



Five Important Factors

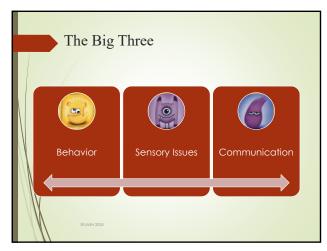
- 1. All children can participate.
- 2. Children learn best in natural environments with typically developing peers.
- 3. Each child is unique a child might exhibit one or more of these characteristics of a disability.
- 4. Always put the child first
- Parents know all about what their child **can't do**, tell them about the things he can do!

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Autism Spectrum Disorder Diagnosis Medical Diagnosis • Made by a licensed physician or psychologist • Usually based on the criteria listed in the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM-5) • Diagnosis: autism spectrum disorder **Made by a multidisciplinary school team based on the regulations governing Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004 (IDEA-0.9) • Required to access educational services • Eligibility determination: autism







5 Areas in Which a Child Might Have A Delay 1. Cognitive (or thinking) skills: This is the ability to think, learn and solve problems. It's how kids explore the world around them with their eyes, ears, and hands. 2. Social and emotional skills: This is the ability to relate to other people. That includes being able to express and control emotions. 3. Speech and language skills: This is the ability to use and understand language. 4. Fine and gross motor skills: This is the ability to use small muscles (fine motor), particularly in the hands, and large muscles (gross motor) in the body. 5. Daily living activities: This is the ability to handle everyday tasks. For children, that includes eating, dressing, and bathing themselves.

Sensory Processing Disorder		
Sense	Sensory Avoider	Sensory Seeker
Sight	Cover eyesOverwhelmed by colorRubs/squints	Low light responseHolds items close to faceStares at flickering lights
Sound	Covers ears Responds to sounds others ignore Appears to not hear Yells with fingers in ear	Speaks loudly Turns up volume Sings loudly Loves toys that make loud noises
Smell	Holds noseSniffs air or people	Ignores bad odorsUnaware of strong smells
Touch	Doesn't like touch Sensitive to textures Scratches at skin Startles when touched	Bumps into others Chew on items Unaware of temperature changes Appears to not recognize pain Doesn't cry when falls down
Taste	Gags Hot/Cold & textures	Loves spicy foodSalt and pepperLicks objects/trays
Moveme nt	Clumsy. Doesn't like to move (dance etc)	Twirls without getting dizzy Moves constantly Moves Fast



What you teach me?

I am special and I am unique
I may not hear or even speak.
But I can learn, and I can do
Just how much depends on
you.

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