

<b>Developmental Stage→*</b>	<b>Birth-2 y.o.</b>	<b>2 y.o.-7 y.o.</b>	<b>7 y.o.- 12 y.o.</b>
<b><i>Performing Arts</i></b>	Work on imitating simple rhythms by clapping or using a simple instrument	Create and act out a story that you practice and perform together.  A good stage to introduce formal music and dance training.	This is your time to shine! Really delve deeper into pinpointing the sounds different instruments create.  Get into creating your own choreography.
<b><i>Literature</i></b>	Sing simple songs, Read books with rhymes, create silly rhyming words	Try out puppet storytelling before bedtime.  Begin telling the difference between “real” and “make believe” stories and characters When you get a new book, do a “picture walk” where your child predicts what they think the story will be about based on the pictures!  Remember: your child can “read” the story before they actually know HOW to read words	Try character building activities, change the ending of a favorite book.  Self publish a short story!  Use symbolism in writing and create poems about their favorite topics.
<b><i>Visual Arts</i></b>	Get all the senses involved! Create with homemade paint, playdough, and instruments	Crafts galore! Use all the different types of materials you can get your hands on. Remember, smooth writing utensils and smooth surfaces like markers and dry erase boards help your child in the drawing process.	Begin formal visual arts training.  Draw architectural designs with vanishing points.  Get a fun graphic design app!