

# Alignment of the 2009 Kentucky Birth to Age Three for Infants And Toddlers With HighScope's 2014 Child Observation Record — COR Advantage 1.5

The following chart shows how items from the 2009 **Kentucky Birth to Age Three Guidelines For Infants And Toddlers** correspond to items from HighScope's 2014 **Child Observation Record — COR Advantage 1.5**. COR Advantage 1.5 is an observation-based assessment instrument for children from birth through kindergarten. It is designed to measure children's progress in all early childhood programs (including, but not limited to those using the HighScope curriculum). It is divided into 8 major categories that are critical for school success: Approaches to Learning (Items A–C); Social and Emotional Development (Items D–H); Physical Development and Health (Items I–K); Language, Literacy, and Communication (Items L–R); Mathematics (Items S–W); Creative Arts (Items X–AA); Science and Technology (Items BB–EE); and Social Studies (Items FF–HH). There is also a category for English Language Learning, if appropriate for the child (Items II–JJ). Each category contains between 3 and 7 items, and each item has 8 developmental levels, ranging from 0 (the simplest) to 7 (the most complex). Teaching staff collect anecdotes for completing the COR during the normal daily routine, so the assessment process is seamlessly integrated with early childhood teaching and planning. The results provide detailed reports that analyze progress and are designed for various audiences, from families to government monitors.



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<b>Cognitive</b>	
<p><b>Cognitive Standard 1: Explores the environment to gain information.</b></p> <p>Benchmark 1.1: Demonstrates curiosity in the environment.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Uses senses to explore the environment.</li> <li>Uses play to explore objects in the environment.</li> <li>Engages in behavior to investigate consequences; notices cause and effect relationships in their daily environment.</li> <li>Explores spatial relationships, shapes, and numbers.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BB. Observing and classifying</li> <li>CC. Experimenting, predicting, and drawing conclusions</li> <li>BB. Observing and classifying</li> <li>CC. Experimenting, predicting, and drawing conclusions</li> <li>S. Number and counting</li> <li>T. Geometry: Shapes and spatial awareness</li> </ul>
<p><b>Benchmark 1.2: Responds to the environment.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Observes and/or imitates behavior.</li> <li>Shows interest in listening to and repeating sounds.</li> <li>Works toward an objective.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>E. Building relationships with adults</li> <li>AA. Pretend play</li> <li>L. Speaking</li> <li>M. Listening and comprehension</li> <li>A. Initiative and planning</li> <li>B. Problem solving with materials</li> </ul>
<p><b>Benchmark 1.3: Recalls information about the environment.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Recognizes and shows preference for familiar people and things.</li> <li>Locates an object that has been hidden from view.</li> <li>Creates mental images of objects and people not in immediate environment.</li> <li>Exhibits a sense of personal routines.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>E. Building relationships with adults</li> <li>F. Building relationships with other children</li> <li>C. Reflection</li> <li>L. Speaking</li> <li>K. Personal care and healthy behavior</li> <li>HH. History</li> </ul>
<p><b>Benchmark 1.4: Recognizes characteristics of people and objects.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identifies and investigates the physical qualities of living and nonliving things.</li> <li>Categorizes objects based on physical or functional similarity.</li> <li>Recognizes functional uses of items in the environment.</li> <li>Uses objects in realistic play – imitates the environment.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>BB. Observing and classifying</li> <li>DD. Natural and physical world</li> <li>BB. Observing and classifying</li> <li>AA. Pretend play</li> <li>AA. Pretend play</li> </ul>

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<b>Communication</b>	
<p><b>Communication Standard 1: Demonstrates communication skills in order to express self.</b></p> <p>Benchmark 1.1: Engages in nonverbal communication for a variety of purposes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Initiates communication by smiling and eye contact.</li> <li>Uses gestures and movements to express self.</li> <li>Uses movement or gestures to demonstrate understanding of vocalizations.</li> <li>Uses movements and/or gestures to protest.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>E. Building relationships with adults</li> <li>D. Emotions</li> <li>M. Listening and comprehension</li> <li>D. Emotions</li> </ul>
<p>Benchmark 1.2: Uses vocalization and /or words (verbal, signed, symbolic) for a variety of purposes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Makes new sounds, both vowels and consonants.</li> <li>Squeals and laughs.</li> <li>Engages in vocal play and/or vocal turn-taking.</li> <li>Uses specific vocalizations that have meaning to primary caregivers.</li> <li>Uses sounds and words with inflected patterns in conversational manner.</li> <li>Imitates sounds and words.</li> <li>Repeats rhymes and repetitive speech sounds, recites phrases and participates in singing songs.</li> <li>Uses single words.</li> <li>Names several objects or persons upon request.</li> <li>Identifies items or people in pictures/photographs.</li> <li>Uses name to refer to self.</li> <li>Uses phrases or short sentences.</li> <li>Uses pronouns to refer to self or others.</li> <li>Talks about familiar people, story characters and events.</li> <li>Carries on a conversation.</li> <li>Asks questions.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>L. Speaking</li> <li>L. Speaking</li> <li>L. Speaking</li> <li>L. Speaking</li> <li>L. Speaking</li> <li>N. Phonological awareness</li> <li>N. Phonological awareness</li> <li>L. Speaking</li> <li>M. Listening and comprehension</li> <li>P. Reading</li> <li>FF. Knowledge of self and others</li> <li>L. Speaking</li> <li>L. Speaking</li> <li>M. Listening and comprehension</li> <li>Q. Book enjoyment and knowledge</li> <li>M. Listening and comprehension</li> <li>M. Listening and comprehension</li> </ul>

