

## CASA/GAL Volunteer Interview with Child

Although you wish to gather information from the child, it is important to build rapport first and not bombard him/her with questions. Make it more of a conversation that takes place over several visits.

Name of Child:	Date and Time:
Place of Interview:	CASA/GAL Volunteer:
Placement Phone #:	Case Name:
Name of Interviewer:	File #:
<p>1. The child's feelings about...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This placement:</li>   <li>• Whether he/she feels safe here:</li>   <li>• His/her sibling(s):</li>   <li>• Being separated from his/her parent(s):</li>   <li>• Visitation and telephone contact with parent(s) and sibling(s):</li> </ul>	
<p>2. The child's interests/hobbies/friends: (to establish strengths and to discover ways to support the child and normalize his/her experience in care)</p>	
<p>3. Unsolicited, the child provided the following additional information about the underlying allegations:</p>	

4. The child would like the following needs to be addressed or options to be explored:

5. The other people living in this home are:

6. The child's sleeping arrangements are:

7. The child's after-school arrangements are:

8. The child has medical or mental health needs which are being addressed by:

9. The child's primary caretaker provided the following information about the child.

- Sleeping habits:
  
- Eating habits:
  
- Interactions with other family members:
  
- School performance and attitude toward school:
  
- Other:

10. Other relatives or family friends who might be resources on this case are:

11. My observations about this child are: