



My First Music-Making

Use a wooden spoon or other simple beater to tap pots, bowls, and cups. Your baby can grasp, strike, listen, and create a first playful performance.

Helps Your Child Grow



Exploration and Discovery

Tapping objects made from different materials gives your baby direct experience producing and comparing several sounds.

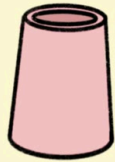


Fine Motor

Grasping a spoon or drumstick and directing it toward an object gives your baby practice using hand strength and control.



What You'll Need



Cup



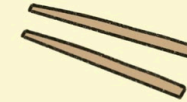
Bowl



Pot



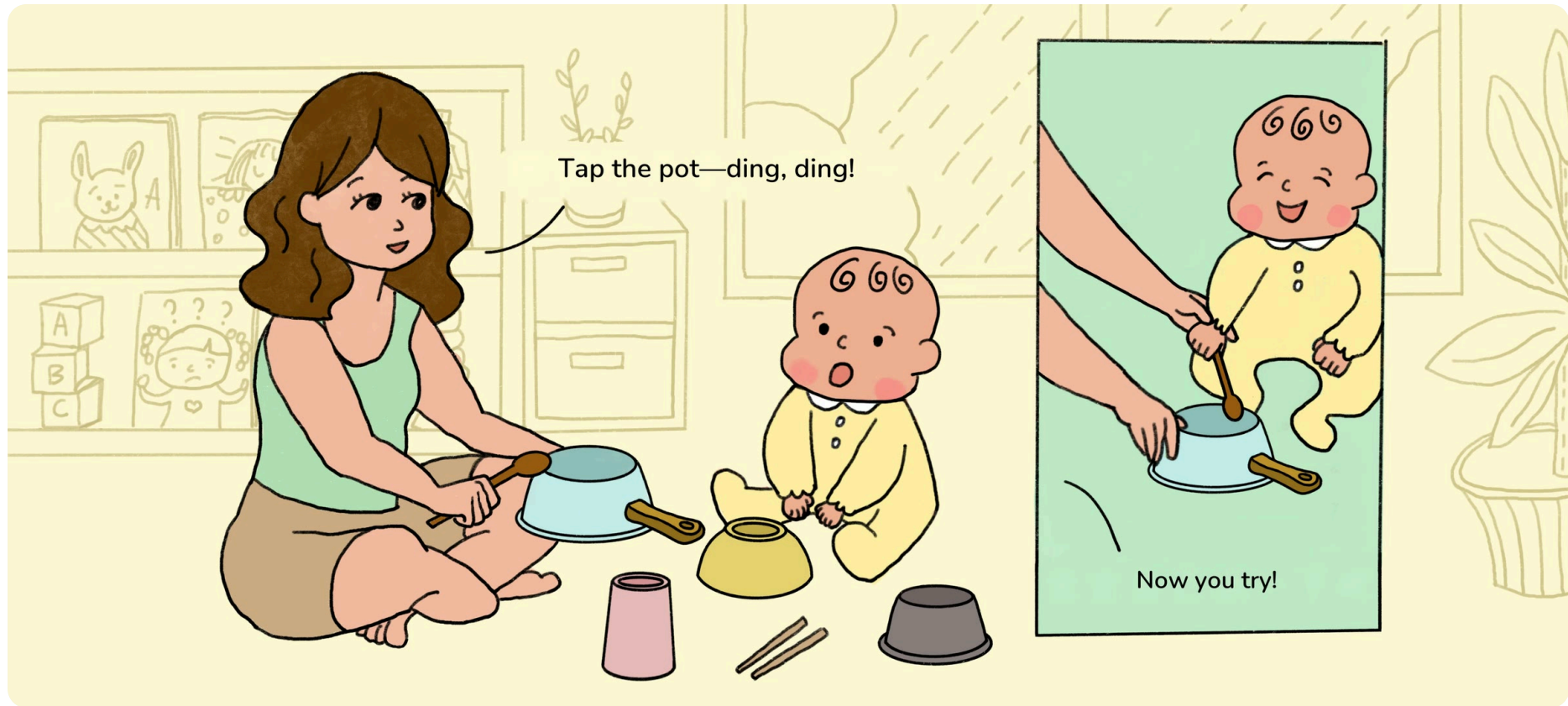
Spoon



Drumsticks

What You'll Need

1. Simple kitchenware, such as a pot, bowl, cup, wooden spoon, spatula, or drumstick



Listen to the Kitchen Sounds

Place the objects in front of your baby and tap two together, such as a wooden spoon on a pot. If the sound catches their attention, guide their hand through one gentle tap so they can hear the result again.

Observations

- Notices that tapping a spoon on a pot makes a sound
- Smiles or vocalizes after making a sound

Tips

- Your baby may first pat and touch the objects with empty hands. Give them time to explore before offering the spoon.
- If your baby is watching a different object, tap that one softly and see whether the new sound draws their attention.



