

## Lesson 12.2

# Toddler Concept Learning in Action

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Date \_\_\_\_\_ Period \_\_\_\_\_

*Toddlers learn many concepts in a variety of concept areas. For this activity, read each scenario given and identify the corresponding major area of concept learning. For each response of A, list the attribute in parentheses, such as: A (shape). Some scenarios have more than one correct response.*

### Areas of Concept Learning

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|---|---------------------------|
| A. Distinguishing Attributes of Objects | D. Solving Problems       |
| B. Noting Cause and Effect              | E. Understanding Quantity |
| C. Using Spatial Relationships          | F. Using Symbols          |

### Scenarios

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. When Olivia does something correctly, she claps for herself. Her parents always smile at her. Recently, she has begun clapping at other times and always looks to see whether her parents are smiling.  
Explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Sophia's mother pours out a canister of barrettes for Sophia's hair. As the mother fastens a pink one into her daughter's hair, Sophia picks out an identical one and says, "Pink."  
Explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Hirohito looks at his twin brother's broken cracker and starts to cry. He gestures to his brother's cracker and says, "Bigger half."  
Explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Noah tries to put his teddy bear into a box with a lid. He becomes frustrated when it does not fit.  
Explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Deshi walks around wearing his daddy's cap and saying, "Daddy."  
Explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. When Jakob's mother picks him up, she often says, "Geesh! You are such a big boy." Jakob picks up a pail of blocks and says, "Geesh!"  
Explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Aayami's mother asks, "Can you make the dog bark?" Aayami pushes the blue button on the animal sound board that has six different-colored buttons. The dog bark sound is heard.  
Explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_

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- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Aiden sees the large dog chewie on the outside of the dog gate. Aiden picks up the chewie and tries to push it horizontally through the bars. It does not fit. After several tries with various bars, he turns the chewie vertically and it slips through.  
Explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Tavi is learning to respond to questions about the location of body parts, such as "Where is your nose?" When Tavi touches his nose, his parents extend his concept learning by saying, "Yes, your nose is on your face." What concept learning are Tavi's parents trying to teach?
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. Abigail looked at her dry cereal pieces on her high chair tray. She repeatedly said, "One-two, one-two."  
Explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. Benjamin rolls his ball into a tower of blocks causing the tower to crash. Delighted, he keeps repeating the action.  
Explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. Using her toy cup, Isabella takes a "drink" and then offers her doll a "drink."  
Explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 13. Ethan rolls his Play-Doh® into a long rope. He repeats this action many times.  
Explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 14. Each morning as Masao's father opens the gate at the head of the stairs, Masao throws a rubber ball and watches it bounce all the way to the bottom of the stairs.  
Explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 15. Hannah has a toy chest in her dollhouse. The chest has a drawer that can be opened. For some time Hannah tried shaking the chest to make the drawer open. Then she discovered the tiny knob and pulled on it. She began using the knob to open the drawer.  
Explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 16. Caleb loves to play "I See." His parents call out directions, such as "Show me the ball under the table" for Caleb to identify.  
Explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 17. Carter asked his teacher for two balls of Play-Doh.® After she said, "No," he broke his into many little pieces. Then smiling, he said, "More."  
Explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 18. Natalie is using a shape sorter. The sphere goes through easily, but the triangle does not fit. After several tries with other shapes, Natalie picks up the triangle again and rotates it until it slides through the hole.  
Explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 19. Ryan wants to help his mother gather the trash, but finds the trash can too large for his outstretched arms and too tall to see over as he walks.  
Explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ 20. When Zoe's cousin visited in her home, Zoe's mother poured one cup of milk into two different-sized glasses. Zoe began to cry about her cousin having more milk.  
Explain your answer. \_\_\_\_\_