



## Parenting Checklists

### Preschool Interview

- Does the school use a developmentally appropriate approach?
- Does the school seem to be a fit with your child's temperament and interests?
- Are you comfortable with the school's style of instruction, its philosophy of nurturing children, and the practices it uses to achieve its goals? *you can understand-what that means in the day-to-day workings of a class.*
- What is the teacher-to-child ratio?
- Are the teachers well trained?
- Are parents free to visit and observe classroom activity?
- Is the school spacious, safe, clean, and up-to-date?
- Are there plenty of age-appropriate materials?.
- Is there time and room for daily physical play?
- How does the school work with the family when a child has issues?
- How are discipline problems handled when it comes to things like hitting or biting?
- Ask about inclusion.
- Look at the mix of kids in the classroom.
- Ask about anything you observe that raises a red flag.