Let Your Baby Try

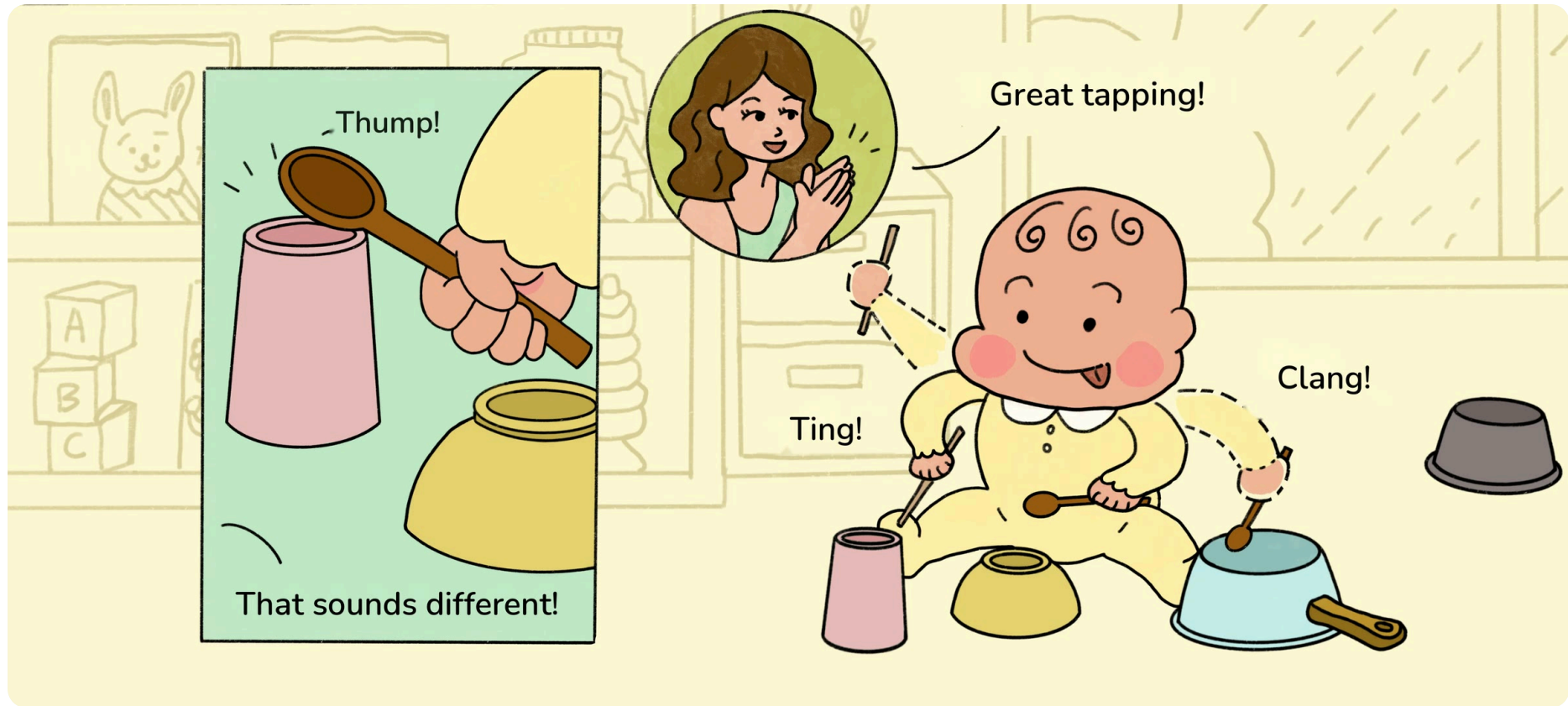
Once the tapping action is familiar, let your baby hold the wooden spoon and try independently. If grasping or aiming is difficult, guide the hand for a few turns or move the target closer.

Observations

- Holds a spoon steadily in the palm
- Looks toward you after making a sound independently

Tips

- If a missed tap leads to frustration, offer a cuddle and a calm response before another attempt.
- Because #PMP-FiM is still developing, the spoon may wobble or fall after a short hold.
- When a tap makes a sound, respond immediately so your baby can connect the action and result.



A Little Kitchen Concert

Invite your baby to tap different objects and different places on each object. Let them create a small concert while you stay nearby, listen, and respond to the sounds they discover.

Observations

- ☐ Taps more than one object and listens to the different sounds
- ☐ Holds a utensil and taps a pot or bowl

Tips

- Echo a new sound with a simple vocal pattern, such as “ding-ding” or “boom-boom.”
- Describe the exact result: “You tapped the bowl, and it went ding!”