# **DEVELOPMENTAL DOMAIN 5**

# Cognitive Development

# **STANDARDS**

# **BENCHMARKS / Example**

# **Approaches** to Learning

# 5.1 Demonstrates positive approaches to learning

# 5.1.1 Engages and sustains attention to age-appropriate tasks

- » Child sustains attention during play, center activities, using manipulatives, etc.
- » Child accepts an invitation to participate in an activity and remains involved

### 5.1.2 Shows eagerness and curiosity for learning Example:

- » Child participates in playing "PeekaBoo"
- Child enjoys taking things apart
- » Child asks inquiry-based questions

#### 5.1.3 Identifies, analyzes, and seeks solutions to problems Example:

- » Child seeks ways to obtain items out of reach
- » Child keeps looking through a pile of letters for those that are in their name

### 5.1.4 Shows inventiveness: plans and pursues appropriate activities Example:

» Child uses new tools in familiar activities and experiences

## 5.1.5 Demonstrates flexibility and adaptability

- Example:
- » Child substitutes objects such as a block for a cell phone or a brush for a microphone » Child adapts to unexpected change in daily schedule

# ART 5.2.1 **Creative** Expression / **Fine Arts**

# 5.2 Creates, interprets, performs, and responds to art, drama, practical arts, music, and movement

# Utilizes a variety of age-appropriate mixed media; handles and cares for tools correctly while using techniques and processes for sensory experience and creative exploration Example:

- » Child engages in various sensory activities
- » Child plays with playdough, rolling and flattening it to make various shapes

#### 5.2.2 Uses art to express thoughts and feelings about the environment and community Example:

- » Child uses art materials to create a picture to represent own thoughts or feelings
- Child creates a picture showing an environment such as family, home, or neighborhood

#### 5.2.3 Describes and explores the characteristics of artwork Example:

- » Child participates in an art show by displaying own art and appreciating other's art
- Child describes the reasoning for the art materials used to create their picture
- » Child explores various artists and their art in picture books

### 5.2.4 Begins to explore and appreciate new concepts, vocabulary, history, and various cultures through art Example:

- » Child makes a piñata and talks about its characteristics and purpose.
- » Child utilizes various shades of crayons for people's skin colors

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#### DRAMA 5.2.5 Responds to dramatic play experiences

# Example:

- » Child displays emotional responses in dramatic play
- » Child imitates simple actions that adults have modeled

#### 5.2.6 Uses props to explore and create enhancement to imaginative play Example:

- » Child uses dress-up clothes to reenact familiar scenarios
- » Child uses objects in nature for creative play

# 5.2.7 Participates in dramatic play to express feelings, dramatize stories, and reenact real-life experiences

- » Child pretends to play house and mimics adults
- » Child role-plays a Bible story and exhibits accurate emotional portrayal

#### 5.2.8 Begins to explore and appreciate history and various cultures through drama Example:

» Child role-plays a story of a historical or cultural event read by an adult

## MUSIC & MOVEMENT 5.2.9

# Explores new and various music types, rhythm, and musical instruments Example:

» Child selects various musical instruments and/or items to make sounds and rhythms

# 5.2.10 Participates in listening, singing, and performing action songs

- Example:
- » Child listens to music individually or in a group
- » Child imitates the motions to a song

#### 5.2.11 Begins to explore and appreciate history and various cultures through music and movement Example:

- » Child plays with instruments from a variety of cultures, such as maracas, rainsticks, etc.
- » Child explores specific movements of cultural songs

# 5.2.12 Uses movement and music to express thoughts, feelings, and creativity Example:

» Child moves around the room expressing various music styles such as marches and glides

# PRACTICAL ARTS 5.2.13

# Begins to participate in the process of learning to sew, cook, woodwork, garden, etc. Example:

- » Child enjoys stirring, mixing, kneading, digging in the dirt, etc.
- » Child practices skills through dramatic play
- Child practices sewing, using sewing cards, and threading large beads, etc.
- » Child helps prepare simple snacks like cutting a banana, spreading jam, etc.

