

CHILD DEVELOPMENT CHECKLIST 3-5 years

Child's Name:	Date of Birth:

C = CONSISTENTLY

U = USUALLY

D = DEVELOPING

EYLF Outcome 3: Children have a strong sense of wellbeing – Child for their own health and physical well being NQS: Areas 1, 2, 3, 5			
Dresses and undresses with little help			
Hops, jumps and runs with ease			
Climbs steps with alternating feet			
Gallops and skips by leading with one foot			
Transfers weight forward to throw ball			
Attempts to catch ball with hands			
Climbs playground equipment with increasing agility			
Holds crayon/pencil etc between thumb and first two fingers			
Exhibits hand preferences			
Imitates variety of shapes in drawing e.g., circles			
Independently cuts paper with scissors			
Toilet themselves			
Feeds self with minimum spills			
Walks and runs more smoothly			
Enjoys learning simple rhythm and movement routines			
Develops ability to toilet train at night.			
Development Summary:			
SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT EYLF Outcome 2: Children have a strong sense of identity – Children learn to interact in relation to others with care, empathy and respect NQS: Areas 1, 5, 6			
Enjoys playing with other children			
May have a particular friend			
Shares, smiles and is co-operative with peers			

Develops independence and social skills they will use for learning and getting on with others at pre-school and school

Jointly manipulates objects with one or two other peers

EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

EYLF Outcome 1: Children have a strong sense of well being – Children become strong in their social and emotional wellbeing. NQS: Areas 1, 5, 6

Understands when someone is hurt and comforts them	
May show preference for same sex playmates	
May show bouts of aggression with peers	
Likes to give and receive affection from parents	
May praise themselves and be boastful	
Development Summary:	

COGNITIVE DEVELOPMENT

EYLF Outcome 5: Children are effective communicators – Children express ideas and making meaning use a range of media NQS: Areas 1, 5

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Understands opposites (big/little) and positional words (middle, end)	
Uses objects and materials to build or construct things, e.g., block	
tower, puzzles, clay, sand and water	
Building towers eight to ten blocks	
Counts five to ten things	
Has a longer attention span	
Talks to self during play – to help guide what he/she does	
Follows simple instructions	
Follows simple rules and enjoys helping	
May write some numbers and letters	
Engages in dramatic play, taking on pretend character roles	
Recalls events correctly	
Counts by rote, having memorised numbers	
Touches objects to count – starting to understand relationship between number and objects	
Can recount a recent story	
Copies letters and may write some unprompted	
Can match and name some colours	

LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT

EYLF Outcome 5: Children are effective communicators – Children use information and communication technologies to access information, investigate ideas and represent their thinking NQS: Areas 1, 5, 6, 7

Speaks in sentences and uses many different words	
Answer simple questions	
Asks many questions	
Talks constantly	
Enjoys talking and may like to experiment with new words	
Uses adult forms of speech	
Takes part in conversations	
Enjoys jokes, rhymes and stories	
Will assert self with words	
Development Summary:	

Comments		
Educator's full name:		
Educator's Signature:	Date completed:	
Educators comments:		
Parent's signature:	Date:	
Parent's comments:		
CDO's signature:	Date:	
CDO comments:		



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