Your Child's Early Development is a Journey

These are just a few of many important milestones to look for. For complete checklists for your child's age visit www.cdc.gov/Milestones or download CDC's free *Milestone Tracker* app.

2 MONTHS

6 MONTHS

18 MONTHS

Start Here

- · Looks at your face
- Reacts to loud sounds
- Smiles when you talk to or smile at her
- Holds head up when on tummy
- Knows familiar people
- Takes turns making sounds with you
- Reaches to grab a toy he wants
- Rolls from tummy to back



 Calls a parent "mama" or "dada"



2 YEARS

- Tries to use switches, knobs, or buttons on a tov
- Kicks a ball
- Looks at your face to see how to react in a new situation
- Says at least two words together, like "More milk."
- Copies you doing chores, like sweeping with a broom
- Tries to use a spoon
- Points to show you something interesting
- Tries to say three or more words besides "mama" or "dada"
- Puts something in a container, like a block in a cup
 - Pulls up to stand



Says about

- Uses things to pretend, like feeding a block to a doll as if it were food
- Shows you what she can do by saying, "Look at me!"

30 MONTHS

Jumps off the ground with both feet

3 YEARS

- Talks with you in conversation
- Draws a circle, when you show him how
- Notices other children and joins them to play
- Uses a fork



- Answers simple questions like "What is a coat for?
- Names a few colors of items



- Unbuttons some buttons
- Likes to be a "helper"
- Follows rules or takes turns when playing games with other children
- Uses or recognizes simple rhymes

- **5 YEARS**
 - Writes some letters in her name
 - Hops on one foot