

Infant Classroom Environment Checklist

As you create your classroom for babies 0-18 months, use this checklist as a guide to ensure you have included key elements of an infant classroom in your design. What else should be included in your infant classroom?

Does your infant classroom have:

Areas for:	√
Dramatic/pretend play?	
Block play?	
Sensory & messy play?	
Books?	
Art?	
Music & movement?	
Gross motor/ active play?	
Fine motor toys & activities?	
Nature & science?	
Shelves for toys & materials?	
Hiding & being alone or with 1 friend?	
Diapering?	
Sleeping?	
Eating?	
Storage for toys?	
Storage for personal belongings?	
Storage for diapering supplies?	
Storage for food & bottles?	
Separate spaces for mobile & non-mobile infants?	
Soft spaces to cuddles with a teacher or family member?	
Does your space also have:	√
Comfortable seating for adults (staff & families) & children?	
Climbing structures with steps or ramps?	
Clear paths to walk through?	
Different floor textures to match the areas (carpet, tile, wood etc.)?	
Natural lighting & places for babies to look out the window?	
Culture of families & staff represented?	
Space for families (belongings, info, coats, to chat, etc.)?	

What else should be included? In an infant classroom