

CAREGIVER CONNECTION CARD

Young Audiences of Louisiana 
BABY ARTSPLAY!™
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Tiny Motor Scooters

Fine Motor Skills

Fine motor skills represent the little movements we take for granted as adults. They allow us to move small muscles in the fingers, hands and arms to manipulate and control tools and materials. Fine motor skills are foundational to everyday tasks like tying your shoes and zipping up your jacket, but are also essential to educational activities like writing and reading. By the age of two, most toddlers can complete important tasks, like unwrapping birthday presents or solving simple puzzles. Regardless of your child’s area of interest, there are plenty of activities that offer children the opportunity to practice fine motor skills.

Tips to Connect

Meet your child where she is and cater to her interests. Encourage your little one to play dress up, mold playdough sculptures, and construct block towers.



MAIN PROP

Toy apples

ALTERNATIVE PROP

Painting: Use paintbrushes or tiny fingers to draw just about anything. Watch your child marvel at her abilities or join the fun by modeling how to draw circles and straight lines.

Two Little Apples

Way up high in the apple tree,
 Two little apples smiled at me.
 I shook that tree as hard as I could.
 DOWN came the apples!
 Mmm mm good!

Two little apples, hanging in a tree.
 Two little apples, smiling at me.
 I shook that tree as hard as I could.
 DOWN came the apples!
 Mmm mmm good!

Use apples, balls, or fists to act as the apples as they fall from the tree.