



Educators

Resources, materials and equipment allow for multiple uses, are sufficient in number, and enable every child to engage in play-based learning.

A service reviewed what the NQF Guide said about element 3.2.2 and understood there were several parts to the element.

Resources and equipment:

- 1. that can be used in multiple ways and allow the environment to be regularly rearranged
- 2. that are sufficient in number and accessible so children need not wait very long to use them
- 3. which meet the interests and abilities of all the children using them
- 4. which support all aspects of the program and learning outcomes
- 5. which challenge children and support appropriate risk taking.

Action from critical reflection – identified practice meeting the element description.

Resources and equipment that can be used in multiple ways and allow the environment to be regularly rearranged

Our children spend quite some time using loose parts to create and build on their imaginary play! Here, our Preschool friends used a table made from recycled pallets as the base & added 4 tyres, a milk crate and bits of wood to create their 'wood truck!



What do you have for play that can be used in multiply ways?

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Cherie has a suitcase of books that she can take to different locations both indoors and outdoors. All the children can access to a book to read while she reads.

What resources and equipment do you have that are sufficient in number and accessible, so children need not wait very long to use them?

Resources and equipment which meet the interests and abilities of all the children using them.

Ariella is fascinated with bugs and all living animals. The educators deliberately placed the reels on the grass so bugs will live under them and the children can discover and explore them. If you were to look at Howard Gardner's theories of multiple intelligence, we could say Ariella has a **Naturalist Intelligence**: Children with this type of intelligence will be particularly in touch with nature. Activities they will enjoy and take an interest in include things like gardening or caring for an animal. Essentially, anyone

can learn anything if they can relate it back to something they are interested in.



What resources and equipment do you provide that meet the interests and abilities of all the children using them?

Resources and equipment which support all aspects of the program and learning outcomes.



We must not forget that maintenance of the room comes under the concept of all aspects of the program and children should be provided with resources to clean and maintain their room.

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What resources and equipment do you provide that support all aspects of the program and learning outcomes?	Intentional teaching example with an educator using resources to support play and learning. The Musical Band - 12–18-month-old children.
	Today Miss Kerrie provided learning environments that were flexible and open-ended, (LO - 4:1) by placing saucepans, spoons, lids and bowls onto a mat. Miss Kerrie provided this equipment for the children to revisit their ideas and to extend their thinking (LO - 4:1) about music, sound and how to 'start' learning about rhythm.
Posseurces and equipment which shallongs shildren	Leo and Hamish were enthusiastic learners (LO - 4:1) when they discovered the wooden spoon and started
Resources and equipment which challenge children and support appropriate risk taking.	to hit the tin with it. Miss Kerrie listened for a while
and support appropriate risk taking.	before modelling curiosity and to try new ideas (LO - 4:1) by asking Hamish" What sort of sounds would you make if you banged the tin and then the pan? Would you be able to make a tune?" Hamish showed that he was actively listening and understanding what Miss Kerrie had asked (LO - 5:1) by banging the tin and then the pan. Hamish looked at Miss Kerrie and smiled. Miss Kerrie engaged in enjoyable interactions with the children as they made and played with

Leo and Hamish then joined Miss Kerrie to sing, with Leo doing the actions. Hamish then handed the spoon to Leo. Leo copied Hamish's actions and we started the song again. Leo concentrated on the sounds of the words (LO - 5:2) as he attempted to 'play' his nstruments in tune to the song. Miss Kerrie acknowledged and affirmed both Leo and Hamish's effort and growth (LO - 3:1) by responding " Wow..... Miss Kerrie is so impressed with your learning. Leo ou were really concentrating on beating the music in tune with the words. You are learning things very quickly"

sounds (LO - 5:1) by remarking "This is great. Would you and Leo like to sing 'twinkle, twinkle while you

play the music?"

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	Where are you compared to Kerrie in regard to intentional teaching?

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The EYLF and MTOP says "Critical reflection involves closely examining all aspects of events and experiences from different perspectives.." Pick one of the following reflection points to complete the table below:

- How could you improve the way resources, materials and equipment are organised to strengthen learning outcomes? (example below and in QIP Improvement example)
- Could you do more to help children use resources in different ways?
- How do your resources support children's participation and sense of belonging?

