



The Three Year Old Asks

Three Year Old Children:

- are friendly and like to play with other children.
- like to share and belong to a group. They are starting to play "pretend" games.
- will pick up their toys if you help.
- ask questions but are not always interested in the answer.
- often use sentences at least 3 or 4 words long.
- sometimes ask simple questions like "What's that?", "Why?".
- seem to understand most of what you say to them.
- can have a simple conversation with you.
- like to sing songs.
- may talk about imaginary (not real) friends or situations.
- know their names and whether they are a boy or girl.
- can say more than 500 words.
- enjoy looking at and talking about picture books with adults.



Three Year Old Children May Still:

- make speech sound mistakes, but you can understand most of what they say.
- have a loud voice.
- make grammar mistakes in sentences, for example: "That me toy Mom"

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