

Participant Name: _____
Code No.: _____
Date of Birth: _____

Child's Assent to Participant in Research

The Researchers at the **Insert Name** are asking you to take part in a research study about how kids with Asperger's Disorder think and learn. Asperger's Disorder is a condition that makes it hard for kids to learn social skills, like how to make friends. You are being asked to take part in this study so that we can compare how kids with Asperger's think and learn with how kids without Asperger's think and learn. If you decide to be in the study, you will be asked to: 1) answer some questions, 2) solve some problems, 3) play some word games, and 4) work with blocks and puzzles. It will take about three hours for you to complete these activities. It may take as many as two visits to your home. Taking part in this study is entirely voluntary.

Risks: There are no known risks associated with participation in this study.

Benefits: Your participation in this study may help children with developmental disorders to do better in school in the future. As a small thank you for your time, you will be allowed choose from a selection of school supplies, such as, pens, pencils, erasers, etc.

Voluntary: Even if your parent or guardian has said that it is okay for you to be in the study, you do not have to participate unless you want to. Being in the study is up to you. No one will be upset if you don't want to be in the study. If you decide to be in the study, you can still change your mind and stop participating at any time.

Questions: If you have any questions about the study, please ask and we will try to answer them for you. Also, you can always call the study coordinator; **insert name and number**, if you have any questions at any time. You should speak to your parents before you decide to participate.

“I have read this assent form and have been given the opportunity to discuss it and to ask questions. I know that I may contact (*insert name and number*) to answer any questions that I may have during the study. I agree to participate. I have been told that I will be given a copy of this assent form.”

Signature of Participant (if minor is 12 years or older)

Date

Signature of Person Obtaining Consent

Date