

Key Questions
Assessing Communication and Activities
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Learner's name: _____ Communication partners(s): _____ Description of activity: _____	Date: _____
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Key Questions for Self-Assessment or Observer Assessment	Response	
Is this activity useful to the learner at home with his or her family? How? Why?	Yes	No
Will this activity be useful to the learner as an adult? How? Why?	Yes	No
Are people interacting with the learner clearly identified? How do people identify themselves?	Yes	No
Does the learner trust the person interacting with him/her? How do you know?	Yes	No
Is the learner prepared for the activity with clear cues (e.g., objects, touch, pictures) to develop anticipation? What cues are used?	Yes	No
Does the learner anticipate? How do you know?	Yes	No
Does the activity develop concepts? What concepts are developed?	Yes	No
Are turn taking opportunities incorporated into the activity? How?	Yes	No

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Does the communication partner expand the turns? How?	Yes	No
Does the learner initiate communication? How?	Yes	No
Does the communication partner respond to the learner's initiations? How?	Yes	No
Is the learner given adequate time to respond to the communication partner? How?	Yes	No
Does the communication partner use the communication forms the learner uses while modeling higher forms? What forms did the learner and his/her communication partner use?	Yes	No
Is this a quality conversation? How do you know? What elements of a conversation?	Yes	No
Are there opportunities for choice making? What are the choices? How is the learner given choices?	Yes	No
Are there opportunities for the learner to solve problems? What problem(s)? How does the learner demonstrate problem solving?	Yes	No
Is the learner involved in the entire process of an activity? How?	Yes	No
Is there a clear end to the activity and does the learner understand? How is the end communicated?	Yes	No
Do the learner and communication partner(s) share joy in doing this activity together? How do you know?	Yes	No