Name

Period

HANDLING A BABY, IT'S YOUR TURN

1. Hold and talk to the baby.

2. If the baby has a pacifier or is eating from a bottle, gently test the suction power the baby has.

3. Swaddle the baby.

4. Cuddle the baby close and hold still for a minutes. Trying two or three positions that you think the baby might like. List the three positions:

- a.
- b.
- C.
- 5. Rock the baby.
- 6. Walk carefully with the baby.
- 7. Pat the baby rhythmically.
- 8. Which of the above does the baby seem to like the best, #5, #6, or #7?
- 9. Try knee bends with the baby. Remember to be gentle.
- 10. Try rhythmic chants with the baby.
- 11. Sing to the baby.
- 12. Hum to the baby.
- 13. Which does the baby seem to like the best #10, #11, or #12?

Give the baby a gentle hug and return the baby to his/her parent.

EVALUATE:

- 1. Which category of soothing did the baby seem to like best?
- 2. What did you learn about a baby?

3. What things did the parent suggest were soothing to his/her child? (If the parent does not offer suggestions, ask him/her for some ideas.)