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Understanding and Addressing Challenging Behaviors of Individuals with Complex Needs

Webinar Series: Part Five

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SINCE LAST WEBINAR: YOU COMPLETED STRENGTHS FOR YOUR INDIVIDUAL

Begin with Success:
- Recognize the Strengths

SINCE LAST WEBINAR: YOU COMPLETED SECTIONS 3 & 4

**SINCE LAST WEBINAR: YOU COMPLETED
DATA FOR YOUR INDIVIDUAL**

**Data and Your
Individual**



What are you going to measure?	
What would be the best way to measure?	
Who is going to create the data sheet?	
Who will be responsible to track the data? Graph the data?	
When will the team meet to review data?	

**SINCE LAST WEBINAR: YOU
COMPLETED REINFORCEMENT FOR
YOUR INDIVIDUAL**

Reinforcement and Your Individual

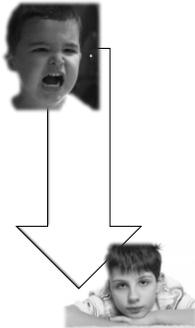
Discuss what is reinforcing to your individual. If you aren't sure, how can you find out?	
What types of reinforcement would work best with your individual?	
What schedule of reinforcement would best support teaching the new skills that will change the behavior?	

**Interventions to Address
Targeted Behaviors:
Creating Your Toolkit**



Intervention Objectives:

Some interventions decrease the stress that increases intensity or frequency of behaviors



Intervention Objectives:

More Sleep

Some may change the setting events that make the behavior more likely to occur

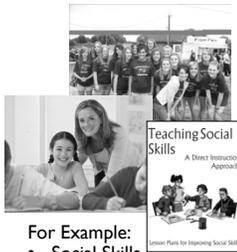


Predictability and Routine



Intervention Objectives:

Some of the interventions may directly teach or reinforce the needed skills ...both substitute skills and related skills



For Example:

- Social Skills
- Coping Skills
- Academic skills

What is a "Substitute"

When asking a person to change or "give up" a challenging behavior, the person should be provided or taught a substitute or replacement behavior

The new behavior should provide the individual with the same outcome or get the same results as the challenging behavior (as determined by the FBA)

What is a "Related Skill"?

There are many skills (...in addition to the substitute skill...) that would be helpful for a person and would improve opportunities and outcomes. But these skills or behaviors **do not** have exactly the same outcomes as the behavior being replaced (that's why they are "related" and not "substitute"). These can be taught, but are secondary to the replacement skill.

Let's look at it in a different way.....

You have a Droid smartphone ...and you lose it!!!



Equivalent Replacement



The iPhone

Related Replacements



Only a Phone

Functionally Equivalent





Functionally Related











Replacement Behaviors: *Must be "Equal"*

Equivalent/Same	Related/Connected
If Hitting = Escape from Academic Demands An <u>Equal and Substitute</u> skill/behavior could be teaching: to "ask for a "break" " to be "done" " to "leave" "	If Hitting = Escape from Academic Demands <u>Related Skills</u> could be teaching: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • to ask for help • to request a different math paper • the desired academic skills but these are not equal

4 Common Areas for Replacement Skills



Escape
Attention getting
Communication
Coping





Challenges Related to Behavior (To Help Identify Antecedents and Consequences)	Strengths Related to Behavior (To Help Identify Strategies)	MOLLY Molly Scores really enough to	Interventions to Address Behavior
<p>1 Learning Challenges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Devoted □ Academics and □ Communication □ Environmental Mismatch □ Very Little peer □ Environmental Mismatch □ Very Little person □ touch mostly due □ Has a need to cope □ Loss of structure □ Sensory/Biological □ Preferences <p>Impact of Medical Concerns</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Touch...even logical touching □ peers... is very difficult to tolerate □ Social, Emotional and Communication <p>Challenges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Emotionally escalates quickly □ Cannot express calmly and verbal □ her displeasure □ Unable to Cope □ Difficult to Motivate and Narrow Areas □ Interest □ Academics do not motivate low □ List of preferences <p>2 What are the Underlying Contributors to the Behavior? (Identify Events? Triggers? Reinforcers?)</p> <p><i>Handwritten:</i> Handwritten (Communication) Ask, Check, Time, ability when she starts, and calls on friend nearby during transitions, being consistent, changes often for the temporary nature of these issues.</p>	<p>4 What additional skills are needed to improve behavior?</p> <p><i>Handwritten:</i> What Skills Need to be Taught?</p> <p>1. How to Ask for a Break/ Leave Circle Time (EQUAL)</p> <p>2. How to Ask someone to leave her alone or not touch her (EQUAL/RELATED)</p> <p>Academic Skills (RELATED)</p> <p><i>Handwritten:</i> Refine and select the <u>specific skills</u> that will be taught with this Support Plan:</p> <p>1. Skills to <u>replace or substitute</u> for the behavior of concern</p> <p>2. Related Skill Development</p>	<p>5 What Skills Need to be Taught?</p> <p>1. How to Ask for a Break/ Leave Circle Time (EQUAL)</p> <p>2. How to Ask someone to leave her alone or not touch her (EQUAL/RELATED)</p> <p>Academic Skills (RELATED)</p>	<p>6 Interventions to Address Behavior</p>

Evidence Based and Promising Practice

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**Challenges Related to Behavior
(To Help Identify
Antecedents and Consequences)**

**Strengths
Related to Behavior
(To Help Identify Strategies)**

MOLLY

Molly Screams
loudly enough to



**Interventions to
Address Behavior**

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- Learning Challenges
- Develop
- Academics are
- Communic
- Environmental Mistr
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- touch Molly du
- Has a need to com
- Less Structured/P
- Sensory/Biological
- Preference

Refine and select the specific skills that will be taught with this Support Plan:

1. Skills to **replace or substitute** for the behavior of concern
2. **Related Skill Development**

6

- Impact of Medical Concerns
- Touch ...even typical touching peers... is very difficult to toler
- Social, Emotional and Communication Challenges
- Emotionally escalates quickly
- Cannot express Calmly and Verbal her displeasure
- Unable to Cope
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4 predictably
Visually Organized surroundings
Successful Social and Communication

What additional skills are needed to improve behavior?

Coping Skills for sensory/social/environmental challenges, Different Communication Skills for expressing emotions and to allow her to "break" or "escape", Academic Skills in some areas, Social Skills to help her expand her successful interactions

5 *Wave to add Motivation and Reinforcement*

What Skills Need to be Taught ?

