Social Attributes Checklist
Child's Name:
Date:
Observation # Circle one: 1 2 3 4
I. INDIVIDUAL ATTRIBUTES
The child:
Is <i>usually</i> in a positive mood
Is not excessively dependent on the teacher, assistant, or other adults
Usually comes to the program or setting willingly Usually copes with rebuffs adequately
Shows the capacity to empathize
Has positive relationships with one or two peers; shows capacity to really care
about them, miss them if they are absent
Displays the capacity for humor
Does not seem to be acutely lonely
SOCIAL SKILLS ATTRIBUTES
The child usually:
Approaches others positively
Expresses wishes and preferences clearly; gives reasons for actions and
positions
<ul><li>Asserts own rights and needs appropriately</li><li>Is not easily intimidated by bullies</li></ul>
Expresses frustrations and anger effectively and without escalating
disagreements or harming others
Gains access to ongoing groups at play and work
Enters ongoing discussion on the subject; makes relevant contributions to
ongoing activities
Takes turns fairly easily
Shows interest in others; exchanges information with and requests
information from others appropriately
Negotiates and compromises with others appropriately
Does not draw inappropriate attention to self
Accepts and enjoys peers and adults of ethnic groups other than his or her own Interacts nonverbally with other children with smiles, waves, nods, and so
forth
PEER RELATIONSHIP ATTRIBUTES
The child:
Is usually accepted versus neglected or rejected by other children
Is sometimes invited by other children to join them in play, friendship, and work
Is named by other children as someone they are friends with or like to play
and work with

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