

Developmental Red Flags (4-5 Years)

- Exhibits extremely aggressive, fearful or timid behavior
- Is unable to separate from parents
- Is easily distracted and unable to concentrate on any single activity for more than 5 minutes
- Shows little interest in playing with other children
- Refuses to respond to people in general
- Rarely uses fantasy or imitation in play
- Seems unhappy or sad much of the time
- Avoids or seems aloof with other children and adults
- Does not express a wide range of emotions
- Has trouble eating, sleeping or using the toilet
- Cannot differentiate between fantasy and reality
- Seems unusually passive
- Cannot understand prepositions ("put the cup on the table"; "get the ball under the couch")
- Cannot follow 2-part commands ("pick up the toy and put it on the shelf")
- Cannot give his first and last name
- Does not use plurals or past tense
- Cannot build a tower of 6 to 8 blocks
- Holds crayon with fisted grasp
- Has trouble taking off clothing
- Unable to brush teeth or wash and dry hands