

Learning to lie: Early forays

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Some time ago, I was visiting a family with small children, and I found the two-year-old middle child with a marker in her hand suspiciously close to some fresh marks on the living room couch. The following conversation ensued:

“Who drew on the couch?”

— *My older sister.*

“Your older sister isn’t home.”

— *The baby.*

“The baby can’t reach this.”

— *The dog.*

“You don’t have a dog.”

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