



Small Group Activity: Is This Normal?

The following child is in your program. Read the description and decide “what you would do?” to support this child in your program. As a group decide if the child’s behavior is normal or in need of further assessment. Write down the steps that you would take to support this child. Chose one member of your group to present a brief description of your child and your plan to the class.

Ling Ling is a four year old girl who has recently entered your program. Her parents are students at the local university. Ling Ling spends most of her day in silence. She can be observed watching the other children when during activity time and imitating their actions. Ling Ling can be heard muttering under her breath at times. When playing alone she can be heard making sounds. Although she does not talk directly with the other children she seems to be included in their play especially during outside time. When Ling Ling’s parents come to pick her up she can be seen talking animatedly in Cantonese. Her parents speak fluent English and report that Ling Ling is very happy at your program. You are worried because she either is not talking and making strange sounds. **What would you do?**

Use the space below to record your plan.