



Thinking Abilities and General Knowledge Activity for 12 to 18 Months

Advanced Peek-a-Boo

Materials:

- Cup, bowl, or shoebox

What to do:

1. Hide a toy under a cup, bowl, or shoebox when the child is good at uncovering toys hidden with a cloth. This will make the peek-a-boo game more difficult because the child won't be able to see the shape of the toy.
2. Hide a toy under one or two cups when the child is about 12 months old. Encourage him to find it.
3. Hide a toy under one of three cups when the child is about 15 months old. Make sure the child is watching you when you hide the toy and encourage him to find it.

Variations:

- A. Cover his cracker with an empty cup toward the end of the child's lunch. Ask, "Where is your cracker?"
- B. Place two pails upside down outside. Put a rock under one of the pails. Ask, "Where is the rock hiding?"
- C. Place three shoeboxes upside down. Drive the toy car under one of the "garages." Ask, "Where is the car parked?"

