# Activity sheet 1.8: Bonding and attachment

Learning aim A: Understand human growth and development across life stages and the factors that affect it

Learning aim A1: Human growth and development across life stages

Bonding and attachment are the emotional ties that develop between a parent and their infant over the first years of life.

1. Read about Callum below. Discuss the scenario with a partner, then answer the questions.

Hint

Refer to the stages of attachment before you answer.

**Callum is 9 months old and lives with his father, Paul. Paul has been offered a new job, which means Callum will be starting nursery next week.**

1. How is Callum likely to react when he is left at the nursery?

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1. Give a reason for your answer.

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1. List four ways infants are dependent on their parent(s). One example has been given for you.

i. To bathe and keep them clean

ii. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

iii. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

iv. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. List three ways infants and young children have developed their independence by the end of the infant stage.

i. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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