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1. Noun - Plural
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12. Noun - Plural
13. Verb - Present Tense
14. Proper Noun - Plural

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Who knew? Sometimes it's the simplest \_\_\_\_\_ Noun - Plural \_\_\_\_\_ and toys that teach the biggest lessons. Take \_\_\_\_\_ Noun \_\_\_\_\_, for example. Hide your face behind your hands, say "peekaboo!" in a silly voice, and you're not only \_\_\_\_\_ Verb - Present Tense \_\_\_\_\_ your baby's first giggles, but you're also helping him grasp "object permanence." Your baby's \_\_\_\_\_ Noun \_\_\_\_\_ has moved on from "out of sight, out of mind" thinking into knowing that your \_\_\_\_\_ Verb - Present Tense \_\_\_\_\_ face (or a toy under a blanket) doesn't disappear forever when it's out of view.

You can start helping your little one learn brain-boosting (and skill-building) lessons from the get-go. Provide him with \_\_\_\_\_ Noun - Plural \_\_\_\_\_ he can focus his vision on and practice \_\_\_\_\_ Verb - Present Tense \_\_\_\_\_ with his eyes: A mobile hanging from his crib, a board \_\_\_\_\_ Noun \_\_\_\_\_ filled with simple illustrations or \_\_\_\_\_ Noun - Plural \_\_\_\_\_ of everyday objects, or a brightly colored \_\_\_\_\_ Noun \_\_\_\_\_. But his brain isn't the only part of the body that needs boosting. You can also try different bodybuilding (baby-style) activities to build up his muscles, both large and small. \_\_\_\_\_ Verb \_\_\_\_\_ his arms and legs and strengthen the muscles he'll need for all the physical \_\_\_\_\_ Noun - \_\_\_\_\_ Plural \_\_\_\_\_ ahead of him (sitting up! \_\_\_\_\_ Verb - Present Tense \_\_\_\_\_!). Or play some patty-cake so he can sharpen his dexterity (the better to pick up those \_\_\_\_\_ Proper Noun - Plural \_\_\_\_\_!).