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<b>Communication CONT</b>	
<p><b>Communication Standard 2: Demonstrates listening and observing skills and responds to the communication of others.</b></p> <p>Benchmark 2.1: Focuses on and attends to communication of others and to sights and sounds in the environment to gain information.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Responds to sights and/or sounds.</li> <li>Looks at speaker.</li> <li>Prefers human voice.</li> <li>Understands and responds to familiar words and/or alternative communication methods.</li> <li>Attends to and enjoys short stories, rhymes, fingerplays, and songs.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>M. Listening and comprehension</li> <li>Y. Music</li> <li>M. Listening and comprehension</li> <li>M. Listening and comprehension</li> <li>M. Listening and comprehension</li> <li>Z. Movement</li> <li>N. Phonological awareness</li> <li>Q. Book enjoyment and knowledge</li> <li>Y. Music</li> </ul>
<p>Benchmark 2.2: Responds to the verbal and nonverbal communication of others.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Responds to communication of others and to sounds in the environment.</li> <li>Responds to others' expressions or emotion.</li> <li>Responds appropriately to requests or directions.</li> <li>Identifies objects on request.</li> <li>Responds to questions.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>M. Listening and comprehension</li> <li>Y. Music</li> <li>D. Emotions</li> <li>M. Listening and comprehension</li> <li>M. Listening and comprehension</li> <li>M. Listening and comprehension</li> </ul>
<p><b>Communication Standard 3: Demonstrates interest and engages in early literacy activities.</b></p> <p>Benchmark 3.1: Demonstrates interest and engagement in print literacy materials.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Looks at pictures and photos briefly.</li> <li>Attends to and/or makes contact with age-appropriate book, when presented.</li> <li>Manipulates age-appropriate book.</li> <li>Shows interest as age-appropriate book is read aloud.</li> <li>Turns pages awkwardly by him/herself.</li> <li>Shows increasing skills in book handling and print directionality.</li> <li>Selects book for adult to read.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>P. Reading</li> <li>Q. Book enjoyment and knowledge</li> </ul>

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<p>Benchmark 3.1: Demonstrates interest and engagement in print literacy materials. (CONT)</p> <p>Requests a favorite book to be read again.</p> <p>Grasps thick crayon/marker/other writing tool and scribbles.</p> <p>Recalls specific people, actions, and/or activities in a story book.</p> <p>Makes lines and shapes with a variety of writing tools to represent objects.</p>	<p>Q. Book enjoyment and knowledge</p> <p>J. Fine-motor skills</p> <p>R. Writing</p> <p>M. Listening and comprehension</p> <p>R. Writing</p>
<p>Benchmark 3.2: Demonstrates interest and engagement in stories, songs, and rhymes.</p> <p>Shows preference to human voice.</p> <p>Participates in word games or fingerplays.</p> <p>Sings or joins in on a specific story, rhyme or song.</p> <p>Asks to hear a specific story, rhyme or song.</p> <p>Create partial songs and rhymes.</p>	<p>M. Listening and comprehension</p> <p>N. Phonological awareness</p> <p>N. Phonological awareness</p> <p>Y. Music</p> <p>Y. Music</p> <p>N. Phonological awareness</p>

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<b><i>Creative Expression</i></b>	
<p><b>Creative Expression Standard 1: Demonstrates interest and participates in various forms of creative expression.</b></p> <p>Benchmark 1.1: Enjoys and engages in visual arts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Attends to the facial expressions of adults.</li> <li>Gazes at pictures, photographs, and mirror images.</li> <li>Uses a variety of materials in exploring and creating visual art.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>D. Emotions</li> <li>P. Reading</li> <li>Q. Book enjoyment and knowledge</li> <li>FF. Knowledge of self and others</li> <li>X. Art</li> </ul>
<p>Benchmark 1.2 Enjoys and engages in movement and dance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Explores the movement of self and/or objects.</li> <li>Enjoys moving to music.</li> <li>Exhibits an increased variety of movements to express self.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. Gross-motor skills</li> <li>J. Fine-motor skills</li> <li>Z. Movement</li> <li>Z. Movement</li> <li>Z. Movement</li> </ul>
<p>Benchmark 1.3: Enjoys and engages in music.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Responds to sounds, tones, and voices.</li> <li>Responds to music.</li> <li>Enjoys rhythms and song.</li> <li>Prefers repetition of familiar songs and rhythmic patterns.</li> <li>Expresses joy through music.</li> </ul> <p>Benchmark 1.4: Enjoys and engages in pretend play and drama.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Imitates sounds, facial expressions and gestures of another person.</li> <li>Imitates the actions of other persons.</li> <li>Imitates sounds or actions of an animal or object.</li> <li>Uses one object to represent another.</li> <li>Engages in pretend play.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>L. Speaking</li> <li>Y. Music</li> <li>Y. Music</li> <li>Z. Movement</li> <li>Y. Music</li> <li>Z. Movement</li> <li>Y. Music</li> <li>Z. Movement</li> <li>Y. Music</li> <li>Z. Movement</li> <li>AA. Pretend play</li> <li>AA. Pretend play</li> <li>N. Phonological awareness</li> <li>AA. Pretend play</li> <li>AA. Pretend play</li> <li>AA. Pretend play</li> </ul>