1. *How to Ask for a Break/ Leave Circle Time (EQUAL)*
2. *How to Ask someone to leave her alone or not touch her (EQUAL/RELATED)*
3. *Academic Skills (RELATED)*

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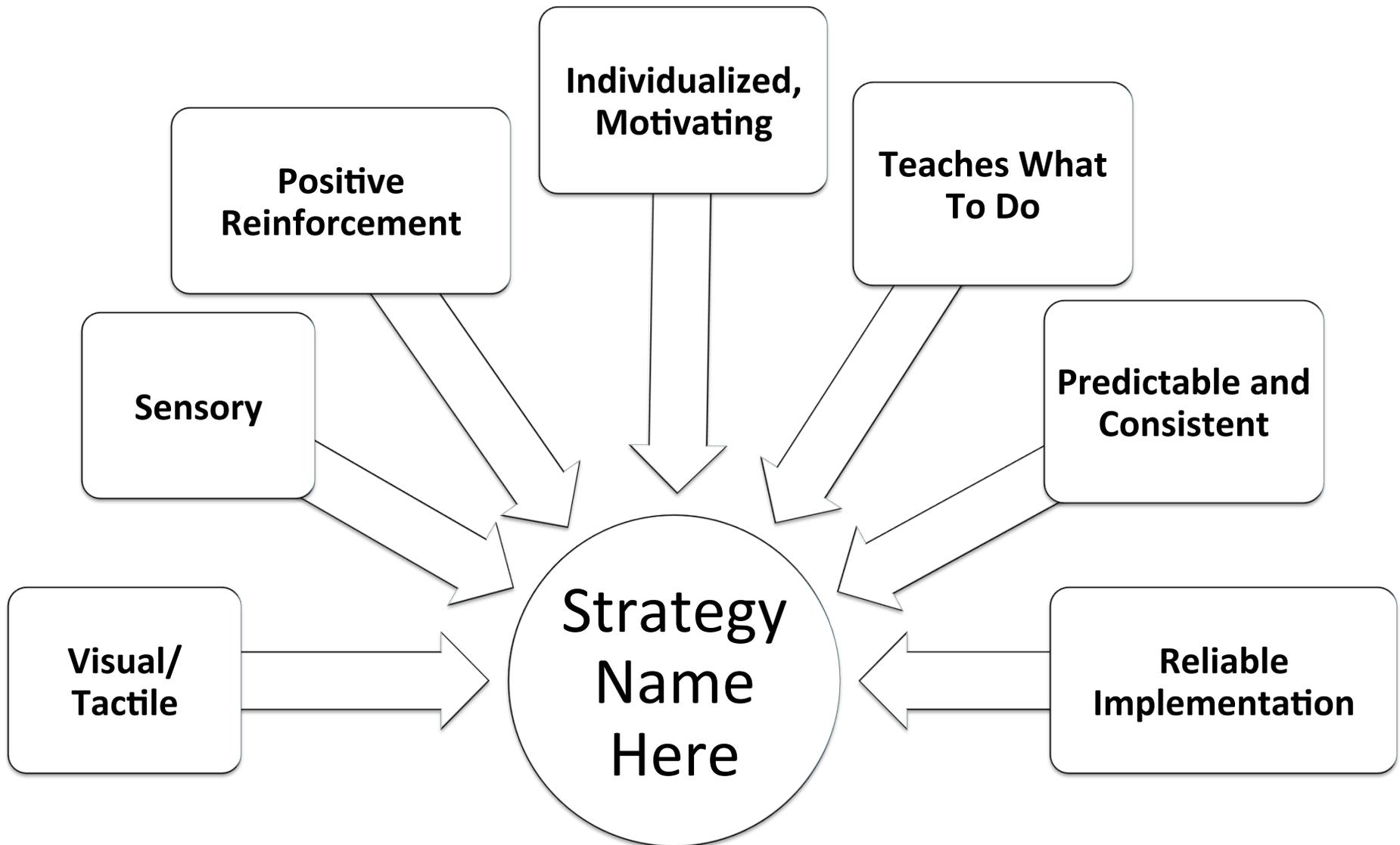
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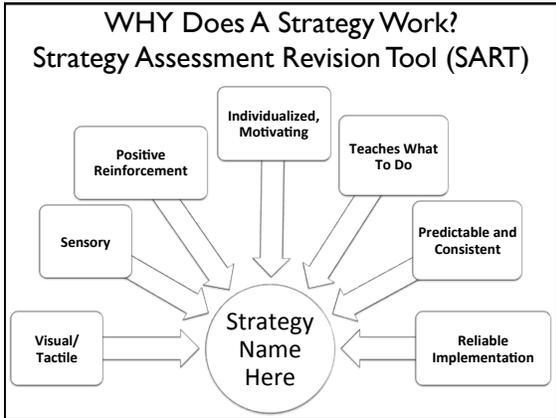
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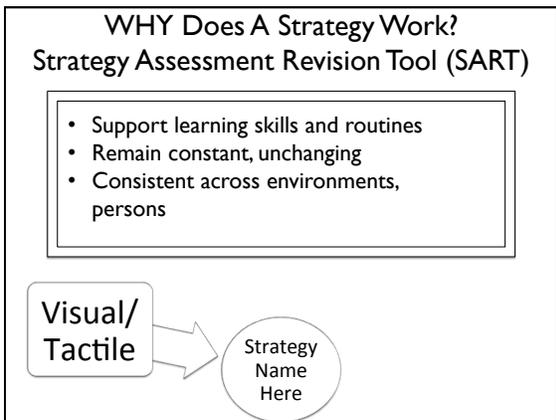
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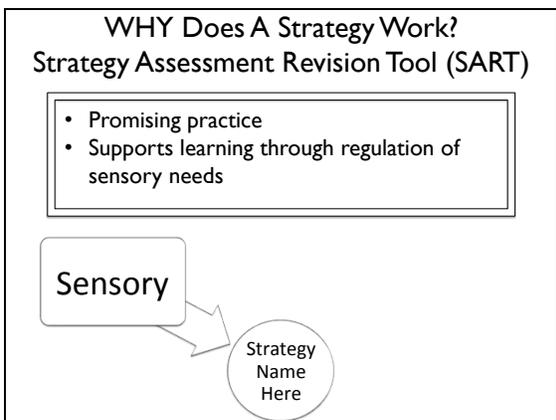
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Strategy Assessment Revision Tool (SART)









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Strategy Assessment Revision Tool (SART)

- Build into the strategies/interventions
- Increases the chances for positive outcomes

Positive Reinforcement

Strategy Name Here

WHY Does A Strategy Work?
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- Learning is saturated with topics, items, and passions of the individual
- Increases opportunity for positive outcomes

