

## Infants Questions

### THINGS TO LOOK FOR

- ☐ Are the ratios and group size appropriate for my infant?
  - ☐ Is the setting appealing with comfortable lighting and an acceptable noise level?
  - ☐ Is the environment sanitary, safe and accommodating for the special needs of infants?
  - ☐ Are caregivers holding the infants or engaging with them on the floor?
  - ☐ Do the caregivers seem happy? Are they positively interacting with each other and you?
  - ☐ Do caregivers speak, sing and read to the infants?
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### QUESTIONS TO ASK

- ☐ Am I welcome to drop in at any time?
- ☐ Is there a primary caregiver for my child?
- ☐ Do you have a policy/method for toilet training?
- ☐ How do you handle the transition from bottles to solid food?
- ☐ What is your illness policy for children and teachers? What is your substitute teacher policy?
- ☐ What are meals like? What are naps like?
- ☐ How is each day structured? Is it tightly or loosely scheduled?
- ☐ How will you communicate with us about our infant's learning and development?
- ☐ What is your staff turnover rate?
- ☐ What training do staff members have in infant-toddler development?

- How do you assess an infant's skills, strengths and needs?
  - How do you track developmental milestones?
  - How do you keep your infants engaged with learning?
  - How do you adapt learning activities to meet the needs of each infant?
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## **MY PRIORITIES**

- How do they handle daily parent communication?
  - Are they active on social media?
  - How do they handle discipline? Do I agree with their methods?
  - Do they share my values?
  - How close is this provider to my home or work?
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## **NOTES**

- Would I feel good about leaving my child here?
- Would my child feel good about coming here?
- How did I feel about the director? Were they accommodating to my questions and needs? Do they seem flexible and eager to work with me?
- How was the energy of the place?