ECERS-3 Materials Checklist

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#15 Encouraging children's use of books							
3.1 At least 15 books accessible							
5.1 "Many" means at least 35 books for 20 children.							
7.1 "Wide selection" means a "significant variety" of topics.							
	elated to current	classro	oom activities or theme	S			
Possible topics:							
Differing abilities			Health		□ Nature	/science	
☐ Different cultures	;	□ J	Jobs/work		☐ People		
☐ Different races			/hobbies				
☐ Feelings			/lath				
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#17 Fine Motor	_						
3.1 Total of 10 choice							
		, at lea	ast 1 type from each cat	tegory.			
Interlocking	Art Materials		Manipulatives			Puzzles	
Building Materials							
Bristle blocks	☐ Crayons		☐ Gears	1	blocks	☐ Floor puzzles	
Duplos	☐ Markers		Links		ging beads	☐ Frame puzzles	
☐ Legos	☐ Pencils		☐ Mr. Potato Head	☐ Table	blocks	Knobbed puzzles	
Lincoln Logs	☐ Playdough		☐ Nuts & bolts	☐ Train	tracks	Other (list)	
☐ Tinker toys	☐ Scissors		Pattern blocks	Unifix	c cubes		
Other (list)	☐ Hole punch	es	Pegs with peg	☐ Zip, s	nap, button		
	Other (list)		boards	toys/	vests		
			Pop beads	☐ Other	r (list)		
			☐ Sewing cards				
#18 Art							
	•		r, as needed, or anothe	r surrace to	r use wnen o	carrying out artwork.	
5.1 At least 1 materia		ory	2.0	Callaga	1	T1-	
Drawing	Paints		3-D	Collage		Tools	
☐ Chalk	Fingerpaints		Boxes	☐ Button	I .	Dot markers	
Chalk boards	Tempera pa		☐ Clay	☐ Cardbo		☐ Brushes	
☐ Crayons	☐ Watercolors	•	☐ Modeling	_ tubes		Hole punches	
☐ Dry erase	Other (list)			Cotton		Playdough tools	
boards			☐ Pipe cleaners	☐ Egg car		Rollers	
☐ Markers			Playdough	Feathe		☐ Ruler	
☐ Paper			■ Wood scraps	☐ Felt scr	raps	☐ Scissors	
☐ Pencils			☐ "Junk" (e.g.,	☐ Glitter		Sponge painters	
☐ Pens			cardboard	■ Magazi	ines	Stamps/stamp pad	
Other (list)			tubes, packing	☐ Paper s	scraps	■ Stapler	
			material, etc.)	☐ Paste		☐ Stencils	
			Other (list)	☐ Pom-pe	oms	■ Tape	
				☐ Sequin	I	Other (list)	
☐ Yarn/string							
Other (list)							
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#19 Music and Movement					
3.1 At least 3 music materials					
5.1 At least 10 instruments or if used in group time, at least 1 per child participating. Credit is not given if all material					
are of the same type.					
3.1, 5.1 Recorded music (played by s	taff or children) may count for 1 music	material			
Instruments:					
☐ Bells	☐ Maracas	☐ Tambourine			
☐ Castanets	☐ Piano	☐ Wrist bells			
☐ Cymbals	☐ Rainstick	☐ Xylophones			
☐ Drums	☐ Rhythm sticks	Other (list)			
☐ Electric keyboard	☐ Triangles				
☐ Hardwood blocks with mallet	☐ Shakers				
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#20 Blocks					
*Interlocking blocks (e.g., Legos) or I					
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#21 Dramatic Play

- *Small pretend play materials found in block or fine motor areas do not count in scoring this item.
- 3.1 Some materials for children to act out family roles themselves
- 5.1 Many and varied materials, including dolls, child-sized furniture, play foods, cooking/eating utensils, dress-up clothes plus additional materials or theme

7.1 At least 4 clear examples of materials to represent diversity.

Theme: Housekeeping	Theme:	Theme:	Theme:	Dramatic Play		
	Different Kinds of Work	Fantasy	Leisure	Materials that		
				Reflect Diversity		
Required: Child-sized furniture (stove, washer/dryer, etc.) Cooking/eating utensils Dolls Dress-up clothes for both boys and girls Play food	tools, etc.) Farmer/gardener (rakes, shoves, seed packets, pumpkins, etc.) Firefighter (hose, uniform, buckets, helmet, boots, etc.)	Costumes, including hats, capes, fancy dress-ups, crown, etc. Magic wands or other	Boating Camping Fishing Parties Picnic Sports Vacation	□ Cultural cooking utensils (e.g., wok, etc.) □ Dolls (different races, cultures) □ Equipment used by people with disabilities □ Multi-cultural		
Additional housekeeping materials: Doll clothes Doll furniture (bed, high chair, stroller, etc.) Mirror Play house Stuffed animals Telephone Other (list)	Post office (mail box, envelopes, post cards, mailbag, jacket, hat, etc.) Restaurant (tables & chairs, menus, play money, aprons, etc.) Store (cash register, play food, empty food cartons, bags, pretend money, etc.) Zoo keeper/vet (stuffed or other toy animals, tickets, money, etc.) Other (list)	accessories Simple, non- frightening masks or face paint Things to act out familiar stories Other (list)		dress-up clothes Pretend foods of different cultures Other (list)		

