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Dear Parents,

The best way we can help your child be a successful learner is to be aware of his learning style and work in harmony with your little one. Be sure to share with your child's teacher some of your observations about how your child learns best and his preferences. For example, is he more comfortable with less noisy stimulation? Share any comforts and discomforts you have noticed.

Fill in the information below and return it to your child's teacher. It will help us offer just the right level of challenge for your child.

1. Is your baby a visual learner—one who likes to play peek-a-boo and nose-wrinkling games while you grin at each other? \_\_\_\_\_

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2. What other kinds of games does she enjoy? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. Does your baby startle easily to loud sounds and noises? What kinds of songs or clapping games does your baby enjoy? \_\_\_\_\_

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4. When you put your 3-month-old down on the floor on a warm receiving blanket, does she balance her head easily? \_\_\_\_\_

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5. Does she enjoy games where she can follow a toy with her eyes while lying on her stomach?

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6. Is your 5-month-old baby a roly-poly who does not show much interest yet in rolling over?

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7. How many sounds is your baby vocalizing? How does she respond when you talk to her?

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8. By 10 months, how well does your baby use her second finger to point to toys she wants or a cookie in her daddy's hand that tempts her?

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9. How well is your toddler able to use wrist control to pick up food on a spoon? \_\_\_\_\_

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10. How high is your toddler's activity level? Does he enjoy running about? Does he wriggle alot or lie fairly still during diaper changing?

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You can create optimal learning patterns for your child because you know his secret joys, his special needs, signs of tiredness, or need for extra hugs. Because you are tuned in to your child's unique tempos and styles, you will become more confident in creating ways to "lure" your little one into early learnings. And you will be loving enough to step back and give him more time to learn more basics when he needs to.