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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 there's something on the checklist that you're not doing, you need to adjust your practice to do it, or ask for help and training to implement it ie work with your educational/room leader who should teach/coach you how to do it. This process uses the **summative assessment process** from the **new EYLF and MTOP**. Educators review your achievements and capabilities at specified or selected timepoints. Please make a judgement about the path you are on to understanding the element.

The checklist keys to use.

E = Embedded I do that ALL the time

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 understanding of why I need to do it.

Name Educator 1	
Name Educator 2	
Name Educator 3	
Name Educator 4	
Name Educator 5	

Resources	ED1	ED2	ED3	ED4	ED5
Would a visitor to your room see you make sure resources suit each					
child's age, ability and interests and support their participation?					
Would a visitor to your room see you make sure there are enough					
resources, so children don't need to wait for long periods to use them?					
Would a visitor to your room see you source/provide resources that					
children can use in many different ways to support their learning eg					
natural and designed loose parts?					
Would a visitor to your room see you provide natural and designed resour	ces whic	ch:			
 support each child's creativity and imagination eg dance, drama, music and visual arts? 					
support each child's literacy and numeracy in meaningful ways?					
encourage problem solving, discovery, experimentation etc?					
• support physical activities that develop each child's skills eg balance,					
flexibility, strength and co-ordination?					
Would a visitor to your room see you make sure children have					
opportunities to experiment with different technologies?					
Would a visitor to your room see you make sure resources/equipment					
challenge children and encourage them to take appropriate risks?					
Would a visitor to your room see you make sure children can easily					
access resources which provide a range of sensory experiences?					
Practices		Т	1	1	1
Would a visitor to your room see you regularly engage with children in					
their play/leisure activities, and provide extra resources to extend their					
play where relevant?					
Would a visitor to your room see you encourage children to try new					
activities and experiences?					
Would a visitor to your room see you encourage children to help choose					
resources?					
Would a visitor to your room see you show children how to use					
resources/equipment/tools, including suggesting new and different ways					
to use them?					
Do you organise the environment so children can move resources and					
equipment to extend learning?			1	1	

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- How do you ensure the resources provided continue to engage children, and meet their changing interests, abilities and skill levels?
- How well do you encourage and listen to children's suggestions on the resources they'd like or families' views on what resources would engage their children? How could you improve this?
- Are you providing children with different types of resources? What type do your children most enjoy using eg loose part resources that can be used in multiple different ways or resources that do one thing? How will you use this information to improve learning?

Critically reflect through	Write your critical reflection below	What changes did you or will you		
the eyes of:		make because of the reflection?		
a child	I really love playing with loose parts! They're super fun because I can use them in different ways. I can build, create, and make things with them. It's like magic! When I get to choose and play with loose parts, I feel like I'm in charge. I can solve problems, think in different ways, and let me be creative.	We have decided to increase the availability and variety of loose parts resources in our learning environment. We will seek new materials and explore ways to repurpose existing items to offer more open-ended		
an educator	Children enjoy using loose parts resources the most because they stimulate their creativity and offer open-ended play possibilities. To improve learning experiences, I will ensure we have a sufficient supply of loose parts materials and integrate them into various activities and learning areas. I will encourage children to engage with them, observe their interests and preferences, and use their feedback to guide future planning.	play opportunities. We will also observe children's engagement with different types of resources and gather their feedback to inform our planning. By making these changes, we aim to create an environment that supports children's creativity, problem-		
your families	We appreciate the use of different types of resources in our children's learning experiences. We notice how our children are drawn to loose parts resources that allow for open-ended play and exploration. It's inspiring to witness their creativity and problem-solving abilities flourish when given the freedom to engage with these materials. We believe that offering diverse resources supports our children's holistic development and prepares them for future challenges.	solving skills, and diverse learning styles. Through continuous reflection and adaptation, we will ensure that our resources align with the principles of play-based learning and enhance the quality of children's educational experiences.		
theorist and current research	Research shows that loose parts play promotes creativity, problem-solving, and cognitive development. By incorporating diverse resources, we can support children's individuality, agency, and holistic growth.			

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