Individualized, Motivating

Strategy Name Here

WHY Does A Strategy Work?
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- Direct, repetitive instruction of new skills that are part of strategies
- Opportunities to practice new skills

Teaches What To Do

Strategy Name Here

WHY Does A Strategy Work?
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- New information is best learned through repetition and uniformity of instruction
- Strategy/intervention needs to be same across environments and people

Strategy Name Here

Predictable and Consistent

WHY Does A Strategy Work?
Strategy Assessment Revision Tool (SART)

- Making sure all steps of a strategy are being taught in the way it was developed and studied
- Requires ongoing data collection and analysis

Strategy Name Here

Reliable Implementation

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Sensory

Visual/Tactile

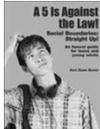
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Incredible 5-Point Scale

- Controls emotional reactions
- Student participates
- Identifies problem
- Enhances alternative, positive behaviors

Rating	Description	Setting
5	Screaming	Emergency only
4	Outside voice	Recess, ball game
3	Talking voice	Classroom, lunchroom
2	Soft voice/whisper	Library
1	No talking	When someone is talking to me, movies

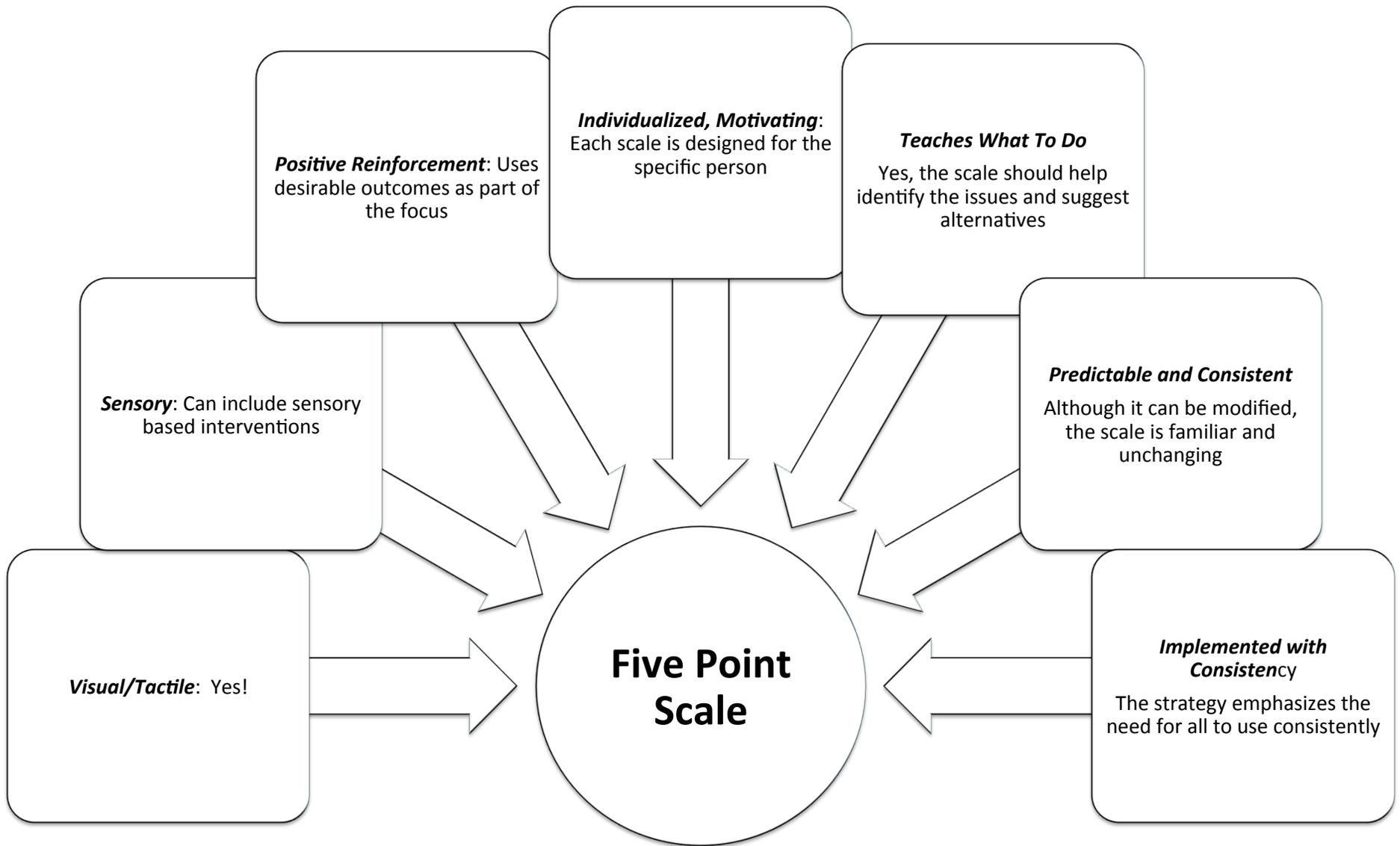
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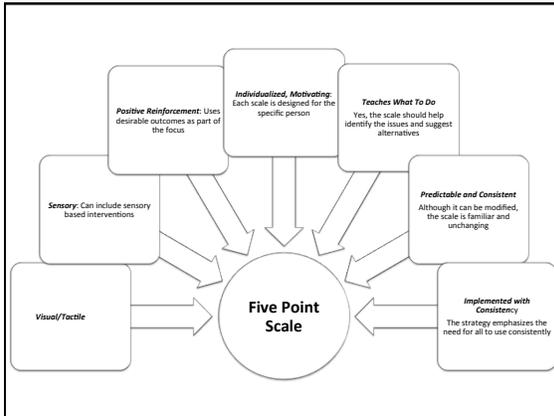




Example of an Incredible 5 Point Scale

Rating	Looks/Sounds like	Feels like	I can try to
5	Hitting, kicking	Volcano	Ask to call/go home
4	Swearing	I am about to erupt	Use words I learned from Mrs. B
3	I can't sit & my face is red	Fidgety	Take 3 deep breaths and ask for a break
2	I'm sitting and attending	Other kids, maybe	Stay in the groove
1	I am ready for anything	Sitting on the beach	Enjoy

5	Feeling Out of control – This could end up with me being fired if I fall apart! I need to use my "HELP" card to ask for help so I can have a quiet break	Individuals can use the concept of the 5 Point Scale to develop a visual reminder of how they may feel and what they need to do. This scale is an example of what may be developed after a person has worked through and recognizes how it feels to "escalate and escape" and what action may be necessary when that occurs to avoid unfortunate endings
4	Almost over the edge – I can feel it coming and know I need to get out. Grab the stress ball and walk outside	
3	It's Building – I feel unsettled, hard to concentrate. Ask the boss for a break	
2	Something is not quite right – I know something is happening. Self-Talk ("Relax"), Listen to music while I work	
1	Chillin' – I am good. I can do the work and I feel safe.	





