Ethical Research Involving Children

The Children	The Researcher(s)
PLANNING AND PREPARATION	
	• Have you considered your role in the research? • How well prepared are you, the researcher, to meet and conduct research involving children? • Who else do you need to consult to involve children in the study? • Have you considered the role of parents (or carers) in the study?
RESEARCH DESIGN AND METHODS	
• Will children be involved in the design of the research?	• How will children's privacy and confidentiality be respected?
DATA COLLECTION	
• How will concerns about children's safety that arise during the research be attended to? • Do children require extra support to contribute?	• How will you assess the competence of children to consent? • How will you respond to children if they become distressed or upset? • How will you ensure your own emotional and physical safety?
ANALYSIS, WRITING AND DISSEMINATION	
• Are children to be involved in the analysis of data? • How will the research findings be disseminated to children, other relevant stakeholders and wider audiences? • How will you ensure that research findings are disseminated safely?	• Will the research make a difference to children? • How will you ensure data is returned or safely stored and destroyed?