

# Developmental Milestones 30–36 Months



## Cognitive Skills

- Tries to play act thoughts and ideas.
- Counts three objects.
- Matches and sorts similar pictures and objects.
- Enjoys creative movement.
- Child can remember what happened yesterday.
- Acts out own stories.
- Becoming a “logical thinker.

## Sensory and Perceptual Skills

- Tolerates a variety of environmental noises
- Points to show things to an adult or child
- Tolerates new environments and a variety of public settings



## Language Skills

- Uses language to express thoughts and feelings.
- Asks a lot of questions
- Repeats five word sentences.
- Talks to himself or herself about recent events and make believe characters.
- Uses social words: "please," "thank you," "hello."
- Names most body parts.
- By age 3, child may use as many as 900 words.
- Child understands sentences with two or more ideas
- Know his/her first and last name.

## Gross Motor Skills

- Takes part in group activities that include running, galloping, crawling, rolling over, and twirling around.
- Walks on a narrow beam, putting one foot in front of the other for a few steps.
- Climbs the ladder of a slide or other play equipment.
- Can pedal a tricycle and steer well.
- Walk forward and backward on a narrow beam.
- Kick a ball so it sometimes goes where he wants.
- Throw a ball overhand with fairly good aim.
- Take part in circle games with many players, such as musical chairs, hokey pokey, or The Farmer in the Dell.

