

HOME STUDY – CHILDREN

NAME(s): _____

DATE: _____

1. What do you know about foster care/adoption? _____

2. How do you feel about your family becoming a foster/adoptive family? _____

3. What will be the best part of having a foster/adoptive sibling? _____

4. What problems do you think might happen having a foster/adoptive sibling? _____

5. How do you feel about sharing: your parents, brothers, sisters, room, friends, toys, bikes and other personal possessions? _____

6. How would you feel about having someone younger in your home? Older? Boys? Girls?

7. How do you think foster care/adoption will change things in your family? _____

8. How would you describe your mom, dad and siblings? _____

9. What do you like best about your family? _____

10. What would you change about your family, if you could change anything? _____

11. How does your family solve problems and disagreements? _____

12. What are some of the rules in your home? _____

13. How does your mom or dad discipline you? (What happens when you misbehave?) _____

14. How would you handle feelings of jealousy? Examples:

- Parents hugging the foster/adoptive child?
- Parents giving more attention to the foster/adoptive child?
- Parents rewarding, praising and being proud of things the foster/adoptive child has done?
- Parents attending a function of the foster/adoptive child when you wanted them to attend your function?
- Parents buying things for the foster/adoptive child?
- If the foster/adoptive child is better than you at some things or if you are better than they are at some things?
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15. Do you think the behavior of a foster/adoptive child would reflect on you? How would you feel if they misbehave, or bug you on the bus, at school, in the neighborhood, or when your friends are around?

16. Privacy and confidentiality is important for children in foster/adoptive homes. You will not be able to tell your friends or relatives anything other than the foster child's name. How do you feel about that?

17. How would you feel if a foster/adoptive child asked you to cover up for them if they broke a family rule and they asked you not to tell, or wanted you to do something you knew was wrong?

18. How could you help a foster/adoptive child solve a problem? _____

19. If you have a problem (or feel upset, frustrated or angry) with the foster/adoptive child, who would you talk to about it? _____

20. What is one thing you would want to tell a foster/adoptive child about you or your family? _____

21. What could a foster/adoptive child learn from your family if they lived here? _____

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