Social Narratives

- Stories that describe social situations and appropriate behaviors or responses
- May be all words or have pictures
- Written at the individual's level of understanding
- Helps the individual learn a new social behavior
- Needs to be taught to the individual

Example of a Social Narrative

"Pretending"

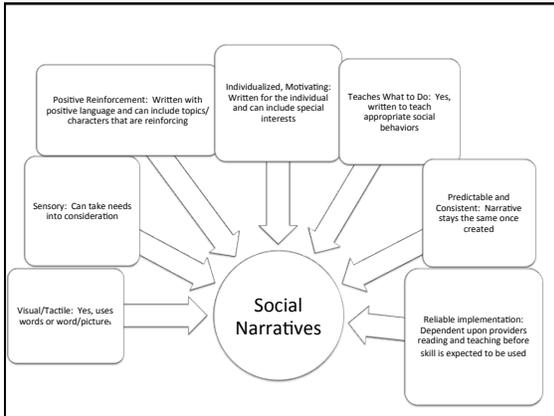


Sometimes when I play with my friends, we may pretend to be someone else. Pretending means to act like someone else for a short time and then be myself again.

Sometimes, we might pretend to work at a grocery store. We might use pretend food and money in a play cash register. We pretend to be workers and shoppers.

Sometimes, we might play dress-up and pretend to be a doctor or nurse. Someone pretends to be a patient and someone pretends to make them better. When we pretend, we never use real medicine or other things that might hurt us.

When we finish pretending, my friends and I are ourselves again. We are like actors and actresses who perform a play and then, it is over. Pretending can be fun.

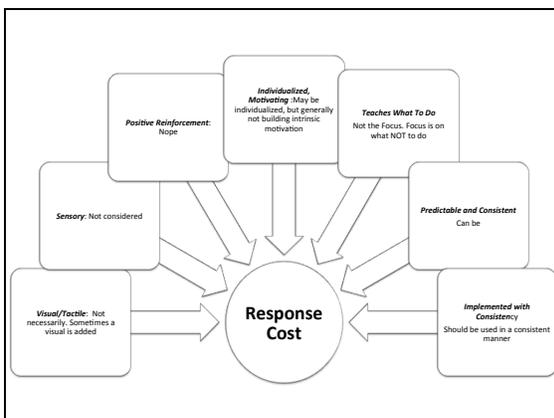


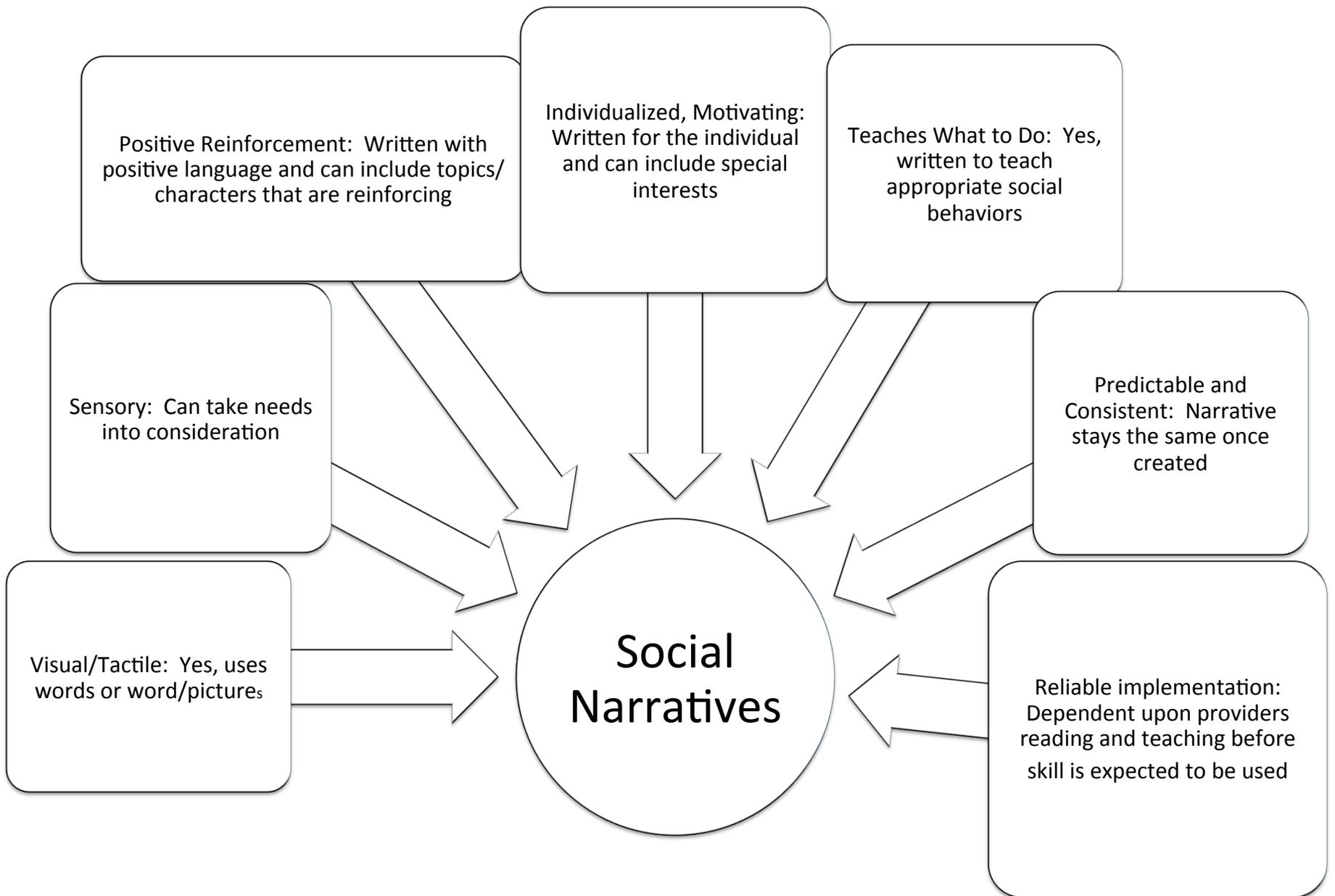
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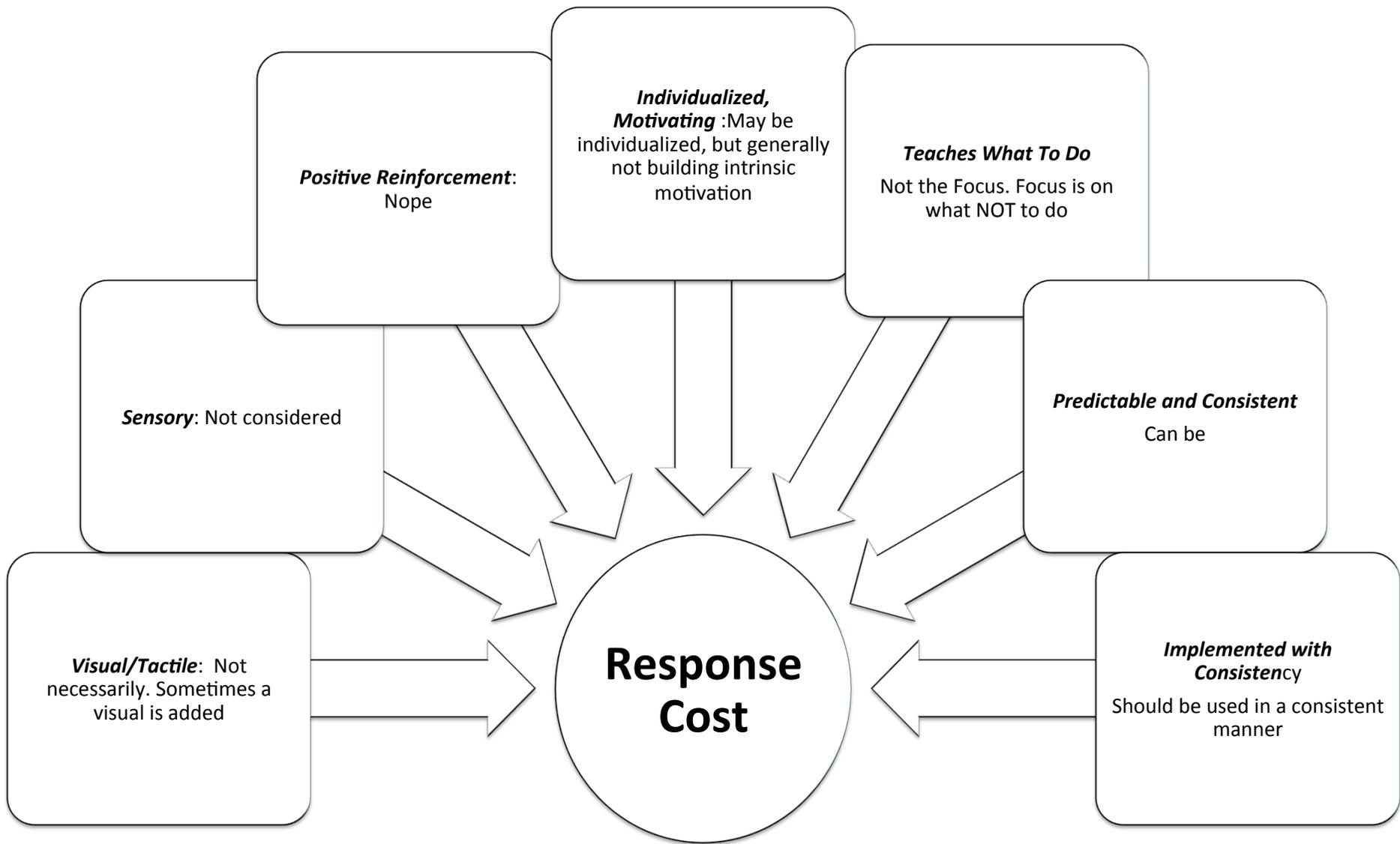
- A penalty is assessed for inappropriate behavior
- Could include a stepwise or staircase system of losing more for each incidence of inappropriate behavior
- Loss of: points, tokens, recess, computer time, etc.







