



Exceptional Student Education
Screening Checklist of Student Characteristics

Directions: Students in need of gifted education services typically demonstrate characteristics that set them above and beyond other students in the class. Although most children exhibit the characteristics listed below, gifted children typically fall within the top ten percent for students their age and grade level on these characteristics, and therefore, may be in need of gifted education services. Checking characteristics below indicates that the students far exceeds other students their age and grade level on that characteristic.

School: _____

Teacher: _____

Grade: _____

Student Name	Weeks of Contact	Date of Rating	CURIOSITY: Asks probing questions that other students do not typically ask; highly inquisitive	INDEPENDENCE: Requires little direction from teachers; seeks own solutions to problems beyond that demonstrated by other students	CREATIVITY: Generates a larger number of ideas or solutions to problems/questions than other students; often offers unusual, unique, clever responses	PERSISTENCE: Show persistence of effort and high level of energy in pursuing topics of personal interest that exceeds other students	INTUITION: Understands abstract relationships; recognizes patterns; able to synthesize and predict to a greater degree than other students	RETENTION: Absorbs and retains information easier than other students	COMMUNICATION: Expresses opinions and ideas effectively; uses larger vocabulary than most students
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