

0-1 YEAR OLD SPEECH

3 Months

3 month old babies begin to coo

- Sing songs to about what you're doing for baby ('baby put your pants on')
- Narrate what you're doing ('I'm making washing your bottles')

6 Months

6 month old babies start making sounds that sound like words

- Use the 'words' your baby says correctly ('Yes! That's dada')
- Sound words are fun for baby ('Beep! Beep!')

9 Months

9 month old babies start to understand gestures and games

- Play games like peek-a-boo, pat-a-cake, icky sticky bubble gum
- Practice waving, blowing kisses, and shaking head yes and no

12 Months

12 month old babies may say their first words

- Repeat words that baby is trying to say
- Continue to narrate (name body parts while dressing, talk about food)

Extras

Babies 0-1 love speech and are interested in sounds

- Reading out loud is one of the best things you can do for your child
- Let baby feel your face while you talk, make silly faces and sounds

