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Reflection Paper

Super Groups; Young Children Learning Together

Give Yourself a Hand

Guidance Techniques for Successful Group Times

Name: _____

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1. Guiding children toward positive behaviors in group time takes time and practice. Susan Lazareck, a kindergarten teacher gave a definition of guidance. Please quote that definition.

2. Experienced teachers tell us that effective guidance at group time depends upon what three things:

a.

b.

c.



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3. Chris Emery stated that she always starts group time right away even if everyone is not there yet because...

4. Chris also stated that she usually starts group time with a movement activity. What was her rationale for this?

5. Chris continually scanned the children's faces to make sure that she was keeping their attention. At one point she noticed that several of the children were not looking at her or the book. She did a *transition* activity to regroup and bring the groups attention together. What did she do and how did it work?

6. In the tape Chris guided behaviors and involvement during group time. To do this she used some important elements of planning. Can you list them?
 - a.
 - b.
 - c.
 - d.

7. What is the foundation of guidance according to experienced teachers?



Activity Sheet

Plan a group time activity for the children in your care. Include a song or finger play, an activity for large muscle movement, a story, and an activity to do after the story. Fill out this sheet and return it with your reflection.

1. What was the name of finger play or song that you chose?
2. Describe the large muscle activity.
3. What story did you choose to read to the children?
4. Why did you choose that story?
5. How did you keep the children's attention during the activity?
6. Did you have an opportunity to give positive acknowledgement for good behavior? Explain.
7. Explain what "do messages" you may have had to use to instruct the children.
8. Write about future goals that you have for yourself and the children that you care for regarding group time.



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