

Personal Dictionary

Student - _____ Birthdate _____ Date _____

BEHAVIOURS OBSERVED "This is what I do."	INTENT "This is what I am trying to tell you."	HOW TO RESPOND "What you can say and/or do"
1. giggles, laughs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> happy and enjoying the activity or person 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> "Ashley - I hear you laughing." " I think you like _____" "Let's do this a little while longer"
2. stretches her hand towards an object	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> she wants to play with or touch that object or toy 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> "Ashley, I see you reaching for _____" " I think you want to play with _____" "Let me bring it a little closer for you".
3. fixes her gaze on a person or object	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> she wants a certain object or attention from a particular person 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> "Ashley, I see you looking at _____" "I think you want to play with _____ or see _____" "Let's see if we can use our voice output to get their attention". or "We'll play with that after we finish this".
4. looks away or turns head down, eyes closing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> she is not interested in the object or activity presented 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> "Ashley, you're looking away" You're telling me you don't like _____" "Let's see if there is something else you like better" (offer her a choice)
5. handing her head down, eyes closing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> tired, sleepy 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> "Ashley, you're closing your eyes with your head down" "I think you are telling me you are tired". "Let's take a rest" (give her some time to rest before the next activity)
6. loud moans or whines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) bored or b) overtired 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> "I can really hear you moaning" a) "I think you are bored with this activity" b)" I think you are really tired" a) "we need to do this one more time and then we'll choose something different" (offer choice) b) "Close your eyes and have a sleep." (tilt chair back)
7. wiggling, kicking her legs and moaning while in her wheelchair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> want to get out of my chair as I'm stiff 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> "I see you kicking your legs and moaning." "I think you are telling me you want to get out of your chair." "As soon as we finish here, we'll get out and into the bean bag chair." (or standing frame, etc.)