

Happy Talking



***I'm a Happy Talker
between one and two years***

I am using very simple words but I am now talking!
I like to play with words and I am starting to use them
to get people's attention

I am Now One Year Old



I am a good communicator



I like to hold 'nonsense conversation' in a tuneful way



I point at people and objects and I wave "Bye-Bye"



I learn words more quickly if the TV and radio are off



I can understand simple instructions like "come to mummy" and may be able to give you some familiar objects that you ask for, e.g. spoon, ball and cup



Hopefully, as the months go by, I should start to say more and more single words like cat, ball, drink, gone, bye-bye and sleep



Ideas for my Parents or Carers



Play peek-a-boo with me



Read simple picture books with me



Sing simple nursery rhymes and songs with me, e.g. "The Wheels on the bus", "Round and Round the Garden", "Incey Wincey Spider" and "Bob the Builder"



Dummies stop me talking. Please only give it to me for sleeping if I need it



I am Now Between 18 Months and Two Years Old



We all vary how we speak at this age. Some of us have a few words and some of us have lots



Mostly, by two years old, we can put words together, e.g. "Daddy gone", "Where shoe?", "Want drink"



I am beginning to spend more time playing with my toys



Adults can join in my play and I like other children to play alongside me



I also like pretend play such as feeding teddy

Here Are Some Ideas for my Parents or Carers



I like a tea set to play with: also a toy kitchen and a toy bath for a Teddy or Dolly



I need to be encouraged to pretend play so join in with me on "shopping trips", cooking and washing up and making cups of tea



I like grown-ups to sing songs and nursery rhymes and also to read simple books



Try more activity songs with me like "I'm a little tea pot" and "Head, shoulders, knees and toes"



Notes...



If you have any concerns about my development
please speak to my Health Visitor

