

OUR MULTILINGUAL CHILD

Family language strategy and the child's language development

0 to 1 year

Our multilingual strategy

Parent 1 speaks:

Parent 2 speaks:

Other language(s):



Language comprehension

Did you know that your child can distinguish different languages at a very young age? From as early as six/seven months on he/she starts understanding specific words and expressions too.

Tick off the things your child can do. (L= language)

Our child starts to	in L
<input type="checkbox"/> react when we say his/her name	
<input type="checkbox"/> respond in a certain way to some words or questions (Where is daddy? - pointing / Shall I take you? - reaching)	

word of advice

Does your child pay little or no attention when you speak? Discuss it with your pediatrician.



A first big step... BABBLING

By the time the baby is six months old, you will notice that the sounds he/she makes are slightly modified by what you say. Babies slowly start imitating sounds. This skill is very important for your child's language development.

Tick off the things your child can do and write down when you noticed them first:

Our child starts to	at the age of (months)
<input type="checkbox"/> make different sounds (while lying down, sitting or after meals)	
<input type="checkbox"/> imitate the sounds we make	

word of advice

Stimulate language development through talking and singing to your child in his/her home languages.

