

# Observation of well-being and involvement in babies and toddlers

## The Scale for involvement

Level	Involvement	Signals
1	Very Low	<p>The Child hardly shows any activity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– No concentration: staring, daydreaming</li> <li>– An absent, passive attitude</li> <li>– No goal-orientated activity, aimless actions, not producing anything</li> <li>– No signs of exploration and interest</li> <li>– Not taking anything in, no mental activity</li> </ul>
2	Low	<p>The child shows degree of activity but which is often interrupted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Limited concentration: looking away, fiddling, dreaming etc</li> <li>– Being easily distracted</li> <li>– Action only leading to limited results</li> </ul>
3	Moderate	<p>The child is busy the whole time, but without real concentration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Routine actions, brief activities</li> <li>– Limited motivation, no real dedication, does not feel challenged</li> <li>– The child does not gain deep-level experiences</li> <li>– Is not absorbed by the activity</li> <li>– Does not use his / her capabilities to full extent</li> <li>– The activity does not challenge the child's imagination and mental capacity</li> </ul>
4	High	<p>There are clear signals of involvement, but these are not always present to their full extent:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– In general the child is absorbed by the activity</li> <li>– Most of the time there is real concentration, but the attention is sometimes distracted</li> <li>– The child feels challenged, there is a certain degree of enthusiasm</li> <li>– Uses his / her capabilities</li> <li>– Uses his / her imagination and mental capacity</li> </ul>
5	Very high	<p>The child is busy without interruption and is completely absorbed in the activity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Uninterrupted concentration, absorbed by the activity, forgets the time</li> <li>– Very motivated, feels strongly appealed</li> <li>– Cannot be distracted</li> <li>– Alert perception, attention for details, precision</li> <li>– Constantly addresses all his / her capabilities and possibilities</li> <li>– Strong mental activity: imagination and mental capacity are in top gear</li> <li>– Gains new and deep-level experiences</li> <li>– Enjoys being totally involved</li> </ul>