# SART Guiding Questions

Directions: Use the questions below to guide discussion and thought when determining if each factor is present in the intervention for the specific person the intervention is designed to assist.

## Visual/Tactile

* What aspects of the intervention are represented visually?
* What is the visual element? Words? Pictures? Symbols? Objects? Video? Objects?
* Is the visual representation available consistently?
* Is the visual component provided understandable to this person?

## Sensory Consideration

* 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?
* Is the sensory component only available under certain considerations?

## Positive Reinforcement

* 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?
* Does the intervention include something reinforcing to the individual? If not, can it be added?
* 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 and Motivating

* Does the activity or task have this person’s interests and preferences built in as part of the task?
* Is the intervention individualized for this person or the same for everyone?
* Does the intervention contain the type of visual, sensory, and reinforcement elements that match the person’s specific needs and strengths?
* How is this intervention motivating for this person?

## Teaches What To Do

* Does the intervention have an element focused on teaching?
* Does the intervention teach what to do rather than what not to do?
* Is what to do clear and concrete?

## Predictable and Consistent

* Is the intervention predictable for this person or is it vague?
* Is the structure of the intervention such that it looks, sounds, or presents predictably from time to time and place to place?
* Is the intervention designed to be easily understood and used by the person?

## Reliable Implementation

* 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?