



Take a Toy for a Walk

Attach a string and take a favorite toy for a walk.

Helps Your Child Grow



Fine Motor

Holding the string while walking and changing direction helps your baby coordinate hand control with whole-body movement.



Reasoning and Problem-Solving

Trying a new action when the toy or string gets stuck gives your baby practice adjusting their approach to solve a simple problem.

Steps

- Choose a favorite pull-along toy with wheels. Invite your child to hold the string and take the toy for a walk.
- Pulling a toy calls for several movements at once: your child grips the string, pulls with their arm, walks, and sometimes looks back to adjust their pace or direction.
- The toy may tip over, get stuck, or leave the string tangled near your child's feet. These small problems give your child a chance to try a solution.
- Give them time to adjust the toy or try a different movement. If they keep trying without success, step in and help.

Tips

- If your child is unsure how to begin, demonstrate by pulling the toy for a few steps.
- Any sturdy wheeled pull-along toy can work. The key experience is using the string to control how the toy follows.

Observations

- Pulls a wheeled toy while walking
- Tries a different approach when the pull-along toy gets stuck