#22 Nature/Science									
3.1 At least 5 nature/science materials from 2 categories									
3.3 Sand or water with appropriate toys accessible									
5.1 At	least 15 materia	ls w	ith some from each	of t	he 5 categories, inc	cludi	ng at least 5 nature/scie	nce	books.
			d as 1 of the 15 mar						
7.2 Red	7.2 Requires one or more pets/plants that children can observe, help care for, and that are talked about with children.								
Living	Living Things Natural Objects Factual Books/ Nature/Science Tools Sand or Water with								
Childre	en Can			Nat	ture-Science			Toy	ys (indoors or
Observ	ve Closely or			Picture Games				out	tdoors)
Care F	or								·
	nt farm		Birds' nest		Books (5		Binoculars/Viewers		Buckets
☐ Aq	quarium with		Collections of		required for		Color paddles		Funnels
	h, snails or		seeds		22.5.1)		Kaleidoscope		Measuring
	her animals		Different types		Board games		Lifting objects with		cups/spoons
☐ Bu	*		of wood		Matching game		levers/pulleys		Pails
	tching kit		Insects in		(e.g., body		Magnets &		Rakes
	ass pet		transparent		parts)		magnetic/non-		Sand molds
	gs that hatch		plastic		Plastic animals		magnetic things		Scoops
	ants		Leaves		(realistic)		Magnifying glasses		Shovels
☐ Wi	indow bird		Nuts		Puzzles with		Matching texture		Sifters/Sieve
	eder		Pinecones		nature pictures		boards		Spray bottles
	orm farm		Rocks		or natural		Microscope and		Turkey baster
☐ Otl	her (list)		Seashells		sequences		slides to look at		Trowels
			Wood		Videos		Prisms		Unbreakable
			Other (list)		Other (list)		Sensory bottles (oil		Containers (e.g.,
							and water, etc.)		plastic bowls)
							Smelling cans with		
							different things		
							Tornado tubes		
							Using a rain gauge to		
							record how much		
							rain fell		
							Other (list)		

#2	#23 Math Materials and Activities					
*Credit not given for posters, books, and other displayed materials nor play materials with written numbers.						
	* A material may only be counted in 1 category.					
3.1	3.1 At least 2 materials from each of the 3 categories					
5.1	At least 10 materials total, with a	at lea	ast 3 from each category			
Counting/Comparing Quantities Measuring/Comparing Sizes and Parts of Familiarity with Shapes					miliarity with Shapes	
		W	nole (Fractions)			
000 000 00 00 0	Abacus Beads with bead patterns Chart and graph activities for children to use by placing materials into cells Dice/dominoes Five/ten frame cards Games that require children to figure out more or less Games with dice Pegboards with numbers printed and holes to match Playing cards Puzzles where written numbers are matched to quantities Small objects to count into numbered containers Unifix cubes Other (list)		Balance scale with things to weigh Bathroom scale Games where halves are matched to the whole (fractions) Games with parts to divide and put back together to make the whole Height chart if regularly used to measure children's growth Math links Measuring cups and spoons with materials to measure Nested cups Puzzles with geometric shapes that must be put together Graduated puzzles Rulers, yardsticks, tape measures Shapes-matching games where geometric shapes are divided into parts (fractions) Thermometer Other (list)	0 0 000 000 0	Attribute blocks of different sizes, shapes, colors Geoboards (boards with pegs to which rubber bands are attached to make shapes) Magnetic shapes Parquetry blocks with patterns Puzzles with different geometric shapes Shape sorters Shape stencils Unit blocks with image/outline labels on shelves used during clean up Other (list)	

#25. Understanding Written Numbers						
3.1 Some print numbers in display materials						
5.1 At least 3 different play materials that help show children meaning of print numbers						
Print Numbers in Display Materials						
*Must have pictures that show what the		Print Numbers				
number means.						
Signs for number of children allowed	☐ Calculator	☐ Matching picture/number cards				
in center with stick figures/object to	☐ Cash register	Puzzle with numbered fingers on				
represent the number	Counting books	one hand				
Poster with numbers and	Magnetic numbers	Puzzles with number on one piece				
corresponding image showing that	Number lacing cards	and that number of dots on				
number of objects	☐ Number puzzles	matching piece				
Other (list)	☐ Telephones	☐ Simple number card games				
	☐ Toy clock	Other (list)				
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#26 Promoting Acceptance of Diversity

*Materials must be easily visible for credit. Books should be easy to find by looking at book covers.

NOTE: See p. 64 in ECERS-3 scale: One example consists of a contrast in diversity. Examples may be found in one item (such as a picture of children showing a child with a disability and one without) or two separate items stored close together (such as a two dolls of different races in the dramatic play area or small people of different ages in the block center).

- 3.1 At least 3 examples of racial/cultural diversity in materials
- 5.1 At least 2 different types of dramatic play props representing different races or cultures.
- 5.2 At least 10 positive examples of diversity with at least 1 example each of books, displayed pictures, play materials *Materials may be counted in either 5.1 OR 5.2, but not both.

5.3 Classroom materials include at least 4 of the 5 types of diversity.

	Tally or list materials:	
Books	Race	
*Examples should be easy to find by looking at book covers.	□ Culture	
	□ Age	
	□ Differing abilities	
	□ Non-traditional gender role	
Displayed Pictures	Race	
*Do not count pictures of children and their families.	□ Culture	
	☐ Age	
	□ Differing abilities	
	□ Non-traditional gender role	
Play Materials	Race	
*Examples: dolls, puppets, play food, cultural cooking utensils,	□ Culture	
small people figurines,	☐ Age	
wheelchair for dolls, musical	□ Differing abilities	
instruments from various cultures, puzzles, etc.	□ Non-traditional gender role	