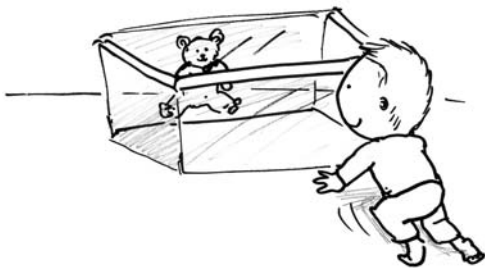


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To make 'hide and seek' more challenging, place a toy behind a transparent barrier of some sort - clear plastic box etc. Does baby reach **around** to get the toy or try to reach for it **directly** - through the barrier?



6

Play a **hand-clapping** game with your baby. Clap his hands together in a rhythm and sing a song e.g.

"Pat-a-cake, pat-a-cake, baker's man
Bake me a cake as fast as you can
Mix it and beat it and put it in to bake
Take it from the oven, what a lovely cake!"

You could have fun with this game by putting baby's hands under a cloth on "put it in to bake" and then take the cloth away on "what a lovely cake!"



7

If baby is able to sit in a fairly stable position, sit opposite him with your legs astride and gently roll a **large light ball** towards him. Let him try to roll it back to you. A fabric ball will be just as successful.



8

If baby is in the in-between stage where he can pull himself up but can't quite work out how to sit back down again, it is helpful to fix a wooden **curtain pole** at a low level (*so he can pull himself up, and hold onto as he sits down*)

To make it more interesting fix different items to hang from curtain rings so they pull them along the pole and explore.

