

SPAH Kids: Parent-Child Interaction

What happens during the parent-child interaction?

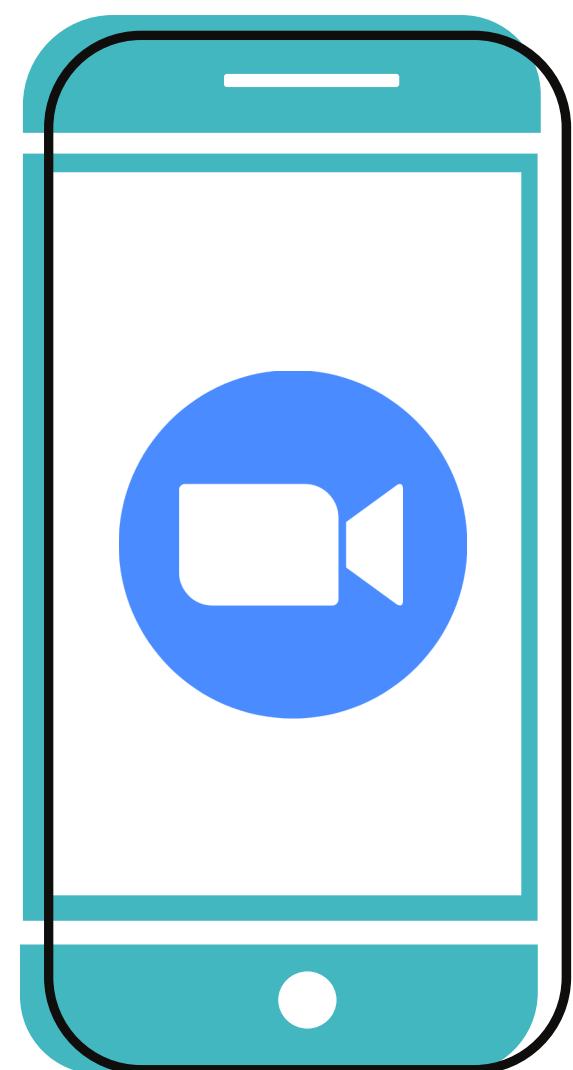
You and your child play together!

During sessions 2 (12-23 months) and 4 (24-39 months), you and your child will play with a couple toys, share a book, and our research staff will conduct a short interview with you over Zoom. The session will last about 45 minutes. It will be recorded.



What do my child and I need to participate?

- 1-2 toys your child plays with often (e.g., blocks, cars/trucks, dolls/action figures) **Please avoid electronics as toys.**
- 1 new toy, mailed home to you
- 1 new children's book, mailed home to you
- **1 phone, preferably**, or laptop with the Zoom application downloaded.
- 1 Tripod/phone-holder, if mailed home to you
- 1 LENA audio recorder and vest, if mailed home to you



We are here to help!
Contact the SPAH Kids Team with any
questions at:
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How can I prepare for the interaction?

Pick an open space to play together!

- Such as sitting on the floor or at a table together where you and your child can be on the same level.

Pick a place to keep your phone close, but out of the way.

- Such as on the tripod at the other end of the table or on a bookcase nearby.



What do I do during the interaction?

Play with your child the same way you usually do!

- Please speak to your child in the language you feel most comfortable, whether English, Spanish, Russian, or Swahili.
- Have fun together!



Try to keep you and your child in view of the camera.

- We know children like to move around when they play. Please call your child back to you if they leave the view of the camera.



Let us know if you or your child need a break!

- Ask for a break at any time. We can wait!



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