

Dr. Simpson: What are some common examples of young children making predictions as they go about their day?

Laura: Children are predicting not only our responses, but what might happen in their physical space constantly.

It seems to be the fabric of the work of their lives. So that seems to be what they're doing with most of their time. So it's hard to say that it's happening at one point rather another -- rather than another -- especially for the littlest one, more -- because it seems to be their -- their -- sort of their business of what they're going about all day long.

So whether it's in an interaction with another child -- "What will happen if I do this?" -- they're expecting a particular reaction, and when it doesn't happen, that way you can see that their prediction didn't -- didn't exactly come true and how that takes them by surprise. Or in the way they manipulate different objects or materials that you have for them to play with in their environments or outside.

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