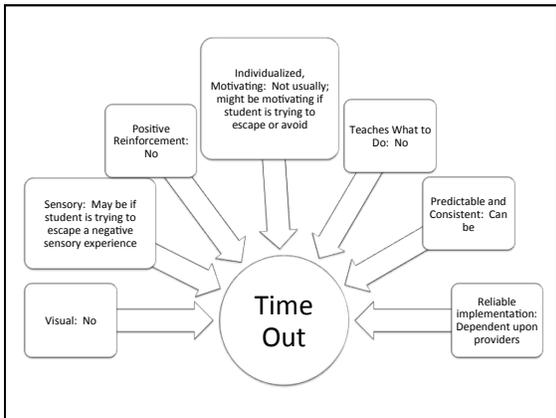




Exclusionary Time Out

- Removal from a situation in which the individual is exhibiting inappropriate behavior (e.g. hurting self, endangering physical well-being of others, damage to property)
- Allowing for time to regain self-control
- Moved to a separate area away from peers, family members, activities





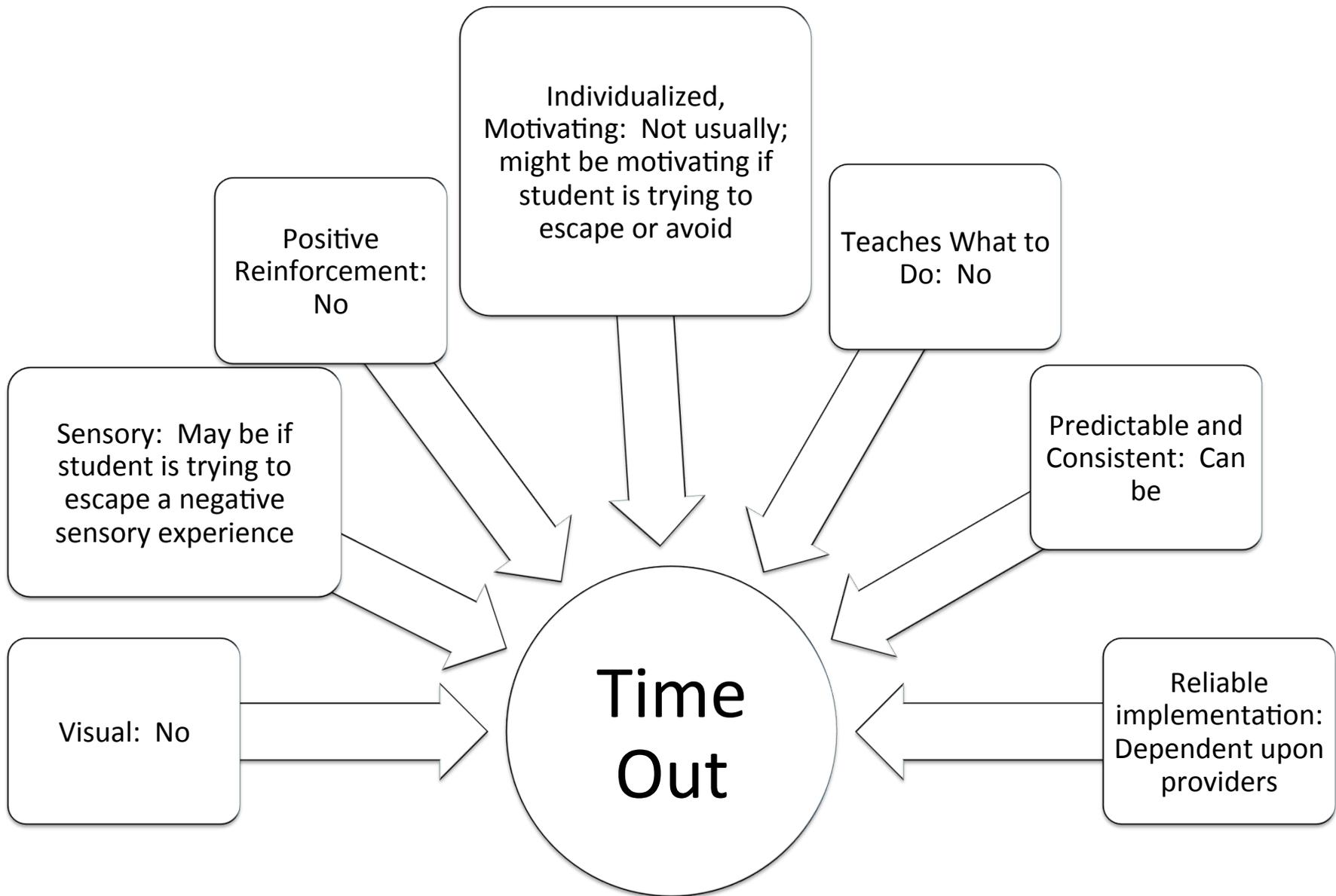
Verbal Directives

- Using spoken words to correct/direct behavior
- Using spoken words to prompt completion of an action or task

You need to raise your hand to answer a question, not just talk out loud.

You have to hold on to the shopping cart when we are at the store.

Ok, papers away. Get out your history book and turn to page 174.



SART Worksheet

- Fill in student name
- Choose a strategy the team/you are using or a strategy the team/you want to try with the individual
- Determine if the strategy includes each element for the individual using the guiding questions sheet
- If yes, describe how in column three or if no, describe what you might be able to do to include or improve the element in column four

Strategy Assessment and Revision Tool Worksheet

Use this worksheet to assess a strategy for potential effectiveness and to identify the missing elements that will strengthen the impact of the intervention. Identify how well each of the seven effective elements are represented in the targeted strategy. Revise and improve current strategies by identifying ways to include the missing elements.

Name of Individual: _____

Element	Does the current strategy include the element? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat	Strategy:	
		Description of Existing Element Features	Revisions of Strategy to Include Missing Element or to Improve Targeted Element
Visual/Tactile	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat		
Sensory Consideration	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat		
Positive Reinforcement	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat		
Individualized & Motivating	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat		
Teaches What To Do	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat		
Predictable & Consistent	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Somewhat		
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SART Guiding Questions

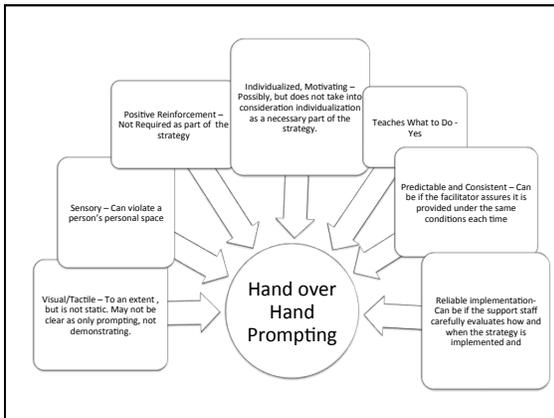
Use the Guiding Questions sheet to help determine how each element of the SART is included in your chosen strategy.

Guiding Questions	
Use the questions below to guide discussion and thought when determining if each element is present in the targeted intervention for the specific person the intervention is designed to assist	
Elements	
Visual/ Tactile	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What aspects on the intervention are represented visually? What is the visual element? Words? Pictures? Symbols? Objects? Video? Is the visual representation available consistently? Is the visual component provided understandable to this person?
Sensory Consideration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Are sensory sensitivity and sensory preferences included as part of the intervention? How? Is the sensory nature of the intervention generic, assuming it will meet the needs of anyone? Is consideration given to how the intervention will affect all senses? Auditory, visual, tactile/touch, movement, smell or other sensory senses? Is the sensory component only available under certain considerations or if earned?
Positive Reinforcement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does the intervention include reinforcement? Is it clear to the individual what must be done to receive reinforcement? Is it consistent? Is the reinforcement desirable to this person or is it "generic"? Has the person shown an interest in the reinforcement or is it assumed? Is it always the same reinforcement? Does it change dependent on the difficulty or effort required to earn the reinforcement? Is there opportunity for choice?
Individualized & Motivating	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does the activity or task have this person's interests and preferences built in as part of the task? Is the plan individualized for this person or the same for everyone? Does the plan contain the type of visual, sensory and reinforcement elements that match the person's specific needs and strengths? How is this plan unique for this person?
Teaches What To Do	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Does the intervention have an element focused on teaching? Does the plan teach what "to do" rather than what "not to do"? Is "what to do" clear and concrete? Are aspects of the "Hidden Curriculum" taught to assist this person to remember what to do & why? Are there enough supports and reinforcement for this person to be able to meet the identified expectations?
Predictable & Consistent	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is the intervention predictable for this person or is it vague? Is the structure of the intervention such that it looks, sounds or presents similarly/predictably from time to time and place to place? Does this person recognize the elements of the intervention such that he begins to predict it?
Reliable Implementation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do all those supporting and using this intervention use it the same way? Are the elements of the intervention implemented in the same manner at the same time in all locations? Do all those implementing the intervention understand the elements and the intention of the intervention? Is data being collected to be able to evaluate the effectiveness of the intervention for this person? Is it collected consistently by all those responsible for the implementation of the intervention?

