



# Baby Monkey Main Activity



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## You will need:

PDF of a tree, or draw your own tree  
Prestik or tape to attach the tree picture to a flat/ upright surface  
String, wool or ribbon  
Different coloured balloons.



## Method:

1. Place your tree on the flat or upright surface, depending on the age and ability of your baby.
2. Blow up the balloons and tie the string around the end.
3. Attach the string to the tree using tape or prestik.
4. Place your baby in one of the developmental positions to reach for the fruit on the tree.
5. Choose a position that your baby can achieve depending on their age and ability. Challenge your baby to try the same game in different positions with your assistance as needed.
6. Point to the balloons, and move them to attract your baby's attention.

Help your baby to try to swipe/knock the balloons from side to side and to pull them off the tree, and praise their efforts!







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## Developmental positions:

1. **Lying on their back:** Paste the tree on an upright surface and assist your baby to kick the balloons.
2. **Sitting on your lap or with support:** Encourage or assist your baby to reach for the balloons, and to try to pull the balloons off the tree.
3. **Kneeling:** Place your baby against a support such as the couch, and either place the balloons flat on the seat.
4. **Standing and cruising:** Attach the tree to an upright surface, (Couch or wall) and encourage or assist your baby to reach for the balloons, and to try to pull the balloons off the tree.

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