

Object Permanence Box

Activity Sheet · 0–1 yrs · Sensorial · Infant

Core Concept

Objects continue to exist even when they can no longer be seen.

Four Guided Activities

Ball & Return. Sit baby comfortably. Slowly drop the ball into the hole. Pause, then reveal it in the tray. Repeat with soft narration: 'Where did it go? ... There it is!'

Guided Grasp. Place the ball into baby's hand. Gently guide their hand over the hole and help them release. Celebrate the reappearance.

Turn-Taking. You drop, baby watches. Then baby drops, you watch. This builds early social reciprocity.

Language Layer. Name colours, textures, and actions: 'smooth wooden ball, in the box, out of the box.'

Developmental Milestones to Observe

- Tracks the ball with their eyes
- Reaches with intention
- Releases object on purpose
- Anticipates the ball's return

Observation Journal

Use the boxes below over a two-week period. One line per session.

Date	Session length	What absorbed them	Next presentation