

8-Month Old Developmental Checklist

	Yes	Sometimes	Not Yet
Turns toy parts and puts objects in and out of containers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Appears aware of conversations	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Indicates his/her needs by vocalizing instead of crying	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Uses different types of cries for a variety of needs and emotions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reacts to emotional tone of voice (e.g. smiles if you sound happy)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Turns head away from you if he/she does not want something	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stops an activity when his/her name is called	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Looks at familiar people and pets when their names are used	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Says word-like utterances using two consonants (e.g. Dada)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recognizes names of common objects (e.g. "bottle," "blanket")	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Discriminates primary caretaker's voice from a stranger's voice	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Combines consonants and vowels when babbling (e.g. "baba")	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Uses long chains of babbled sounds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Imitates speech sounds	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Exhibits vocal variations of intensity (e.g. shouts vs. coos)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sings along with music	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If your child is *not* demonstrating the above developmental skills, contact us to schedule a no-cost phone consultation. It is better to call now, than to *"wait and worry"*. We will help you determine if your child is experiencing normal variations in development or if your child could benefit from therapy. Often, short term intervention is all that is needed to prevent future social or academic concerns.