ATL-REG 5: Self-Control of Feelings and Behavior

Child increasingly develops strategies for regulating feelings and behavior, becoming less reliant on adult guidance over time

Mark the latest developmental level the child has mastered:							
Responding		Exploring		Building			Integrating
Earlier	Later	Earlier	Later	Earlier	Middle	Later	Earlier
Calms when comforted by an adult Possible Examples	Seeks a familiar adult when distressed, and responds when physically comforted by a familiar adult	Calms self when a familiar adult initiates contact, moves close, or offers a special thing	Relies on communica- tion or guidance from a familiar adult to regulate emotional or behavioral reactions in moderately stressful situations	Demonstrates capacity to regulate emotional or behavioral reactions in some moderately stressful situations, occasionally needing adult support	Expresses strong feelings through constructive forms of communication, seeking the assistance of familiar adults when needed	Uses simple strategies (e.g., leaving a difficult situation, offering an alternative toy to a friend) to regulate own feelings or behaviors	Uses socially appropriate strategies (e.g., negotiation, compromise, verbal reminders to self) to regulate own feelings or behaviors
 Lessens or stops crying when picked up by an adult. Relaxes in an adult's arms when being held. Quiets to the voice of a familiar adult. 	 Reaches toward a familiar adult to be comforted and nestles into the adult when held. Vocalizes to a familiar adult and calms when the adult reaches over to pat child's stomach. Looks toward a familiar adult when startled, and relaxes when picked up. 	 Gets up and looks for an adult after falling down, and then resumes play when the adult gives a reassuring look. Stops crying after an adult offers a toy similar to the toy another child took. Calms when an adult moves to sit closer on the floor. 	 Lets go of another child's toy and accepts a different toy after a familiar adult communicates, "She's playing with the blue truck. You can use the red one." Gets a towel when an adult suggests that they work together to clean up a spill that the child is upset about. Accepts an adult's invitation to move closer, after noticing child's worried look when an unfamiliar adult enters the room. 	 Waits to ride a favorite tricycle without trying to take it from another child. Pauses and sighs after tower falls down, and then starts to rebuild it when an adult asks, "Do you want to make it again?" Frowns, but goes to play with something else, when an adult communicates that it is not yet time to go outside. 	 Insists that another child return a favorite doll, but when refused, asks a familiar adult for help. Communicates feelings of anger, through words or gestures, to a familiar adult when another child takes a toy without asking. Communicates, "Tôi muốn ngồi ở đây," ["I want to sit here," in Vietnamese], when upset that there are no empty chairs near a friend. 	 Offers a toy in exchange when another child has a desired toy. Asks another child who is painting at an easel, "When is it my turn? I've been waiting." Leaves the block area after unsuccessfully attempting to join peers, and then moves to the dramatic play area to join other children in play. 	 Communicates, "I want a turn. Can I use the scooter after you go around two times?" after watching another child ride for a while. Communicates, "Don't push!" to another child trying to fit at the water table, and then says, "Here's a place," and moves over. Communicates to self, in words or signs, that the monsters are just pretend, when attending to a scary story. Uses a communication device to suggest a strategy to share the limited number of popular art materials during a collage project.

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 \bigcirc Child is emerging to the next developmental level

 \bigcirc Unable to rate this measure due to extended absence



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