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<b>Motor</b>	
<p><b>Motor Standard 1: Demonstrates motor skills in daily activities and adaptive/self care routines.</b></p> <p>Benchmark 1.1: Moves with purpose and coordination.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reaches for object.</li> <li>Brings object to mouth.</li> <li>Rolls over.</li> <li>Crawls</li> <li>Walks.</li> <li>Kicks ball forward.</li> <li>Walks up and down stairs placing both feet on each step.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>J. Fine-motor skills</li> <li>EE. Tools and technology</li> <li>I. Gross-motor skills</li> </ul>
<p>Benchmark 1.2: Demonstrates balance and coordination.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Runs.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. Gross-motor skills</li> </ul>
<p>Benchmark 1.3: Exhibits eye-hand coordination.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Makes random marks on paper.</li> <li>Stacks and places objects.</li> <li>Makes controlled scribbles.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>R. Writing</li> <li>J. Fine-motor skills</li> <li>R. Writing</li> </ul>
<p>Benchmark 1.4: Controls small muscles in hands.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Grasps and releases objects.</li> <li>Moves from using whole hand grasp to grasping with thumb and index finger with increasing control.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>J. Fine-motor skills</li> <li>J. Fine-motor skills</li> </ul>
<p>Benchmark 1.5: Expresses physical needs and actively participates in adaptive/self care routines to have these needs met.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Verbally or physically asks for food or drink.</li> <li>Assists in feeding routines.</li> <li>Seeks assistance with diapering/toileting.</li> <li>Participates in dressing routines.</li> <li>Participates in routines to maintain hygiene.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>K. Personal care and healthy behavior</li> </ul>

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<i>Social Emotional</i>	
<p><b>Social Emotional Standard 1: Demonstrates trust and engages in social relationships.</b></p> <p>Benchmark 1.1: Shows attachments and emotional connection towards others.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Uses eye contact to establish, maintain, and discontinue interactions.</li> <li>Recognizes familiar faces.</li> <li>Use familiar adults as a base for exploration and for “emotional refueling”.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>M. Listening and comprehension</li> <li>E. Building relationships with adults</li> <li>E. Building relationships with adults</li> </ul>
<p>Benchmark 1.2: Demonstrates desire to create relationships and understanding of these relationships with others.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Observes other people.</li> <li>Engages in independent, parallel play. Contact with peers centers around toys and other objects.</li> <li>Shows enjoyment in interactions with others.</li> <li>Initiates social contact.</li> <li>Develops friendship with peers.</li> <li>Develops sense of self as a separate person from others.</li> <li>Identifies other people and their roles.</li> <li>Focuses attention on others, notices likeness and differences.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>F. Building relationships with other children</li> <li>F. Building relationships with other children</li> <li>E. Building relationships with adults</li> <li>F. Building relationships with other children</li> <li>E. Building relationships with adults</li> <li>F. Building relationships with other children</li> <li>F. Building relationships with other children</li> <li>FF. Knowledge of self and others</li> <li>E. Building relationships with adults</li> <li>F. Building relationships with other children</li> <li>FF. Knowledge of self and others</li> <li>FF. Knowledge of self and others</li> </ul>

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<i>Social Emotional CONT</i>	
<p><b>Social Emotional Standard 2: Demonstrates sense of self.</b></p> <p>Benchmark 2.1: Expresses and/or recognizes a variety of emotions. Developmental Continuum and Example Behaviors</p> <p>Uses facial expressions, body movements, and/or vocalizations to make social contact and express needs and emotions.</p> <p>Responds to emotional cues and social situations.</p> <p>Expresses emotions towards familiar persons, pets, or possessions.</p> <p>Associates emotions with words and facial expressions.</p>	<p>D. Emotions E. Building relationships with adults F. Building relationships with other children K. Personal care and healthy behavior</p> <p>D. Emotions</p> <p>D. Emotions</p> <p>D. Emotions</p>