

CARING FOR YOUNG CHILDREN

Name: _____

Date: _____

Please answer the following questions to the best of your ability.

What do you enjoy about caring for children? _____

What do you think you have to offer children in your care? _____

In what area of child care may you need improvement? _____

Home Environment

How does your spouse/partner/family feel about having child care children in your care? _____

How will your family be involved in the child care? _____

How do you plan to respond to your child/ren's feelings about having other children in the home, i.e. sharing their toys, and you? _____

Are there any other family members (or adults) who may be in your home during child care hours?

How will you arrange your normal household chores while providing child care? _____

Child Guidance

Why do children misbehave? _____

How would you help children feel good about themselves? _____

An 18-month old child consistently strikes other children when he approaches them. The child who has been hit usually drops their toy and begins to cry. This child takes the toy and runs away. What would you do?

You have a two-year old in your care who has discovered his teeth and the reaction of fear from other children when he bites them. For the third time today he has frightened a one a half year old by biting her. This last time his teeth left their mark and broke her skin. What would you do?

You are taking a group of four children, between the ages of two and five years old on a walk around the block. You are pushing the stroller with the youngest child inside the stroller while one is holding the side of the stroller. The older two have been walking in front of you holding hands. They are now refusing to hold hands and refusing to walk beside each other. You are worried about their safety. What would you do?

A ten-year old child returns from school in the afternoon. Within 15 minutes all of the children in your care seem to loose control. They begin to run around, screaming and knocking toys around. What would you do?

Programming and Knowledge of Child Development

What activities would you provide for:

- a one year old: _____

- a three year old: _____

- a seven year old: _____

What opportunities would you provide for outside play and field trips? _____

How would you strike a balance between the need for structure and flexibility? (i.e. adult directed vs. child directed activities)

What do you view to be the value of play? _____

Health

What precautions would you take to prevent:

- The spread of disease? _____

- Possible poisoning? (food or plant) _____

What would indicate to you that a child is ill? What would you do? _____

Supervision

What measures do you take to ensure the children's safety:

- In the home? _____

- For outside play? _____

- On field trips? _____

In setting limits for children, how would you teach the limits? How would you enforce them?

Cross-Cultural Sensitivity

How would you welcome a child from a different culture? _____

Parent-Provider Relationship

How would you communicate to parents about:

- Child behaviour concerns? _____

- Business concerns (i.e.: fees, hours)? _____

Parent-Provider Relationship continued

How would you support the role of working parents? _____

What do you feel will be your biggest challenge in providing family child care? _____

Signature: _____

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