

Play Routemap Planner

Unoccupied Play

Children seem to be making random movements with no clear purpose; but this is the initial form of playing (from birth to 3 months)

KEY

Begins
Often
Regularly
Naturally

Sensorimotor Solitary Play

Activities provide sensory feedback, how things taste, feel, sound, smell, not only shakes a rattle but sucks it, feels it (from 3 months)

Plays with 1 stimulus/object/material/'toy'

Plays with a range of stimuli object/material/'toy'

Engages with similar stimuli/object/material/'toy'

Engages with different stimuli/object/material/'toy'

Begins to play with similar stimuli/object/material/'toy'

Plays with similar stimuli/object/material/'toy' for sustained periods

Copies play with adults

Copies play with other children

Observes other child's play (spectator or onlooker play)

Neuro typical age up to about 12-18 months

Notices other child's/children's play

Briefly watches other child's/children's play

Observes other child's/children's play with interest

Engages in Solitary Play

Neuro typical age 12+ months

Engages in in play for brief periods of time

Engages in play for sustained periods

Engages in play for longer periods of time.

Engages in Parallel Play

Neuro typical age 24 - 36

Briefly begins to engage in parallel play near others

Parallel Play

Copies others play

Fully engages in parallel play

Towards associative play