### 5.2.14 Begins to explore and appreciate history and various cultures through the practical arts Example:

- » Child builds a teepee or a log cabin while the teacher talks about First Nations and settlers
- » Child comments: "I would like to live in an igloo" or "I would like to live in a grass hut"

### 5.2.15 Responds to practical art experiences, new concepts, and vocabulary Example:

» Child uses newly learned vocabulary and concepts during play

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## **NUMBERS & OPERATIONS**

# **Mathematics**

5.3 Develops in numbers and operations. geometry, spatial sense, patterns and relationships, measurement, and exploring data

# Uses mathematical terms and counting in context of daily routines, activities, and play Example:

- » Child practices sequencing through calendar, daily schedule, lining up, counting the days of school to 100, etc.
- » Child practices counting through playing games, such as choosing team members, grouping in patterns, and sorting

# 5.3.2 Uses numbers and counting to analyze quantity and number relationships

» Child counts and distributes the number of items needed for an activity

#### Begins to identify numbers in print 5.3.3

# Example:

- » Child identifies numbers through calendar and birthday activities
- » Child identifies numbers during dramatic play
- » Child identifies numbers in the environment

## SPATIAL RELATIONS 5.3.4

# Investigates spatial relationships, recognizes two- and three-dimensional shapes and attributes of common shapes

# Example:

- » Child assembles a puzzle successfully
- Child builds a structure with building materials and can identify their shapes
- Child identifies shapes in the environment

#### 5.3.5 Recognizes, creates, duplicates, and names simple patterns Example:

- » Child duplicates a place setting around a table
- » Child identifies, classifies, and compares a variety of simple shapes
- » Child creates simple patterns using simple shapes

#### 5.3.6 Explores the various kinds of relationships among objects, events, and actions Example:

- » Child recognizes upcoming events on a schedule
- » Child predicts what will happen when a ball crashes into a block tower

#### 5.3.7 Uses and responds appropriately to positional words Example:

- » Child determines where to stand in a line according to height
- » Child places items in order of 1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc.

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COMPARISONS & MEASUREMENTS	5.3.8	Uses a variety of standard and nonstandard means of measurement  Example:  """ Child uses own feet to measure the length of an object  """ Child uses a variety of materials to measure
	5.3.9	Collects, organizes, categorizes, displays, and uses relevant data  Example:  » Child lines up small toy animals by size  » Child uses a graph to sort classmates' favorite colors
	5.3.10	Develops problem-solving skills through the application of different strategies  Example:  """ Child matches shapes in a shape sorter correctly  """ Child successfully assembles a floor puzzle
	5.3.11	Begins to understand time in context of daily routines  Example:  """ Child begins to understand the daily schedule of the classroom  "" Child begins to understand which activity comes before or after another

#### **BENCHMARKS / Example STANDARDS**

# Science

# 5.4 Uses scientific methods to experience physical, life, space, and earth sciences

#### 5.4.1 Begins to understand the scientific method through play (predict, experiment, make discoveries, and describe results)

# Example:

» Child gathers objects from nature to conduct experiments that will lead to new discoveries

### 5.4.2 Interacts with objects and materials to investigate and describe their physical properties Example:

- » Child investigates the forms of water (ice, steam, liquid) and makes a prediction
- » Child collects objects and classifies them
- » Child explores a variety of items in sensory bins, such as sand, feathers, and a variety of textures

#### 5.4.3 Begins to discover characteristics of living and nonliving things Example:

- » Child identifies living and nonliving things by looking at pictures, objects, etc.
- Child uses a magnifying glass to investigate living and nonliving things, such as ants, ladybugs, rocks, sticks, etc.
- » Child explores a real flower versus a plastic flower

#### 5.4.4 Understands that all living things must be cared for Example:

- » Child participates in growing a plant from a seed
- » Child helps to care for a classroom pet

