ELLP Pathway professional development module Task 2: Know your Learner

Think of an emergent bilingual or multilingual student that you know well. Use the questions below to capture the knowledge you have of this learner and identify the information you don't have about them.

Name, age, year level.

Country of birth, enthnicity, countries the learner has spent long periods of time in.

When did the learner arrive in Aotearoa New Zealand or were they born here? What do you know about their journey to Aotearoa New Zealand?

What language/s are spoken in the home, and who uses them?

Which language/s do the whānau use with the learner?

Who are the main caregivers for the learner and what languages do they speak?

What language/s does the learner know?

What are their literacy levels in those language/s? (Listening, speaking, reading, and writing)

Where do they use their language/s?

How many years of formal schooling has the learner had before arriving in Aotearoa New Zealand? How many years of formal schooling have they had in Aotearoa New Zealand?

Are there significant cultural values and practices and/or religion recognised by the learner?

What are the learner's hobbies/interests out of school?

Who does the learner socialise with at school and out of school?

What are the educational aspirations of the learner and their whānau?