

Age Group: Birth to 1 year
Objective: Problem Solving

Object Permanence

Instructions:

1. Place the toy where your child can see.
2. Partially hide toy under the blanket or box and then fully conceal the toy or blanket.
3. Encourage your child to look for the toy by revealing and covering the toy.

Questions to extend learning:

- Where did the (name of toy) go?
- Do you see it under the blanket/box?
- Can you help me look for it?

Materials:

- Any toy
- Blanket or box



What will children learn?

The child will learn the even if an object is not in sight that it is still there (object permanence). Very young babies do not understand this concept, as you will notice if you place a toy under their blanket, they will not search for it, but will simply turn to another toy that is within eyesight and reach. Older babies will start to know, when a ball rolls under the couch that it is still there, and they will move toward the ball in an attempt to find it.

Learning Objectives:

- Encourage your child to look for missing items
- Demonstrates positive approaches to learning
- Problem solving