



Social & Emotional Developmental Milestones

0-3 Months	3-6 Months	6-9 Months	9-12 Months	1-2 Years	2-3 Years
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eager visual and tactile explorers of themselves and others. • Be comforted by a familiar adult. • Smile and show pleasure in response to social interaction. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Begin initiating social interaction • Play peek-a-boo • Smile spontaneously 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Present wider emotional range • Express several differentiated emotions • Distinguish friends from strangers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Imitation and self-regulation gain importance. • Mimic simple actions • Show anxiety when separated from primary caregiver 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Self awareness grows. • Show pride and pleasure at new accomplishments • Show a sense of self through assertiveness, directing others to do things 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Help themselves more often • Develop notions of themselves as good, bad, attractive, etc • Show awareness of their own feelings and feelings of others