

Your child is becoming aware of their own feelings, and that what others want may be different from what they want. You help them learn words for feelings, putting yourself in their shoes and explaining differences.

Things to Try

Help your child learn about emotions. Make happy, mad and silly faces together or in front of a mirror Name those feelings!

**18
months**

Set up short playtimes with other children. Your child doesn't understand how to share yet so make sure there are plenty of things to play with. Stay close by. Help them learn how to play with other children.

Play simple games together like Hide and Seek or Chase. Follow your child's lead and let them make the "rules". Have fun and laugh together.



What to Expect

Your toddler may offer toys to others, but they don't know how to share yet. They may want to take the toys back. That's ok!

Your toddler enjoys playing near other children but not with them yet.

Your toddler likes to show affection and give hugs and kisses.