

Windows and Mirrors

For every scenario, reflect on what part is a mirror or a window for you. For each mirror, write how it connects to your own belief and for each window, reflect using the "10 questions to ask when you disagree with the family's practice"

A parent comes to you with a baby sling and requests that you or another adult in the program use this to hold their 3-month old infant for 1-2 hours in the morning after the infant is dropped off, and again in the afternoon. The infant is used to falling asleep in the baby sling.

Window

Mirror

The parent of a child who is about to turn two years old tells you that the child will be using the toilet rather than diapers starting today. You have not seen the child give indications of interest in toilet learning. The parent has brought in a bag with a few pair of underwear and pants but not any diapers for the child.

Window

Mirror

An 18-month old child is crying as a parent is trying to drop them off at your program. You suggest that the child might calm down once they leave and offer to sit with the child. The parent insists that they will stay until the child stops crying.

Window

Mirror

A parent comes in and says that her neighbor who also has a 2 ½ year old was showing her the child's work from their program and shows you a pile of worksheets. She would like to know when you will be doing this kind of work instead of just playing all day.

Window

Mirror

At pick up a parent tells you that she has told her three-year old son he is not allowed to play with another child in the program because you mentioned that they had a conflict and were hitting each other. She would like you to keep them away from one another and tells you she has instructed her son to hit the other child if they come near him.

Window

Mirror

A parent comes to you and says that she noticed her almost 3-year old son wearing the plastic high heels from the dress-up clothes when she came to pick him up the day before. She says she would like you to tell him he is not allowed to wear those anymore.

Window

Mirror