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## **Social Emotional and Fine Motor Milestones**

### **3-4 Years**

#### **Social Emotional/ Sensory-Regulatory**

- Attempts challenging activities
- Prefers together play with other children as a group
- Follows turn taking in discourse and is aware of social aspects of conversation
- Shows interest in being a friend
- Boys prefer to play with boys; girls with girls
- Uses imaginary objects in play
- Makes dolls and action figures carry out roles and interact with other toys
- Categorizes and sorts objects
- Shows a sense of humor

#### **Fine Motor**

- Cuts a 5 inch line within ½ inch of the line
- Copies a cross with intersecting lines
- Can drop 10 small items into a bottle within 30 seconds
- Uses tripod grasp on pencil or crayon
- Traces 5 inch straight line within a ¼ inch margin
- Copies a square
- Begins to copy some capital letters
- Draws a person with 2-4 body parts

#### **Red Flags**

- Consistently screaming rather than trying to use words
- Appears overly sensitive to daily grooming tasks (including dressing, bathing, teeth brushing)
- Resists dressing, sleeping, and using the toilet
- Shows no interest in interactive games or make-believe
- Ignores other children or does not respond to people outside of the family

*\*\*If your child does not meet most of these milestones by 4 years old, consider scheduling an occupational therapy evaluation.*