Hand Over Hand

- Physical prompt
- Adult guides hand of individual to complete an action or task





Strategy Assessment/Revision Sheet: Hand Over Hand Prompting for Molly

Strategy Assessment and Revision Worksheet
Use this worksheet to assess a strategy for positive effectiveness and to identify the missing elements that will strengthen the impact of the implementation. Identify how and when the most effective elements are incorporated in the targeted strategy. Review and improve current strategies by identifying ways to include the missing elements.

Name of Individual: Molly		Strategy: Hand Over Hand Prompting	
Element	Does the current strategy include this element?	Description of Existing Element Features	Revisions of Strategy to Include Missing Element or to Improve Targeted Element
Visual/Tactile	Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	Kind of, but not static. It's prompting, not demonstration.	Develop visual prompts to show how to do the task/action; model the task/action
Sensory/Discomfort	Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	She is tactile defensive, so hand over hand might cause her some discomfort	Hand under hand would give Molly the pressure control and an ability to release her hand easier
Positive Reinforcement	Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	Not part of this strategy	Build in reinforcement for completing the task/action using items from her reinforcement survey/assessment
Individualized & Motivating	Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	She is prompted when she seems to require it, but doesn't like the touch or having other people move her hand	Add special interest of music or movement to the task/action
Teaches What to Do	Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	It moves Molly through the action or task so she can see how to do it	
Predictable & Consistent	Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	Staff tries to do the prompt the same each time	
Reliable Implementation	Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	Staff are waiting for a count of 10 for Molly to process directions before hand over hand	

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**Challenges Related to Behavior
(To Help Identify
Antecedents and Consequences)**

- 1**
- Learning Challenges and Uneven Skill Development
- ❑ Academics are hard for Molly
 - ❑ **Communication Skills**
 - ❑ Environmental Mismatch and Sensory/ Biological Sensitivity
 - ❑ Very Little personal Space
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 - ❑ touch Molly during class
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**Strengths
Related to Behavior
(To Help Identify Strategies)**

3

Learning and Skill Development

Molly will learn best if she can

MOLLY

Molly Screams loudly enough to interrupt the teacher's instruction to class



**Interventions to
Address Behavior**

- 6**
- Ways of Improving Learning and Skill Development
- Music and hands on activities
 - Predictable learning environment
 - Plenty of personal space
 - Pair with Jason and L.T.
 - Modifications to Achieve Environmental Matches
 - Visual Schedules: Daily and Activity
 - Timers for activities;
 - Seating preferences: End of table, chair at circle next to Jason or L.T.
 - Sensory/Biological Adaptations and Interventions
 - Space and organization and predictability; Music
 - Social, Emotional and Communication Supports and Instruction
 - Use of simple Social Stories; Social Scripting for social-emotional situation; Social Rehearsal and Priming; Prompting to use scripts; Include Music; STRUCTURE
 - Ways to add Motivation and Reinforcement
 - Music added to academic and social activities; Choices on schedules

Intervention plan should include ways to "teach" and "reinforce" the replacement or substitute skills AND strategies to address other challenges (such as setting events)

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What Skills Need to be Taught ?

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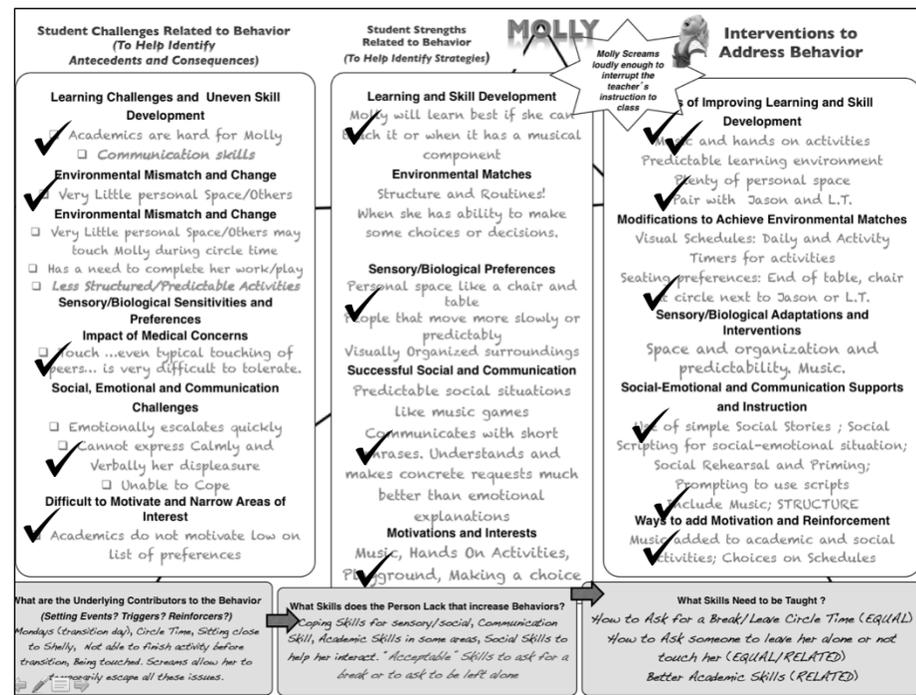
How to Ask someone to leave her alone or not touch her (EQUAL/RELATED)

Better Academic Skills (RELATED)

Aligning Strategy Selection to Identified Antecedent, Consequences and Strengths

Check the Plan

- Have you included strategies to address the **antecedents** that are setting up and triggering the behavior?
- Have you included strategies to address the **consequences** that are maintaining or reinforcing the behavior?
- Cross check each item in the “Challenges” and the “Strengths” with the Intervention Items to **assure each has been addressed.**



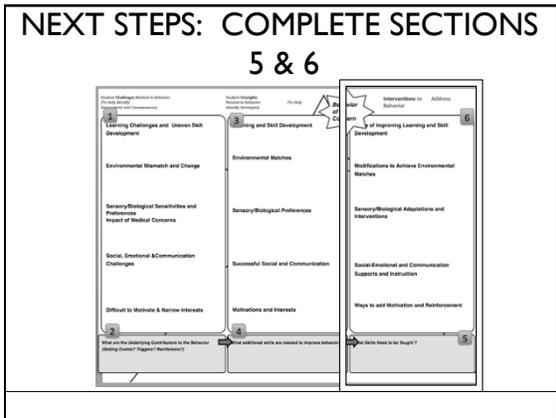
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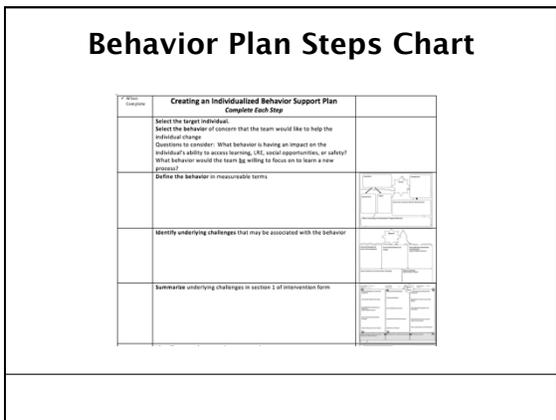
What are you teaching?

