

Parent/Caregiver Interview (EI/Preschool version)

Child's name: _____ Date of birth: _____

Person's name giving this information: _____

Relationship to the child: _____

Today's date: _____

Dear Parent or Guardian,

In order to provide your child with an appropriate education, we need to know about his or her language and education background. There are no right or wrong answers to the questions below. Your honesty and thoughtfulness in answering these questions is greatly appreciated and will directly benefit your child's education.

If there is more than one language spoken in your house, please feel free to include them all in your answers.

History: When your child was a baby/young child:

1. At what **age** did your child begin to speak? N/A Child is nonverbal [*skip to #5*]

At what age did your child babble? _____ At what age did your child say his/her first words? _____ At what age did your child begin to use phrases? _____

2. Were there any concerns when your child first began speaking?

3. In what language did your child say his/her first words?

4. In what language did your child speak as a baby or young child?

5. What language(s) did you speak to your child when he/she was a baby or young child? If multiple languages, what percentage of the time did you speak each language to your child?

6. What language(s) did other individuals in your house (other caregivers, babysitters, siblings, relatives) speak to your child when he/she was a baby or young child? If multiple languages, what percentage of the time did they speak each language to your child?

7. What language(s) did you use to sing and/or read to your child when he/she was a baby or young child? _____
8. At what age was your child first introduced to English (through tv, siblings, caregivers, preschool, etc.)? _____
9. How long has your child lived in an English-speaking country? _____

Currently:

1. What language is spoken in the child's home or residence the majority of the time?

2. What language do you primarily speak to your child now?

3. What language does your child primarily speak to you?

4. What language does your child prefer to speak to others at home (siblings, caregivers, babysitters, relatives)?

5. What is the primary language your child is exposed to during social events (playgroups, church events and community activities)?

6. Do you feel your child has difficulty communicating his/her wants and needs?

7. Does your child have difficulty speaking or understanding his/her primary language? _____
8. Do you have any concerns currently about how your child speaks? If yes, what are your concerns? (i.e. delayed speech, stuttering, articulation)?

9. Is your child learning language as well as or as quickly as his/her brothers or sisters?

Other School Experiences:

1. Has your child ever attended preschool/daycare? _____ YES _____ NO
If yes, what was the language used by the teacher/daycare provider? _____
2. Has your child ever received special services to help his/her learning/development?
_____ YES _____ NO
If yes, please explain briefly: _____