

My checklist for helping my child become more independent

☐ My child can do things for himself/herself like dressing, brushing hair, toileting
\square My child can open and close his/her school bag, lunchbox and drink bottle
\square My child is confident going to the toilet and washing hands properly
\square My child is able to ask questions and speak for himself/herself
\square My child is learning to be responsible for his/her own belongings
\square My child can recognise his/her own name on clothing tags, lunches etc
\square My child knows 'when to eat what' at school (eg, play lunch vs big lunch)
\square I talk to my child about what happens at school and expected behaviours
\square I help my child get along with others by encouraging him/her to take turns and share
\square I allow plenty of time in the mornings for my child to get ready
\square I encourage my child to feel confident about separating from me