



## What to buy

# INFANTS AND TODDLERS

**B**abies and toddlers are pretty easy to please. They might like the boxes these toys come in just as much as they like the toys, but Mom and Dad will appreciate

that their little ones are learning, exploring, and working on those motor skills. (Or, you know, maybe just looking really cute.)  
— NICKI GORNY, BLADE STAFF WRITER



### Mega Bloks

Mega Bloks are just the right size for little hands. And Mom and Dad might appreciate that, if you step on them, they won't hurt nearly as much as the much more delicate Legos. Mega Bloks 80-piece Big Building Bag, \$14.99, Walmart, 2925 Glendale Ave.



### Hats and mittens

Everything is cuter when it's tiny, and a practical winter-time hat-and-mitten set is no exception. Bowinkles Boutique is on board with this year's pom-pom trend with its beanies and matching mittens for boys and girls. Peppercorn Beret Beanie with Faux Fur Pompom, \$28, Peppercorn Bow Mittens, \$25, Bowinkles Boutique, 5627 Main St., Sylvania.

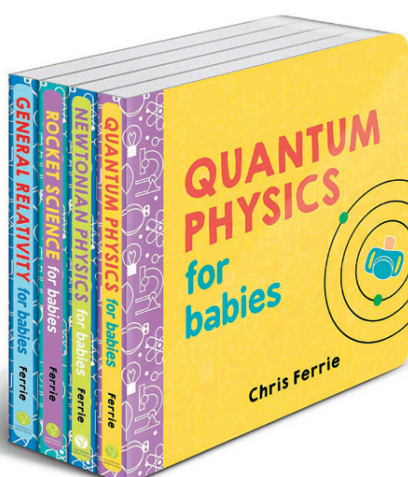


### Turtle Activity Mirror

With its domed mirror, detachable toys, and bright colors, this activity mirror is sure to entertain. Attach it to a crib or car headrest, or flip it over for tummy time. \$16.99, Target, 5225 Monroe St.

### Quantum Physics for Babies

Author Chris Ferrie adorably simplifies quantum physics, rocket science, general relativity, and more in his series of Baby University board books. Mom and Dad might learn something too. \$9.99, Barnes & Noble, 4940 Monroe St.



### Constellation Night Light

This plush turtle turns bedroom ceilings into starry nights, complete with eight actual constellations. It's a soothing bedtime touch that little ones won't be quick to outgrow. \$29.99, toysrus.com.



### Chatter Telephone

Baby will probably never need to dial an actual rotary telephone, but that doesn't make this classic Fisher Price toy any less fun. Gift-givers who prefer an update can check toy store shelves for plenty of chunky toy cell phones too. Chatter Telephone, \$9.99, Toys R Us, 5025 Monroe St.

### Oball 2-in-1 Roller

Easy-to-grip Oballs can be found in a wide variety of baby and toddler toys: rattles, cars, rocket ships, rubber ducks, you name it. This rattling 2-in-1 roller, with removable ball, looks like a particularly good time. \$19.99, Learning Express, 5577 Monroe St., Sylvania.



### Little Pnuts

Little Pnuts is a subscription toy service, so it curates a quarterly delivery of three to five toys that reflect a baby's age and milestones. Each toy is organic, sustainably produced, and battery-free. \$240 for full-year subscription, littlepnuts.com.



### Yookidoo Spin 'N' Sort Spout Pro

There are lots of fun gears and stackable cups for little ones to explore with this bathtub toy. It draws water from the tub so parents don't have to worry about wasting water or too-hot taps. \$34.95, Amazon.com.



### Trendy Bubs

Trendy Bubs offers hipster duds to the little ones who are probably already Instagram stars. Leggings, harem pants, and kimonos are just a few of the options that this online shop, co-founded by a Toledoan, is selling this season. Denim with Grey French Terry Hooded Cardigan, \$38, trendybubs.com.

\* Prices and availability subject to change.



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