

CHARACTERISTICS OF GIFTED CHILDREN

Verbal Proficiency	large vocabulary expressive voice reader from a young age
Abstract Thinking	problem solver high level of conceptual understanding enjoys intellectual activity
Intellectual Curiosity	interest in a wide range of things willingness to think complexly persistent in setting and accomplishing goals
Retaining Information	intense attention easily retains information applies information long attention span
Independent Goal Directed	pursues individual interests self-motivated finishes class work quickly drawn to challenges
Critical Thinking	excellent in analyzing strengths and weaknesses self-critical inquisitive
Sensitivity/Intuition	high level of awareness in current issues concerned with justice observant emotional
Creative	inventive generates unique ideas (originality) generates multiple ideas (fluency) generates different ideas (flexibility) generates detailed ideas (elaborates)
Versatile	different interests and abilities many hobbies