# Early Learning Answers On the Go – English Version

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| **What is a Child Developmental Screening?** |
| A developmental screening can be a brief questionnaire, task-oriented test, or checklist of developmental milestones that provide a glimpse of your child’s development.  Screenings are important to identify developmental delays as early as possible for a child and the family to receive early interventions and supports that will improve outcomes for children and families.  Screenings are based on developmental milestones a child should be demonstrating at their age across various domains. Examples of domains include: communication, gross motor, fine motor and problem solving. A child has many adults who spend time with them and who can observe their milestones; screenings can be completed by parents, teachers, or health care professionals.  Results of screenings will determine if a formal evaluation is needed to identify whether a child has a developmental delay, learning disorder, or disability that would qualify your child for early interventions. Screening results will be explained by the teacher or health care professional.  For more information on screenings and evaluations, call the Division’s toll-free number at one-eight-six-six, three-five-seven, three-two-three-nine.   * Show DEL’s toll-free phone number onscreen: 1 (866) 357-3239. |