Making small moments big!

When you talk, read and sing with children, you're helping them build their brains and develop important language, math, reading and social skills. Use these cards every day to help your child learn through their play.

If you have questions about your child’s growth or want to talk with someone about parenting, please call 2-1-1 and ask for Help Me Grow. For more tips and activities, visit onlib.org/makingsmallmomentsbig.
Talk to your baby about what she's doing, seeing, hearing, and feeling. For example, “I'm changing your diaper. You'll like being nice and dry. I love you!”
Place your baby facing you and let him watch as you change facial expressions (big smile, sticking out tongue, widening eyes, raising eyebrows, puffing or blowing). Give your baby a turn. Do what your baby does.
Take turns with your baby when he makes cooing and gurgling sounds. Have a back and forth "conversation" with simple sounds that he can make.
With your baby lying on his back, place a toy within sight but out of reach, or move a toy across your baby’s visual range. Encourage him to roll to get the toy.
Read simple books to your baby. Even if he does not understand the story, he will enjoy being close and listening to you read.