

**Developmental Observation Topic (DOT) Planning**

Team Name:

Playgroup Age Range:

Session Date:

**DEVELOPMENTAL OBSERVATION TOPIC:**

**FOCUS** (if needed):

*[What specifically will parents observe during play activities and interactions.]*

**Greeting & Welcoming** *[as parents & children arrive]*

**HELLO SONG**

**OPENING DISCUSSION**

**Opening Remarks**

*[Includes Sharing - what new skills observed at home?]*

**Discussion & Main Points:**

*[Note: Write what you plan to say.]*

**Things to Try During Play:** *[placed on poster in play areas]*

*[List these]*

**Parents' Predictions - "the guess"**

*[Discuss how you will elicit parents' predictions about what their child will be interested in and might play with in order to facilitate parent's observations of what their child is learning and feeling.]*

**Transition to Parent-Child Activities:**

*[Discuss what you will do, say, or sing to transition to the activities.]*

**PARENT-CHILD PLAY ACTIVITIES:** *See Session Planning Form*

**SNACK:** *See Session Planning Form*

**SONGS & GAMES:** *See Session Planning Form*

**CLOSING DISCUSSION**

**Transition to Closing Discussion:**

*[Discuss what will be said to transition to Closing Discussion.]*

**Parent Observations** (review predictions/"guesses"):

*[Discuss what you will do and/or say to elicit this discussion.]*

**Discussion & Main Points:**

*[Write what you plan to say & how you will elicit discussion.]*

**Things to Try at Home** (Refer also to Parent Handout)

*[List these.]*

**GOODBYE SONG**