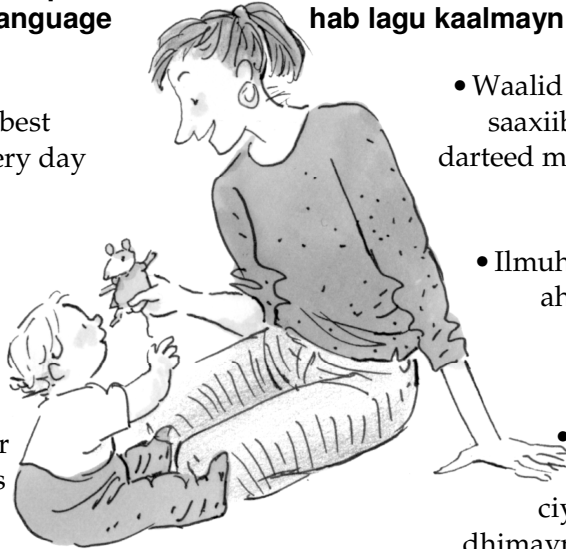


## Playing with your baby

Play is the main way that babies and toddlers learn about the world. With your help, it's also a wonderful way to support their language development.

- As a parent, you are your child's best playmate so try to spend time every day playing together.
- Newborns love physical play, especially when you gently tickle their face or count their fingers and toes.
- When your baby gets a little older and stronger, offer her lots of toys or things that are safe to go into her mouth, and talk about the objects for her.
- Make lots of play sounds to go with what's happening, like "brmm, brmm" as you push a car along. That way, your baby will hear different speech sounds and learn that listening to voices is fun.
- Your baby will love hearing the same little rhymes and stories, and playing games like peek-a-boo, over and over again.
- You don't need lots of toys to play – your baby can play with safe, simple things around the house. But toy libraries offer toys on loan for free or a small fee. For your nearest call 020 7255 4604.
- As your baby gets older, don't try to teach him anything during play. Your child will learn best if he chooses what to play, and you follow his lead.



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## La ciyaarista ilmaha

Ciyaartu waa habka ugu wanaagsan ee ilmuhu ku bartaan dunida. Markii aad la ciyaartidna waa hab lagu kaalmayn karo korriinka afkooda.

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- Markii ilmuhu sii koro, siina xoogaysto, u fidi qalab ciyaareed ama qalab aan waxba u dhimayn haddii ay afka geliyaan, adiga oo kala hadlaya waxyaabaha aad siinaysid
- Ciyaarta aad ciyaaraysaan raaci shanqarta ay sameyso, sida "brmm, brmm" markii aad baabuur waddid. Sidaas ayaa ilmuhu ku maqlayaa shanqarta qalab-ciyaareedka iyo in dhagaysiga codadka kala duwan ay madadaalo tahay.
- Ilmuhu waxa uu maqli doonaa codadka iyo heesaha sida ay u dhacayaan iyo sheekada, iyo weliba ciyaarta peek-a-boo, markii aad wax badan ku celcelisaan ciyaaranteed.
- Qasab ma aha inaad qalab badan dhoobtid – ilmuhu waxa uu ku ciyaari karaa qalab aan halis uga imanayn oo guriga u yaalla. Sidoo kale maktabadda ayaa laga amaahdaa toy si lacag la'aan ah ama xoogaa lacag ah ayay kaa qaadayaan. Maktabadda kuugu dhow si aad u ogaatid wac 020 7255 4604.
- Markii ilmuhu soo koraba, ha isku dayin inaad wax kasta bartid markii aad ciyaaraysaan. Ilmaha waxa uu wax bartaa markii isagu xusho waxa uu ciyaarayo, adiguna aad raacdid rabitaankiisa.

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