It's hard to see what dress ups there are. I'll just grab what's on top if it looks fun.	make because of the reflection?
	The Room Leader and educators brainstormed better ways to store the dress ups and decided to source a cheap clothes rack and some clothes hangers and start hanging the dress ups.
The dress ups just get thrown into a box. It's messy and uninviting. There's got to be a better way to store them.	They discussed how the items should be grouped ie by size, colour, or type of clothing item. Educators also decided that the job of keeping the dress up area
I'd love to donate some old clothes for dress ups but I'm not sure they'd be used. They just seem to get thrown in a big box in the corner.	tidy could be included in the child helper roster.
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Critically reflect	Write your critical reflection below	What changes did you or will you make
through the eyes of:	Write your critical reflection below	because of the reflection?
a child		
an educator		
your families		
theorist and		
current research		

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Complete your QIP

The information you write below can go directly into your QIP or Self-Assessment Tool (SAT) (NSW ONLY)

Instructions

Please give a recent example of children using resources to learn more about built and natural environments. Please give an example of how you adapt spaces and resources throughout the day, week etc to ensure the environment consistently supports children's participation and learning (Used for QIP Strength example). Please give a recent example of children using resources or equipment to challenge themselves and take appropriate risks. Please give an example of how you adapt spaces and resources throughout the day, week etc to ensure the environment consistently supports children's participation and learning (Used for QIP Strength example). Please give a recent example of children using resources or equipment to challenge themselves and take appropriate risks.
or equipment to challenge themselves and take resources and equipment following critical reflection by
Please explain how you involve children in decisions about what resources to purchase or source? Please discuss how your resources and equipment reflect the local community and/or the way your service collaborates with the community.
If you cannot answer these questions above the you are
not meeting. This means you need to create an improvement plan and make changes to your practice improvement plan and make changes to your practice

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Why are you doing the checklist?

The practices identified in the checklist are what the assessor needs to see you do so they can check you're 'meeting the NQS.' If you embed all the things in the checklist, then you are meeting the Element 3.2.2. If there's something on the checklist that you're not doing, then you need to either adjust your practice to do it, or ask for help and training to do what's on the checklist ie work with your educational leader or room leader who should teach/coach you how to do it.

Name Educator 1

The checklist keys to use.	Name Educator 2					
E = Embedded do that ALL the time	Name Educator 3					
K = I know I need to do that, but I don't do it all the time T = Please teach me how to do it or improve my	Name Educator 4					
understanding of why I need to do it.	Name Educator 5					
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Resources		ED1	ED2	ED3	ED4	ED5
Do you make sure resources suit each child's ag	e, ability and interests and					
support their participation in the program?						
Do you make sure there are enough resources f	or children to access witho	ut				
waiting for long periods?						
Do you source/make available resources that ch	nildren can use in many					
different ways to support their learning eg natu	ral and man-made loose pa	rts?				
Do you make sure children can easily access nat	tural and man-made resour	ces				
• which support their creativity and imaginat	ion, including resources					
supporting dance, drama, music and visual						
 which support their literacy and numeracy in meaningful ways? 						
which encourage problem solving, discovery, experimentation etc?						
which support physical activities that help develop skills like balance,						
flexibility, strength and co-ordination?						
Do you make sure children have opportunities t	o experiment with differen	t				
technologies during leisure/play?						
Do you make sure resources/equipment challer	nge children and encourage					
them to take appropriate risks?						
Do you make sure children can easily access res	ources which provide a ran	ge				
of sensory experiences?						
Practices						_
Do you regularly engage with children in their p	lay/leisure activities and ta	ke				
advantage of opportunities to extend their play	?					
Do you encourage children to try new activities	and experiences?					
Do you encourage children to help choose reso	urces?					
Do you show children how to handle equipmen	• • •					
ongoing use as children become better at using						
Do you regularly provide opportunities for long periods of uninterrupted play,						
and adjust room/group routines to accommodate children involved in play?						

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Do you regularly reorganise the indoor and outdoor environments, with children's help where possible, to maintain/extend children's interest?

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