**INSTRUCTIONS**: **Use this template to structure your assent script. Text in brackets and capitals are instructions for content for each section and should be deleted. The text in each section is provided as a suggestion. Some of the information in this form may not be relevant to your study and can be deleted. You should also add any information that applies to the study but is not in this template. The language in this form should be age-appropriate for a small child (age 7-11)**

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**Assent Script**

**Introduction**

* My name is [PI NAME] and I am doing a research study to learn more about [PURPOSE/TOPIC OF STUDY]. Research studies help us answer questions and learn more about things we don’t know.
* I’m going to tell you a little about my study. You can ask me questions about the study at any time. After I tell you about my study, you can let me know if you want to be in it.

**Study Procedures**

* If you want to be in the study, we will ask you to [DESCRIBE STUDY PROCEDURES].

**Risks/Confidentiality**

* [LIST RISKS HERE. SEE FOLLOWING BULLET POINTS FOR EXAMPLES.]
* I will do my best to make sure that the information you give me for this study is private, but people might find out some information about you.
* You might not want to answer some of the questions I ask you. This is ok. You do not have to answer any questions you don’t like.
* [IF PI IS A MANDATED REPORTER, ADD AGE-APPROPRIATE MANDATORY REPORTING LANGUAGE HERE]

**Voluntary Participation**

* It is your choice to participate. You can say “Yes” or “No.”
* No one will be mad or unhappy if you say “No.”
* You can say “Yes” and then say “No” later if you want to stop.
* You can say “No” at any time.
* You can ask me any questions at any time about this study.

**Assent**

* Do you have any questions right now?
* Would you like to be in this study?
* [FOR AUDIO/VIDEO RECORDING ONLY] Is it ok if I record you for the study?