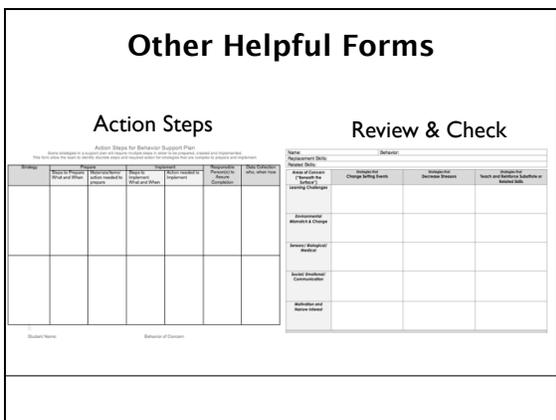
Circle the strategies in the third column that reinforce and teach replacement and new skills.

Student Challenges Related to Behavior (To Help Identify Antecedents and Consequences)	Student Strengths Related to Behavior (To Help Identify Strategies)	Interventions to Address Behavior
<p>Learning Challenges and Uneven Skill Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Academics are hard for Molly Communication skills <p>Environmental Mismatch and Change</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Very Little personal Space/Others touch Molly during circle time Very Little personal Space/Others may touch Molly during circle time Has a need to complete her work/play Less Structured/Predictable Activities <p>Sensory/Biological Sensitivities and Preferences</p> <p>Impact of Medical Concerns</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Touch ...even typical touching of peers... is very difficult to tolerate. <p>Social, Emotional and Communication Challenges</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emotionally escalates quickly Cannot express Calmly and Verbally her displeasure Unable to Cope <p>Difficult to Motivate and Narrow Areas of Interest</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Academics do not motivate low on list of preferences 	<p>Learning and Skill Development</p> <p>Molly will learn best if she can touch it or when it has a musical component</p> <p>Environmental Matches</p> <p>Structure and Routines!</p> <p>When she has ability to make some choices or decisions.</p> <p>Sensory/Biological Preferences</p> <p>Personal space like a chair and table</p> <p>People that move more slowly or predictably</p> <p>Visually Organized surroundings</p> <p>Successful Social and Communication</p> <p>Predictable social situations like music games</p> <p>Communicates with short phrases. Understands and makes concrete requests much better than emotional explanations</p> <p>Motivations and Interests</p> <p>Music, Hands On Activities, Playground, Making a choice</p>	<p>of Improving Learning and Skill Development</p> <p>Music and hands on activities</p> <p>Predictable learning environment</p> <p>Plenty of personal space</p> <p>Pair with Jason and L.T.</p> <p>Modifications to Achieve Environmental Matches</p> <p>Visual Schedules: Daily and Activity</p> <p>Timers for activities</p> <p>Seating preferences: End of table, chair at circle next to Jason or L.T.</p> <p>Sensory/Biological Adaptations and Interventions</p> <p>Space and organization and predictability, Music.</p> <p>Social-Emotional and Communication Supports and Instruction</p> <p>Use of simple Social Stories ; Social Scripting for social-emotional situation; Script rehearsal and modeling;</p> <p>Prompting to use scripts</p> <p>Include Music; STRUCTURE</p> <p>Ways to add Motivation and Reinforcement</p> <p>Music added to academic and social activities; Choices on Schedules</p>
<p>What are the Underlying Contributors to the Behavior (Setting Events? Triggers? Reinforcers?)</p> <p>Mondays (transition day), Circle Time, Sitting close to Shelly, Not able to finish activity before transition, Being touched. Screams allow her to temporarily escape all these issues.</p>	<p>What Skills does the Person Lack that increase Behaviors?</p> <p>Coping Skills for sensory/social, Communication Skill, Academic Skills in some areas, Social Skills to help her interact. "Acceptable" Skills to ask for a break or to ask to be left alone</p>	<p>What Skills Need to be Taught?</p> <p>How to Ask for a Break/Leave Circle Time (EQUAL)</p> <p>How to Ask for a Break/Leave Circle Time (EQUAL/RELATED)</p> <p>touch her (EQUAL/RELATED)</p> <p>Better Academic Skills (RELATED)</p>

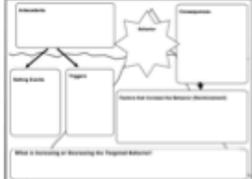








Behavior Plan Steps Chart

✓ When Complete	Creating an Individualized Behavior Support Plan <i>Complete Each Step</i>	
	Select the target individual. Select the behavior of concern that the team would like to help the individual change Questions to consider: What behavior is having an impact on the individual's ability to access learning, LRE, social opportunities, or safety? What behavior would the team be willing to focus on to learn a new process?	
	Define the behavior in measurable terms	
	Identify underlying challenges that may be associated with the behavior	
	Summarize underlying challenges in section 1 of intervention form	

Other Helpful Forms

Action Steps

Action Steps for Behavior Support Plan

Some strategies in a support plan will require multiple steps in order to be prepared, created and implemented. This form allow the team to identify discrete steps and required action for strategies that are complex to prepare and implement.

Strategy	Prepare		Implement		Responsible Person(s) to Assure Completion	Data Collection who, when how
	Steps to Prepare What and When	Materials/items/ action needed to prepare	Steps to Implement What and When	Action needed to Implement		

Student Name:

Behavior of Concern

Review & Check

Name:	Behavior:		
Replacement Skills:			
Related Skills:			
Areas of Concern ("Beneath the Surface")	Strategies that Change Setting Events	Strategies that Decrease Stressors	Strategies that Teach and Reinforce Substitute or Related Skills
<i>Learning Challenges</i>			
<i>Environmental Mismatch & Change</i>			
<i>Sensory/ Biological/ Medical</i>			
<i>Social/ Emotional/ Communication</i>			
<i>Motivation and Narrow Interest</i>			

Last Step Before Implementation

- Identify your district or agency approved behavior plan form OR, if applicable, your preferred behavior plan form
- Transfer the information from the forms in this behavior process to your district or agency forms

Using the Process: Next Steps

- Complete the plan with as much information as possible
- Select strategies that you are going to try first
- Assess and revise the first strategies
- Implement your plan and keep data
- Continue to update

linking research
to real life.
