

Parent Questionnaire for Assessing the Language Profile of Multilingual Children

Name of the Administering Professional: _____

Date: _____

Mother's Name: _____ Father's Name: _____

1 Basic Information

Information about the Child and the Parents

1.1 Child's Last Name, First Name: _____

1.2 Date of Birth: _____

1.3 Place of Birth and Nationality(ies): _____

1.4 Did the child previously attend another daycare centre? (Location and dates) _____

1.5 Are there any siblings? Number and ages: _____

1.6 What school and professional qualifications does the mother have? _____

1.7 Mother's current occupation: _____

1.8 What school and professional qualifications does the father have? _____

1.9 Father's current occupation: _____

2 Family Languages and Language Use

Languages Spoken By Parents

2.1 Which language(s) does the mother speak? _____

2.2 Which language(s) does the father speak? _____

2.3 How well do the mother and father speak the different languages? (Parents' self-assessment)
Please rate language proficiency on a scale of 0-3: 3 = good, 2 = intermediate, 1 = low, 0 = none.

Mother: _____ Father: _____

2.4 Do you have any communication preferences for the daycare centre?
Who should be the main communication partner? Which communication tools should be used as support, if necessary?
(App, Translator, Google Translation, etc.)

Language behaviour of parents with the child

2.5 Which language(s) does the mother speak to the child?

2.6 In which language(s) does the child reply to the mother?

2.7 Which language(s) does the father speak to the child?

2.8 In which language(s) does the child reply to the father?

Language use in the family

2.9 Which language(s) do the parents speak to each other?

2.10 What language(s) does the child speak with other family members?

Sibling(s):

Grandparent(s):

Aunt(s):

Uncle(s):

Cousin(s):

Other:

Notes on language use in the family:

Language Use in the Child's Social Environment

2.11 Which languages does your child hear and speak in their environment?

Playground: _____

Neighborhood: _____

Friends: _____

Gym: _____

Therapies, Support: _____

Language, Religious & Cultural Centers: _____

Leisure Activities: (e.g., cinema, etc.) _____

Media: (e.g. television, YouTube, etc.) _____

Picture Books: _____

Music: _____

Other: _____

3 Child's Language Development in Different Languages

Early Childhood Language Development

3.1 Which languages does your child speak and since when? (since birth/daycare/in ___ months/years)

L1 _____ Since when? _____

L2 _____ Since when? _____

L3 _____ Since when? _____

3.2 When did your child speak their first words? (Month/Year)

3.3 In which language did they speak their first words?

3.4 When did your child start speaking their first short sentences? (Month/Year)

3.5 How would you rate your child's abilities between each language?

- ☐ All languages are equally good ☐ One language dominates (Which one? _____)
- ☐ Weakness in several languages

3.6 Do you observe any difficulties or peculiarities when your child speaks a particular language? (e.g. vocabulary, grammar, pronunciation, example sentences if applicable; in which languages is this observed?)

Language preferences and behaviour

3.7 While at home, how often does your child talk unprompted?

- ☐ Almost never ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Occasionally ☐ Frequently

3.8 Does your child occasionally mix languages? (If so, do you have any examples?)

Note: Multilingual children often switch between languages (code switching). This is a natural phenomenon in multilingualism.

4 Further Information

Would you like to add anything?

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