

LOVE TALK LEARN

Make the Connection

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with LOVE



Your baby feels safe and close to you when you...

- Lovingly look into your baby's eyes
- Talk in a gentle voice
- Touch, hug or are playful
- Soothe them when they cry

Your baby feels good about themselves when you...

- Notice your baby's expressions and moods
- Let them know you understand their feelings
- Accept them for who they are

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with LANGUAGE

Your baby begins to understand you when you...

- Talk about what you're doing together
- Make important words or actions stand out

Your baby begins to "talk" to you when you...

- Copy what your baby does
- Start a "game" or make a sound
- WAIT... for them to join in!



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with LEARNING

Your baby begins to discover their world when you...

- Follow your baby's lead
- Give them safe things to taste and touch
- Keep their world interesting



REMEMBER: Stop while it's still fun!
How your baby is feeling is always more important than the toy or activity.



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