



Development matters	Children only gradually gain control of their whole bodies.
Look, listen, note	Look for ways in which children begin to develop fine motor skills, e.g. the way they use their fingers in trying to do up buttons on a coat, pull up a zip, pour a drink, use a watering can.
Effective practice	Support children's growing independence as they strive to gain control of their bladders and bowels by offering flexible routines and by encouraging and valuing effort.
Play and practical support	Offer choices for children such as potties, small toilets, trainer seats, steps, and recognise and support their fascination with bodily functions.

Walkers, Talkers and Pretenders ●