

## THE PORTAGE GUIDE BIRTH TO SIX DEVELOPMENTAL AREAS AND STRANDS

### COMMUNICATION/ LANGUAGE/LITERACY

1. Communication
2. and Language
3. Early Reading

### SOCIAL EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

1. Relationships
2. Emotional Response
3. Interactions with Others
4. Social Play Development
5. Creative Self-Expression

### EXPLORATION/ APPROACHES TO LEARNING

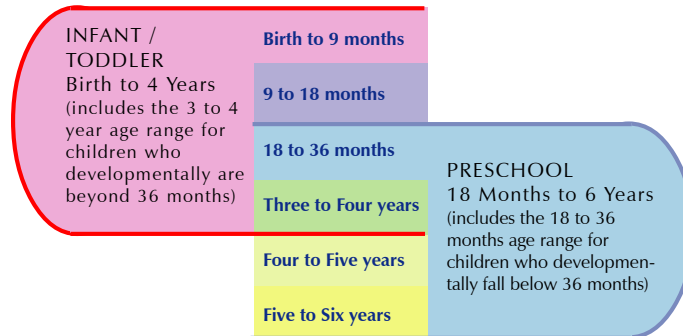
1. Perceptual Development
2. Exploration (Birth to 9 months)
3. Object Permanence
4. Critical Thinking
5. Early Math
6. Science

### PURPOSEFUL MOTOR ACTIVITY

1. Large Motor (locomotion, balance, coordination, movement skills)
2. Small Motor
3. Independence/Self-Care
4. Early Writing

### SENSORY ORGANIZATION

1. Senses
  - auditory
  - gravity and movement
  - muscles and joints
  - touch
  - visual
2. Self-Regulation



## Training and Materials from the Portage Project

Training is available both on-site and through scheduled events. Visit the Portage Project website for more information.

### Don't miss:

- New Portage Guide Training for Trainer Seminar
- Family Service Credential Competency Based Training

Also, check the web for details about other materials; such as *Growing Birth to Three in CD format*.

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New  
Portage Guide  
available  
in Spanish

# Just what you've been looking for!



**The New Portage Guide: Birth to Six**  
**Tools for developmental assessment and curriculum planning**

The new Portage Guide is offered in two packages (Infant/Toddler and Preschooler), each package contains:

1. Tool for Observation and Planning (TOP) Assessment
2. Activity and Routines Resource Book
3. User's Guide
4. Supporting Materials

### Tool for Observation and Planning (TOP)

- Individual child assessment booklets in two age ranges: Birth to 4 years (Infant/Toddler) and 18 months to 6 years (Preschooler)
- 267 indicators based on typical child development and organized into developmental areas and strands
- Each booklet contains supporting materials: sample forms for weekly planning and family partnerships

- A “things to consider” column enhances teacher/parent knowledge of child development and promotes positive interactions and relationships
- Format is easy to share with families
- Indicators correlate with the Head Start Outcomes Framework and many Early Learning Standards

### Activities and Routines Resource Book

- Color-coded and numbered to correspond to each of the TOP developmental indicators
- Creative ideas to support development through daily routines, natural environments, and interactions
- Suggestions for teacher/caregiver reflection to promote positive relationships and meaningful interactions

### User's Guide

Description of each component of the New Portage Guide. Clear instructions for completing the TOP and using observation data for planning.

### Supporting Materials

- Group Summary Form
- Child Planning & Family Partnership Forms
- Weekly Planning Form
- Wall Chart

22 x 28 inch Wall Chart - shows the developmental areas and strands across all age ranges