

Focused Observation Activity

This document will be used within an activity during the Practice-Based Coaching sessions.

Scenario

Jen is a new teacher in the program. She was a lead teacher at a child care center for three years prior to taking this job. This is her first experience having a coach. Along with the other classrooms in her program, she is working on putting teaching practices into place that will help prevent challenging behaviors, making it easier to target school readiness goals. Through the needs assessment process, she and her coach identified child engagement in large group teacher-directed activities as an area to focus support. Along with her coach, she recently set a goal to focus on implementing positively stated classroom rules. Before coaching on this action plan began, the coach observed the children losing focus at large group, causing conflicts between children and a general sense of chaos. This is your first focused observation after you both developed this action plan.

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