Instructional Materials (Pre-K) Statement Builder Prompts

PROMPT	WRITER'S TIPS
How does the program ensure that the	Writer's Tips and Think Abouts
materials selected and used are developmentally appropriate for the children enrolled in the program? (Level 5 requires materials, resources and technology)	~ Describe how materials, equipment and spaces are selected and used to make sure each child can participate in planned activities.
	~ How do the materials support the children's developmental levels?
	~ How does the program select and use materials to support some children's development and learning while challenging other children?
	~ How are families and other professionals consulted to learn more about each child's needs?
	~ How does a child's IFSP or IEP inform the materials selected and how they are used?
	Examples:
	~ Developmental levels of the children
	~ Ages of the children
	~ Learning domains
	~ Differences in the ways children learn
	 Information from Individualized Family Service Plans (IFSPs) and Individualized Education Programs (IEPs), when provided by families



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How are the children's preferences taken into account when materials are chosen to ensure the children's interest? (Level 5 requires materials, resources and use of technology)	Writer's Tips and Think Abouts
	~ Describe the materials, equipment, toys, and spaces the program provides that represent the interests of the children in the program. Consider both indoor and outdoor spaces.
	~ How are the choice of materials affected by what is known about the children?
Where are materials kept to make them	Writer's Tips and Think Abouts
easily accessible to the children? (Level 5 requires materials, resources and use of technology)	~ Describe how the environment is arranged so the materials are within reach. Include how special materials/equipment are used to ensure that all children can participate in every activity (ex. child-size furniture, cups and utensils designed for children, different types of scissors, a variety of art materials and equipment, adapted motor equipment - tricycles with block pedals).
What kinds of materials are chosen that	Writer's Tips and Think Abouts
support children of all abilities? (Level 5 requires materials, resources and use of technology)	~ Describe the developmental levels of children in the program and the materials and equipment provided to meet their developmental needs.
	~ How are materials used to make sure children are challenged and supported?
How are materials that promote multiple modes of exploration and learning selected? Give examples. (Level 5 requires materials, resources and use of technology)	Writer's Tips and Think Abouts
	~ How do the materials and equipment selected support different learning domains?
	~ What materials and equipment are available to support a variety of learning preferences (ex. visual learning, auditory learning, kinesthetic learning, social- emotional learning)?
	~ How are materials/equipment and indoor and outdoor spaces used to encourage children's curiosity, exploration, and discovery?



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What kinds of materials are selected that reflect the children's primary languages and cultural backgrounds? (Level 5 requires materials, resources and use of technology)	Writer's Tips and Think Abouts
	~ Describe the materials, equipment, toys, and spaces the program provides that represent the backgrounds, culture, and home language of the children in your program.
	~ What role, if any, do families play in the selection and use of materials and equipment in your program?
How do the instructional materials, resources,	Writer's Tips and Think Abouts
and technology support instructional outcomes? (Level 5)	~ Describe how materials, equipment, toys, and spaces reflect the curriculum and the children's development and learning goals.
How are the instructional materials, resources, and technology designed to engage students in meaningful learning? (Level 5)	Writer's Tips and Think Abouts ~ Describe how materials, equipment, toys, and spaces are used to help children connect prior learning with new information and concepts. ~ How are instructional materials used to help children retain and apply new information and concepts?
What role do students play in selecting and adapting instructional materials, resources, and technology? (Level 5)	Writer's Tips and Think Abouts ~ Describe how students participate in selecting and adapting materials to meet their interests and needs.

