

## 6 Years

- Can your child tie her shoes?  Yes  No
- Can your child dress himself completely without help?  Yes  No
- Can your child catch a small bouncing ball, such as a tennis ball, using only her hands? (Large balls do not count.)  Yes  No
- Can your child skip with both feet?  Yes  No
- Can your child tell his age correctly?  Yes  No
- Can your child repeat at least four numbers in the proper sequence?  Yes  No
- Can your child recognize and name at least 10 letters in the alphabet?  Yes  No
- Does your child know the sounds of most letters of the alphabet?  Yes  No
- Can your child recognize and read 15 or more common words?  Yes  No
- Can your child copy a few simple words from a book?  Yes  No

As a parent, you are in the best position to note these subtle aspects of your child's behavior. These clues signal that your child's development is on schedule or that something might be wrong. A "No" answer to any of the questions may be a warning sign. Make sure to bring it to your pediatrician's attention. Remember, these milestones are an aid, not a test.

If you have any questions, plan to discuss them with your pediatrician. Pediatricians are trained to detect and treat developmental problems in children. Many problems, if detected early, can be treated by your pediatrician and successfully managed.

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