



# Pathways Through Fostering Education

## activity sheet

It is recommended that the supervising social worker work through the questions below with the foster carer once they have read *Pathways Through Fostering – Education*. The questions will pull out the knowledge in the book that will help evidence the *Training Support and Development (TSD) Standards for Foster Care*.

It is recommended that the supervising social worker makes a note of the foster carer's response to the questions below, rather than just giving them the sheet to fill in. This is to ensure that there is a discussion about the book and the issues it has raised. The social worker should then be able to draw out any issues that arise and discuss any concerns the foster carer may have.

The circles in the answer box reference the *TSD Standards* covered. There is an appendix in the book itself which indicates the main areas in which each of the standards below is covered. You can download a copy of this from [www.fosteringresources.co.uk](http://www.fosteringresources.co.uk)

**What do you understand to be the role of a foster carer in the education of fostered children and young people?**

2.1b  
5.5a  
5.5d

**Why might a child or young person in foster care struggle to succeed in education?**

5.5a

**Give some examples of ways in which you could help a child overcome previous setbacks in their education. (If only approved for particular age group complete relevant section only).**

*In the early years*

*At primary school*

*At secondary school*

5.5a

**How could you support a child of 16 or over who wants to carry on in education or further training?**

5.5c

**What would you do if you suspected that a child in your care was being bullied?**

6.3d

**Who else in the 'foster care team' would you expect to work with to support a child's education? How might you do this?**

2.4a  
5.5b

**What issues might you consider if you were fostering a child with special educational needs?**

5.8d

**Is there any additional training or support you would like to help support children and young people in their education?**

7.4a