Steps for Introducing a Cup

- 1. Choose a cup small enough for your baby to hold easily.
- 2. Choose an appropriate drink for your baby's age.
- 3. Only put a 1 2 ounces in the cup.
- 4. Offer the cup during seated meals and snacks.
- 5. Start slow, give the cup at only one meal or snack at a time.
- 6. Role model drinking out of a similar cup often.
- 7. Be patient with spills and messes. They are part of learning!
- 8. When your baby is ready, offer a cup at another meal or snack.

The chart below shows what drinks are appropriate for your baby's age.

