

Child Care Basics

... a course for professionals

Activity 4.1 Your Name:

Making an Observation

Watch one child for a period of at least 20 minutes while the child is actively engaged (not while the child is napping or watching television). The child might be by himself or could be with other children or adults. Take notes on what you observe.

Write up your notes and include your thoughts about what this child is learning or what problems he's having with what he's trying to do. If you can, describe things that an adult could do to support or expand the child's learning. (Hint: suggestions should be small - something an adult could say or point out.)

Write up your thoughts in the space below.

Save your work to your computer, then email it to info@patricianananderson.com. Put Activity 4.1 in the subject line.