

ASL: American Sign Language

Unit 3 Curriculum Support for Infants & 1YOs

(November 30 – January 15)

Infants commonly get frustrated because they are unable to communicate their wants and needs with their care giver. When infants learn sign language before they are able to talk, they are able to communicate in an appropriate way. Research also shows that children who learn sign language early also begin to speak earlier as well!

**** Please also review and continue to integrate the signs introduced in [Unit 1](#) & [Unit 2](#).**



Sign Babies

Sign: Water

Don't expect the signs to look perfect. Babies might do the signs a bit differently, since their fine motor skills are not as advanced as yours are. If you think your baby is trying to sign something, help her out. Say, "Oh! Are you signing WATER? Do you want some WATER?" and continue to make the sign correctly.



Sign Babies

Sign: Ball

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Don't set aside time to sign, just incorporate it into your day, keeping it simple and fun.

Out/Outside



Out/Outside
Pull one hand out of the other hand.

Sign: Out/Outside

This sign is simply to incorporate into your day naturally as children play with nesting toys or put things in and pull things out of boxes/containers. It's also a great way to signal that you are going outside!