

Foster Care Placement Call - Questions to Ask

General Information	
1	Name
2	Age
3	Birthday
4	Child's Assigned Worker
5	Does the child have any siblings?
	<i>If so, where are they now?</i>
	<i>Are you looking for a placement to take siblings together?</i>
6	Medical Information:
	<i>Diagnosed or suspected medical needs</i>
	<i>Allergies</i>
	<i>Special services/appointments required</i>
7	What languages does the child speak? More than one?
8	What is the race/ethnicity and religion of the child?
	<i>Are there cultural requirements/requests to be considered for this child</i>
Child's Background	
9	Why is the child in foster care?
10	How long has the child been in foster care?
11	How many moves has the child had?
12	Are there special routines the child is used to? Schedules to keep in mind?
Visitation	
13	How often does the child have visitation with their birth family?
14	Who gets visitation (Mom, Dad, other relatives?)
15	Where are the visits held?
16	If the child has siblings not in my home, do they have visitation with them?
School	
17	Is the child in school or do they need to be registered?
	<i>What school do they currently attend?</i>
	<i>Are they able to transfer to the local school?</i>
18	How are they doing in school?
19	Is the child receiving any special services from the school?
Time Frame / Permanency	
20	Is there an estimated Foster Care time frame?
21	Has kinship been considered or ruled out?
22	Has the child's parent been working on their case plan?
Other Questions	
23	Has the child been around pets (cats, dogs)?
24	Has the child been in a home with other children (bio siblings, foster siblings, etc.?)
25	Does the child have any belongings with them? Clothing, etc.
26	Time frame of arrival (today, in a few days, etc.)
27	Personality Traits / Interests
28	What do you see being the biggest challenge or hurdle for this child? Or for me?
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