

Choose large or stuffed toys with no detachable parts to prevent choking hazards.



Read the label on the toy to ensure it is appropriate for your baby's age.



Look for toys made from baby-safe and non-toxic materials.



Make sure battery-operated toys have the batteries in a compartment not accessible to the baby.



Choose toys that would interest them and are easy for them to understand how to play.



Give toys that encourage open-ended play, such as softball.



Give your baby toys that encourage pretend play, such as toy phones.



If giving sound-making toys, make sure the sound is not frightening and loud.



## References

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