

Natural Environments Rating Scale

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Tape #: _____ **Length of Tape:** _____ **Rater:** _____ **Date Rated:** _____

SETTING	(Please check applicable setting(s))
Room in the child's home	
Area adjacent to the home (e.g., backyard play area)	
Area in the child's/family's neighborhood (e.g., library; rec center, playground; walks in neighborhood)	
Recreational setting selected and used by family (e.g., gymboree; Y swim program; health club)	
Community setting selected and used by family (e.g., church; restaurants; stores; mall)	
Transportation (e.g., car; bus-public)	
Child care program	
Other:	
ACTIVITY	(Please check applicable activity)
Child/HV, child/caregiver, or child/caregiver/HV are engaged in an activity in which the child's participation is being facilitated or child learning strategies are being embedded.	
An activity is going on with the child but the caregiver/HV are engaged in a discussion that is not related to the way in which the participants are interacting in the activity	
* Caregiver-HV are engaged in discussion, and NO specific activity is occurring with the child.	
* There is NO meaningful interaction (either physical or verbal) between any of the participants.	

* If there is no activity occurring, discontinue coding here.

TYPE OF ACTIVITY	(Please check applicable activit(ies))
Participation in Activity/Routine outside the home: _____ (e.g., participating at a restaurant; participating in story time during child care; riding in the car)	
Self-Care – Eating, Bathing, Dressing	
Playing with toys or other materials by self, with caregiver, with other children	
Motor activities (e.g., swinging; crawling/climbing)	
Socializing with other children	
Communication skills	
Other:	
ENGAGEMENT OF CHILD	(Please circle appropriate response)
How engaged is the child in the activity?	<div style="display: inline-block; width: 20%; text-align: center;">Not engaged</div> <div style="display: inline-block; width: 20%; text-align: center;">Somewhat engaged</div> <div style="display: inline-block; width: 20%; text-align: center;">Very engaged</div>
LEADER OF ACTIVITY	(Please circle appropriate response)
Who initiated the activity?	<div style="display: inline-block; width: 30%; text-align: center;">HV (0)</div> <div style="display: inline-block; width: 30%; text-align: center;">Caregiver (1)</div> <div style="display: inline-block; width: 30%; text-align: center;">Child (1)</div>
MATERIALS	(Please circle appropriate response)
Can the materials used in the activity be found naturally in the setting?	<div style="display: inline-block; width: 50%; text-align: center;">No – unnatural (0)</div> <div style="display: inline-block; width: 50%; text-align: center;">Yes – natural (1)</div>
ROLE OF CAREGIVER	(Please circle appropriate response)
What is the role of the caregiver in the activity?	<div style="display: inline-block; width: 20%; text-align: center;">Not Present (0)</div> <div style="display: inline-block; width: 20%; text-align: center;">Observer (0)</div> <div style="display: inline-block; width: 60%; text-align: center;">Directly interacting with child (1)</div>
ROLE OF HV	(Please circle appropriate response)
What is the role of the HV in the activity?	<div style="display: inline-block; width: 15%; text-align: center;">Passive Observer (no interaction) (0)</div> <div style="display: inline-block; width: 25%; text-align: center;">Active Observer (limited conversation with child and/or caregiver) (0.5)</div> <div style="display: inline-block; width: 15%; text-align: center;">Directing activity with child (0)</div> <div style="display: inline-block; width: 45%; text-align: center;">Facilitating activity between caregiver and child (1)</div>
OVERALL RATING	
Given the ratings above, the overall intervention can be best categorized as:	<div style="display: inline-block; width: 40%; text-align: center;">Setting-provided</div> <div style="display: inline-block; width: 60%; text-align: center;">Participation-based</div>