

INFANT

Week

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Smart Activities



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Sweet Pictures

Materials: pictures of sweet treats

Preparation: Tape the pictures to the floor.

Instructions:

1. Hold your baby and say, "Look at the pictures of the sweet treats?"
2. Encourage your baby to crawl/walk to the picture. Modify as needed.
3. Praise all efforts as he/she shows interest in the pictures.



Five Candy Canes

Materials: internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/6MejJBiaq5A>

Preparation: Preview video.

Instructions:

1. Enjoy this Candy Cane as your baby responds to music.
2. Repeat as interest remains.
3. Encourage and praise all responses.



My Candy Cane

Materials: paper, red paint, scissors

Preparation: Cut out a candy cane shape.

Instructions:

1. Hold your baby and say, "We are going to create a candy cane using art materials."
2. Assist your baby with painting the candy cane. Modify as needed.
3. Encourage and praise all response as your baby completes the art activity.
4. Enjoy this priceless art.



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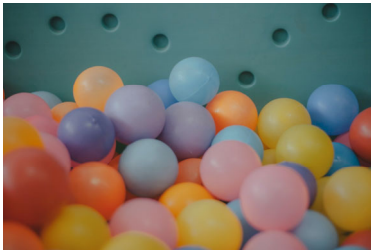


Ball Chase

Materials: ball

Instructions:

1. Hold your baby and say, "We are going to chase the ball."
2. Encourage your baby to chase the ball after you roll it on the floor. Modify/assist as needed.
3. Repeat as your baby examines the ball.



Roll the Ball

Materials: internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/s5ZhjCJ2bIE>

Preparation: Preview video.

Instructions:

1. Enjoy this sing along with your baby.
2. Encourage and praise all responses.



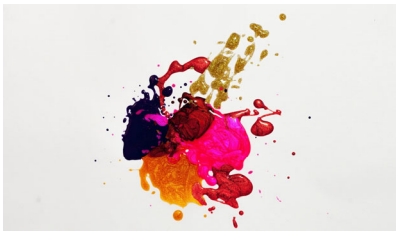
Roll It Around

Materials: ball, box, paint

Preparation: Put the paint in the box.

Instructions:

1. Hold your baby and say, "We are going to paint with a ball."
2. Put the ball in the box.
3. Encourage your baby to shake the box.
4. Observe as your baby paints with the ball.



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Books for Me

Materials: books

Preparation: Place the books near your baby.

Instructions:

1. Hold your baby and say, "Time to read some books."
2. Modify/assist as needed. Encourage your baby to select a book.
3. As you read the books, ask your baby to repeat simple words.
4. Observe as your baby responds to repeated words.



Goodnight

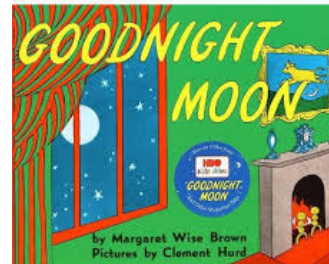
Materials: internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/Rq3wI0OPRe0>

Preparation: Preview video.

Instructions:

1. Enjoy *Goodnight Moon* by Margret Wise Brown.
2. Repeat simple words and encourage your baby to repeat them.
3. Encourage and praise all responses.



Book Pick Up

Materials: books, blanket

Preparation: Place books on the blanket.

Instructions:

1. Hold your baby and say, "We are going to pick up the books."
2. Encourage your baby to help with picking up the books. Assist and modify as needed.
3. Count the books as they are picked up.
4. Select one to read once the task is complete.
5. Praise all efforts.



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Stocking Fun

Materials: holiday stocking, favorite toys

Instructions:

1. Hold your baby and say, "This is a stocking, and we are going to put your toys inside."
2. Encourage your baby to grasp the toys and feel the stocking. Modify as needed.
3. Repeat as your baby develops a sense of grasp.



Over the Moon

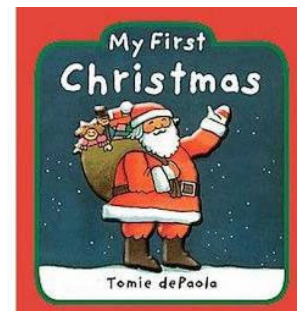
Materials: internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/PuqD8XfLM6I>

Preparation: Preview video.

Instructions:

1. Enjoy *My First Christmas* by Tomie dePaola.
2. Point to items in the story.
3. Encourage and praise all responses.



My Stocking

Materials: paper, crayons, scissors

Preparation: Cut out stocking shape using paper.

Instructions:

1. Hold your baby, and say, "We are going to create a stocking using art materials."
2. Assist your baby with coloring the stocking. Modify as needed.
3. Encourage and praise all response as your baby completes an art activity.



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Pillow Fun

Materials: favorite pillow

Preparation: This activity requires close supervision.

Instructions:

1. Hold your baby and say, "This is a pillow. We are going to use it during tummy time."
2. Place your baby safely on a pillow with hands on support.
3. Encourage your baby to raise his/her head by singing and smiling. Modify as needed.
4. Repeat as your baby develops control of head and back.



I Got This

Materials: internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/M3rCtW9DMD4>

Preparation: Preview video.

Instructions:

1. Enjoy tummy time with your baby.
2. Repeat as interest remains.
3. Encourage and praise all responses.



I See It

Materials: favorite noisy toy

Instructions:

1. Hold your baby and say, "We are going to have tummy time."
2. Place your baby safely on his/her tummy with hands-on support.
3. Encourage your baby to raise his/her head by shaking the noisy toy. Modify as needed.
4. Observe as your baby moves his/her head towards the noisy toy.
5. Encourage and praise all responses as your baby develops control of head and back.



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