

### Who needs Early Intervention?

Every child grows at his own pace and being a little far behind is nothing to worry about.

However a substantial lag or continuous lagging behind is of concern, as it could signal Development Delay in the child.

There are certain basic developmental milestones according to chronological age of child and a continuous lagging behind could be a possible indicator and calls for detailed diagnosis of child.

Some of the major milestones are as follows –

Age	Developmental Milestones
1 Month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Raise their heads slightly when lying on their stomachs</li><li>• Briefly watch objects</li><li>• Pull away from a blanket on their face</li></ul>
3 Month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lift their heads and chest while lying on their stomachs</li><li>• Make cooing sounds</li><li>• Follow a moving person with their eyes</li><li>• Smile back at someone</li></ul>
6 Month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sit with minimal support</li><li>• Roll from their back to their stomach</li><li>• Respond to their name by looking</li></ul>
12 Month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pull themselves up to stand and take steps with hands held</li><li>• Follow with their eyes in the direction that you are pointing</li><li>• Start a game of peek-a-boo, imitate clapping hands, point to show you something</li><li>• Say two or three words on a regular basis</li><li>• Sit up when prompted</li></ul>
18 Month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Walk backwards</li><li>• Walk down stairs holding an adult's hand</li><li>• Use words and gestures (like taking you by the hand) to get needs met</li><li>• Perform simple pretend like talking on the phone, feeding a stuffed animal</li></ul>
24 Month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Kick a large ball</li><li>• Describe an injury or illness to an adult (bumped my head)</li><li>• Show interest in other children by offering them a toy or taking their hand</li></ul>
32 Month	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Pretend to be an animal or favourite character</li><li>• Talk about the past/future</li><li>• Answer 'What', 'Where' and 'Who' questions easily</li><li>• Imitate drawing a horizontal line after being shown</li><li>• Hold a crayon with 3 fingers</li></ul>