

# Maths tips

Newborn to  
12 months

- Rock, bounce and sing with your baby, feeling beats in songs helps them learn to count.
- Give your baby different objects to explore, such as large stones, pine cones, spoons, a bunch of keys, stacking blocks and balls. Talk about the objects, their shape, colour, edges, size, weight and whether they're on top, under or next to something.
- Play hiding games, for example hiding a small toy under a cup and asking your baby "where's it gone?". You can play this game in the bath too.



Count  
with me

Maths tips  
for parents

There's more to maths  
than counting!

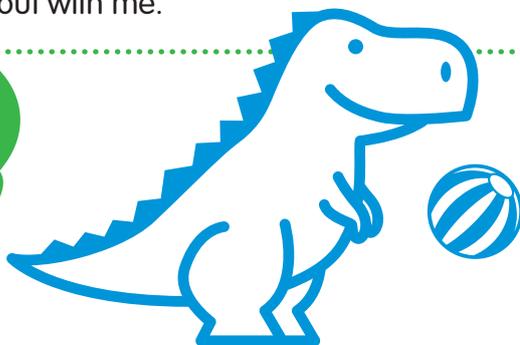


## "What I Like"

- Looking at your face as I react to the different shapes on it.
- Having interesting things to explore, like big feathers, tinfoil, small cardboard boxes or a paintbrush, that you talk about with me.

## "What I can do"

- Reach out to objects.
- Feel objects with different textures, sizes, edges, shapes and weights.
- Move to a beat.



## Did you know?

Maths is everywhere, even for babies, and by seven months old your baby already has a sense of numbers. For example, they can match the number of voices they hear with the number of faces they see.

This leaflet is from a series of five, each leaflet covers a different age range from birth to five years old. Children develop at their own rates and in their own ways. The ages are suggestions of typical ranges of development.

If you have any concerns about your child's development, speak to your GP, health visitor or someone at your local Sure Start Children's Centre.

You can find all the leaflets and more advice about child development on the Surrey Family Information Service webpages

[www.surreycc.gov.uk/earlylearning](http://www.surreycc.gov.uk/earlylearning)



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