



Some things a baby with normal speech, language, and hearing should be able to do:

Birth to 3 Months of Age

- * Blinks or jumps when there is a sudden, loud sound
- * Quiets or smiles when spoken to
- * Makes sounds like "ohh," "ahh"

4 to 6 Months of Age

- * Looks for sounds with eyes
- * Uses many sounds, squeals, and chuckles
- * Makes different sounds when excited or angry

7 Months to 1 Year of Age

- * Turns head toward loud sounds
- * Understands "no-no," or "bye-bye"
- * Babbles, for example "baba," "mama," "gaga"
- * Repeats simple words and sounds you make
- * Correctly uses "mama" or "dada"
- * Responds to singing or music
- * Points to favorite toys and objects when asked

If you have questions about your baby's hearing or this list, talk with your baby's health professional.

The Nebraska Early Hearing and Detection Program develops, promotes and supports systems to ensure all newborns in Nebraska receive hearing screening and those who do not pass receive timely, family-centered evaluations and early intervention.



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