

9 Months

Says "Mama" or "Dada"

Vocalizations

Pitch variation and higher pitch level yelling - for attention

Increases babbling

First imitation of words: "mama", etc.

Response to Sound

Recognizes few familiar words

Looks in direction of named object

Responds to "bye-bye"

Understands "no"

Responds to name

10 Months

Pulls self up to standing position at the side of his crib or playpen

Now resents the supine position except for sleeping.

Rolls over and sits up.

Sits up easily

Pulls to standing, crawls, creeps

Special interest in vertical surfaces - by which pulls self to feet.

Can creep, tending to keep head erect and eyes front while doing so.

Can sit alone. Can stand without support.

Motor control is advancing. Grasps at a string on a table with prompt, precise pincer prehension.

Pokes, pries, palpates with extended index finger.

Pat-a-cakes

Likes a carriage ride in the late morning or early afternoon, depending on nap time.

Uses thumb and index fingers

Puts spoon into cup, plays pat-a-cake, rolls ball

Likes to play with adults

Affect

Smiles when watching or participating in nursery tricks

Enjoys peek-a-boo, lip play (pulling his lips to induce singing), walking with both hands held, "where's the baby"

Distinguishes more sharply between familiars and strangers.

Shy with strangers

Particularly afraid of a strange voice.

Most smiling and affectionate with family group

Likes to be with the family group.

Imitates gestures, facial expression, and sounds

Heeds "No, no"

Echoes "Ma ma" "Da da"