Play & Learn 2023

July—Infant

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
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2 When outside, lift your child high above your head and say "so big!" Then bring him down and say "whee!" Repeat.	3 Go outside and help your child feel different things like rocks, twigs and leaves. Describe how they feel: smooth, bumpy, rough etc.	4 Happy July 4th	5 Purchase a pinwheel toy and either blow it or show your child how it blows in the wind. Listen to the wind, rustle leaves etc.	6 Have your child hold one block in each hand. Then show him how to bang them or clap them together. Clap, clap, clap!	7 Put a small toy or object of interest into your shirt pocket. Ask "Where did it go?" and see if your child will seek it out.	8 Make a house for your child out of couch cushions. Place your child inside. Say "where are you?" or "are you in a house?" etc.	 Yogurt Parfait Ingredients 1/2 cup vanilla yogurt 1/4 cup diced bananas or berries <i>Directions</i> 1. Layer yogurt and fruit in a small cup. 2. Sprinkle crushed graham cracker on top.
9 Make faces in a large mirror. Swing your child close to the mirror. Say "who's that handsome boy?" or "where's your nose?"	10 With a wind chime or bells, move or shake to produce sound. Encourage your child to copy the movement, and see how he reacts to sound.	11 Read with your child for 15 minutes today.	12Sing "Twinkle, Twinkle. Little Star" with your child.	13 Attend story time at your local library.	14 Place blocks in a container, one by one, and then dump them out. Your child will want to do this over and over!	15	
16 When saying "hi" or "bye-bye," say the words with animation and wave. Help your child to wave also, each time.	17. With a straw, blow air on different body parts of your child. Say "I'm going to blow on your hand, your leg, your toes" etc.	18 Show your child how measuring cups nest together—how a small one fits into a larger one.	19 retend your child's teddy bear or doll is real. Feed it a cookie, give it a drink, put it to bed, etc.	20 -Fill a small bowl with water and explore filling cups, small bottles, scoops, big spoons and funnels together.	21 Talk, talk, talk with your child.	22 ook at pictures of animals and make the corresponding animal sounds with your child.	Makes 2 servings.
23 Play some music, and sing along. Clap or click your tongue to the beat. See if your child will copy you!	24 Dance with your child. Sing the "Hokey Pokey" and help your child "put" each body part into the circle.	25 Sing "If You're Happy and You Know It" with your child.	26 -Fasten a rattle, or slide a ring toy or teething bracelet on one of your child's legs and see if he will bang his feet to make noise or lift his leg to inspect.	27Sing "Pop goes the weasel." When you sing the word "pop" coincide it with an action like a clap, falling down, or closing a book. Sing again and repeat.	28 Read a book in a tent with a special snack. A tent can be made by just throwing a blanket over your head. Use a flashlight to look at a book.	29Sit in front of a table together and stack some blocks or measuring cups. Encourage your child to knock them down. Say "oh no!" or "fall down!"	
30 Go to the park and swing together. Place your child on your lap and hold with both arms. See if she likes it; keep it low and help her feel secure.	3 Repeat your favorite activity of the month.						