



Watch Me Grow Series Characteristics

Physical Development

- Healthier, faster and noticeably more mature in appearance
- Change from awkward and clumsy to poised and graceful
- Still leave things incomplete, like going from one activity to another
- Are almost always very hungry
- Like to stay up longer at night
- Lose sense of caution, may have more accidents

Mental Development

- Are curious about everything
- Have faster responses
- Like to swap and barter
- Are interested in the insides of things, how things work
- Want to explore the unfamiliar
- Love to talk, exaggerate and dramatize
- Like to collect things
- Learn to appreciate quality
- Usually have a crude sense of humor
- Develop a sense of ownership and a sense of money
- Usually enjoy school
- Make transition between school and home more easily
- Can work more independently
- Like trips to new places

Social And Emotional Development

- Quicker in adjusting to people and situations
- Still want to be praised for everything they do
- May be very jealous
- May still quarrel with playmates and schoolmates
- Are learning how to be good sports when they lose
- Love to talk enthusiastically, extravagantly, and dramatically, demanding complete attention
- Are ready to tackle new things and show considerable courage
- Can shift rapidly from one interest to another
- Are critical of others and of themselves, do not like criticism from others
- Usually behave better when away from home
- Are less helpful at home
- Like to be rewarded for good behavior
- Are more demanding and exacting of mothers
- Begin to form intense friendships, usually with members of same sex, often older ones
- Hate to play alone, want friends who will cooperate fully



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