

Pull The String



Age 5 months on

Materials Pull string toy

Setting Outdoors or indoors on a stable surface

Description Place the infant on his or her belly. Place toy on a string at midline between the infant's hands. Encourage the infant to reach, grasp, and pull string to get the desired toy.

Learning Outcomes

Approaches to Learning Child uses initiative, curiosity and persistence to learn about the world. He or she explores the environment through movement and the use of senses.

Science Child gathers information through the senses. He or she pursues an object with initiative and curiosity and repeats actions that have been successful in reaching a goal.

Fine Motor Skills Child engages in activities which require eye-hand coordination and the use of small muscles. He or she explores textures in the environment and begins to manipulate materials.

Large Motor Skills Child begins to gain voluntary control of arm movements.

Did You Know?

Caregivers can promote sensory exploration and problem solving while facilitating fine and gross motor development. Observe children closely and describe for them what they are experiencing (feeling, hearing, touching, seeing etc.). Enthusiastically respond to their exploration and discovery with encouragement, excitement and support as needed. Provide a wide variety of materials that encourage discovery, imitation and repetition such as mirrors, musical toys, squeaky toys, windup toys, push and pull toys, things to roll, stacking blocks, and containers to fill and dump.

Movement Milestone

Between 4 and 5 months, infants usually develop head control.

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