

# The Three Functional Levels of Autism

## ASD Level 1 Requiring Support



difficulty initiating social interactions

organization and planning problems can hamper independence

## ASD Level 2 Requiring Substantial Support



social interactions limited to narrow special interests

frequent restricted/repetitive behaviors

## ASD Level 3 Requiring Very Substantial Support



severe deficits in verbal and nonverbal social communication skills

great distress/difficulty changing actions or focus