

Age: 8 to 14 months

Where Did It Go?

Instructions:

1. Place your hand on back of puppet or stuffed animal and talk to baby as if the puppet is speaking. Have fun with this!
2. When your baby is engaged, put the hand with the puppet behind your back. Ask baby, where did it go?
3. Next let your baby look for puppet and find it! Once the puppet is found speak back to baby saying, "There it is"!
4. Let your baby put puppet on his/her hand, exploring with how to use it.
5. Keep this going for as long as, your child shows interest.

Materials:

- Hand Puppet or Stuffed Animal



What they learn:

Motor: Puppet play exercises your baby's hand and finger Muscles.

Cognitive: Your baby is beginning to solve problems. He or she is following your eyes and looking for the disappearing toy. Your baby is developing the understanding that even when she can't see an object it still exists. Object permanence is an important concept for this age.