



Baby Talk: Resources to Support the People Who Work with Infants and Toddlers

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Vital and Valuable: Latino Fathers and Their Infants and Toddlers

<https://unidosus.org/publications/vital-and-valuable-latino-fathers/> (English)

<https://unidosus.org/publications/vital-y-valioso-el-papa-latino/> (Spanish)

This publication aims to identify and discuss the vital and valuable roles Latino fathers can play in promoting the healthy development and early learning of their young children, specifically preparing infants and toddlers for reading success.

Stages of Play <https://www.todayparent.com/search/?term=stages%20of%20play>

Visit this website to learn more about common developmental milestones for play at each age. Possible expectations and ideas for encouraging play are offered for 0-3 months, 4-6 months, 7-9 months, 10-12 months, 13-18 months, 19-24 months, 3 years old, and 4 years old.

Toddlers as Investigators: Understanding Emergent Curriculum

https://www.communityplaythings.com/resources/articles/toddlers-as-investigators?_cldee=SGFg9a3aDkcfxZIE9RU7wJGnfKVkq1IIPefclmohqfMok7WO68JoSRpwe2fZ9Ud&recipientid=contact-631422b4f49e4c42b12c25b7f2251881-8d322985693c441a906f8ba0e41b7950&esid=c16b01de-fbe8-ed11-a7c6-6045bd006fe2

Melissa Pinkham's delightful and informative article explores ways in which the interests and curiosities of toddlers may be used by educators (and families) to support meaningful inquiry, exploration, and play. Pinkham explains the purpose and value of emergent curriculum, offers thoughtful questions through which the interests of toddlers may be discovered, and highlights ways in which to use this approach to support individual toddler needs. NOTE: On the website, this article displays some unrelated content at the top of the page. Scroll down to get to the article. It will be worth the effort!

Sesame Workshop <https://sesameworkshop.org/>

Sesame Workshop has launched a new website packed with free content (e.g., resources, research, videos). New search tools and navigation features allow users to discover and share resources more easily than ever before. Explore by topic, resource type, and even favorite characters. Some resources are organized by Sesame Workshops "impact areas" – emotional well-being, foundational knowledge and skills, creativity and playful problem solving, and self-identity and belonging. Pull-down menus from the Family Resources tab subheadings offer topical resources ranging from ABCs and 123s to tough topics like homelessness and traumatic experiences. There's also a new school readiness section to help young children get ready for school and life with the grown-ups in their lives. Many resources are also available in Spanish.

STEM Adventures https://stemie.fpg.unc.edu/resources-landing-page?utm_content=&utm_medium=email&utm_name=&utm_source=govdelivery&utm_term=

The **STEM Innovation for Inclusion in Early Education Center** in partnership with Bridge Multimedia and FableVision has developed a free and born accessible mobile app, *My STEM Adventure*. *My STEM Adventure* provides the opportunity for young children and their families or other caregivers to explore the world of STEM both indoors and outdoors and create a storybook that details their investigation. Adults can learn about STEM concepts, what children are learning, and receive tips on how to guide children as they embark on the adventure together.

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