Listen to me

My name is

My social worker is
Getting it right for you

This booklet explains what a child protection meeting is and how you can be involved.

We want you to use this booklet to tell us how you are feeling, so please include your thoughts in the following sections. Once you have filled this in, your social worker will take it along to the meeting and your notes will help people understand how you are feeling, your thoughts and wishes.

At the child protection meeting:

- An expert in child protection, called a Child Protection Chair, will be in charge of running the meeting.
- The Child Protection Chair gets everyone together to talk through their worries about your safety.

Your space - tell us what you want to happen

Please answer the questions on the next few pages. If you don’t feel comfortable answering all of them now, please talk to your social worker, they are here to help you.

- Would you like to come to the meeting to share your thoughts, wishes and feelings?  
  If you come to the meeting, you will know what is said and what will happen after.

- Would you like to meet the Child Protection Chair before the meeting?  
  They can explain exactly what will happen and how you can be involved. You can also talk to them about any questions or worries that you have.

- Can we share this booklet with other people at the meeting?  
  Your booklet is helpful for the Child Protection Chair and it can be very useful for other people at the meeting too. You can talk to your social worker about this if you don’t want it to be shared.

- Would you like a friend or advocate to help you say what you want to say?  
  An advocate can support and help you to share your thoughts, wishes and feelings at the meeting. Ask your social worker if you want to know more.
Things that make me happy and smile...
(What is working well?)

Things that make me sad, cry and angry...
(What worries me?)
What would I like to change?
(What would I like to happen next?)

Who can help?
(Please use the hand below and on each finger write the name of someone who could become part of a team of helpers for you.)

Thank you for taking the time to talk. We are here to listen to you.