### 5.4.5 Participates in activities to preserve the ecosystem Example:

- » Child helps sort trash for recycling
- » Child helps to clean up the playground

#### 5.4.6 Explores properties of earth and space

# Example:

- » Child begins to understand that the earth is round like a ball or a globe
- » Child begins to understand that the sun provides the earth with heat

#### 5.4.7 Uses senses and simple tools to learn about objects and observe and explore earth, space, and natural phenomena

# Example:

- » Child uses a stick or leaf to pick up and examine an insect
- Child experiences air currents by blowing on a pinwheel
- Child begins to recognize changes in temperature by adding ice to water in water play or watching ice melt to warm water in the sun

# 5.4.8 Uses materials for inquiry, exploration, and discussion of scientific concepts

- » Child explains what will happen when various objects are placed in water (floating or sinking)
- » Child analyzes what took place when something unexpected happened (curtain moves with the breeze)
- » Child observes a caterpillar turning into a butterfly

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# Social **Studies**

5.5 Develops an appreciation of self and others in relationship to social systems, places, economics, civic responsibilities, and events

#### 5.5.1 Develops an awareness and sense of belonging and acceptance as a member of a family, classroom, and community

# Example:

- » Child demonstrates positive social behaviors while in a group
- » Child recognizes and greets a familiar person outside of own family group

### 5.5.2 Recognizes, appreciates, and respects the relationship between people of various ages, genders, abilities, cultures, and ethnicities, through varied experiences and materials Example:

- » Child participates in events such as grandparent's day or international food fairs
- Child demonstrates interest in meeting people and hearing stories from various cultures
- Child demonstrates interest in sharing native language spoken at home

### Understands physical features and characteristics of geography 5.5.3 Example:

- » Child recognizes different land formations (mountains, oceans, beaches, etc.)
- » Child matches different types of houses and clothing to various environments

#### 5.5.4 Develops an awareness of the relationship between people, places, and regions Example:

- » Child identifies other cities or countries where families or friends live
- » Child understands that sometimes different places have different foods and customs

### 5.5.5 Recognizes the relationship between needs versus wants and economic concepts Example:

- » Child identifies needs as food, clothes, shelter, love, etc.
- » Child explains that parents works to earn money to buy food

#### 5.5.6 Realizes that money is used in the exchange of goods and services Example:

- » Child goes with an adult to the store to purchase items
- » Child uses play money in the dramatic play center

#### 5.5.7 Begins to understand social roles and responsibilities in the family, community, and workplace, through play Example:

- » Child assists with family chores, e.g., setting the table» Child serves as the line leader and others follow
- » Child imitates adult occupations through dramatic play

### 5.5.8 Begins to track events of the past, present, and future Example:

- » Child tracks events of the past, present, and future through daily calendar routine
- » Child recalls past events and plans for future events

#### 5.5.9 Participates in discussions about fairness, responsibility, differences, friendship, and authority Example:

- » Child discusses various behaviors as a member of the class family
- Child participates in doing classroom chores
- » Child exhibits fairness to others when following directions

#### 5.5.10 Begins to understand how people can affect environments and take positive actions to show care for the classroom and community in which one lives

# Example:

- » Child participates in a recycling project
- Child helps to keep the classroom orderly
- » Child learns to care for the natural world (animals, gardens, etc.)

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# **Technology**

5.6 Begins to develop an awareness of different forms of technology and media

- Begins to understand how different forms of technology and media help people
  - » Child uses an object as a cell phone to pretend making a call
  - Child plays with a calculator or cash register during dramatic play
  - » Child usés a device to take pictures
- 5.6.2 Begins to use appropriately and independently different forms of technology relevant to the young child Example:
  - » Child uses headphones in the listening center
  - » Child uses a touch screen on a device
- 5.6.3 Begins to appreciate how technology can enrich classroom learning experiences Example:
  - » Child listens to a story or music on a device
  - » Child participates with the teacher in an interactive lesson (e.g., touch pad)
  - » Child is recorded telling their favorite story or family event