates interest in small areas

Interest is in present - future is dim

Attention span is 2 to 3 minutes, yet he may find it hard to shift to another activity

Fits nested block together

Builds blocks into small towers

Builds a tower of at least 4 blocks or cubes

Builds a tower of 5 or 6 cubes, but can't rearrange them in a horizontal row to build a wall

Kicks a ball forward

Backs up to chair to sit down

Climb steps 1 foot at a time

Can ride a tricycle

Can kick a ball, throw a ball, and catch with arms

Can run, pull, push, drag, squat, clap in rhythm

Residual stagger in walk

Walks upstairs well without help, but may hold on to rail

Walks up and down stairs holding rail

Walk is more sedate

Runs

Runs without falling, but can't slow down or turn sharp corners

Delights in the grosser forms of muscular activity - romping, rough and tumble play