



From the CDR Library Stacks

The Library's Latest:

A Note from the Coordinator

December 2011

Top Ten Checkouts for the year:

- * Signing Time! DVDs
- * Educating Exceptional Children (2005)
- * Taking Care of Myself (2003)
- * The Social Skills Picture Book for High School (2006)
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- * —Over the past month the library had the following circulation statistics:
 - * Checkouts: 21
 - * Renewals: 7
 - * Information Requests: 65
 - * Web articles/printouts sent out: 80
 - * Pamphlets sent out: 4
 - * New Patrons: 1
 - * Mediated Searches: 5
- * Out of State Requests: 5
- * Web Sites' Page Visits:
 - * —CDR Library: 294
 - * —Library Blog: 3557
 - * —CDR: 397
 - * —TECS: 767
 - * —Supported Living: 42
 - * —InfoAble Portal: 58



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—Also, if you have any announcements that you'd like me to post on the blog site or the newsletter, just send them to:

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See What's New at the CDR Blog!

- * PRO-Parents 2011-2012 Calendar of Workshops
- * Autism Moms Have Stress Similar to Combat Soldiers
- * 'Glee' Star Tapped for President's Disability Committee
- * Max from NBC's Parenthood talks Asperger's
- * Apps for Autism: Communicating on the iPad
- * Discovery Helps Explain Progression of Lou Gehrig's Disease, Offers New Therapy Approach
- * 'Glee' Star Tapped For President's Disability Commission



Great Books and Videos

“Anyone who says they have only one life to live must not know how to read a book.”
 ~ Anonymous



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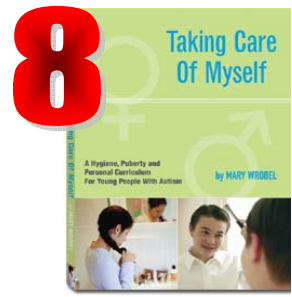
Signing Time! (DVDs, Volume 1-6)

— It’s Signing Time with Alex and Leah! From their magical animated treehouse, Alex (age 3), his cousin Leah (age 4) who is deaf, and host Rachel Coleman (Leah’s mom) teach beginning American Sign Language (ASL) signs in a fun and playful way. Volume 1 is a great first step into signing and teaches signs for many first words. Created for ages 1-8 but enjoyed by all! Available only on DVD. Close-Captioned. Approximate run time: 30 Minutes, plus special features. My First Signs includes the following original songs, written by Rachel Coleman: *Signing Time Theme *Show Me a Sign



Educating Exceptional Children (2005)

— The first survey of its kind to be published, *Educating Exceptional Children* is highly regarded for its academic and authoritative approach. The text provides both practical applications on how to adapt teaching methods, curriculum, and settings to meet the needs of students with disabilities, and analysis of ecological factors that influence the exceptional child, both in and outside of the classroom. The Eleventh Edition features an increased emphasis on trends and topics of debate, such as inclusion, the No Child Left Behind Act, and transitioning the student from school to work.



Taking Care of Myself (2003)

— Unlike the curriculum presented to most neurotypical students, this book was specifically designed to address the health and safety needs of students aged five and up with autism spectrum disorders. Through a unique combination of social stories and easy-to-understand activities, *Taking Care of Myself* will reduce the fear and confusion surrounding issues of health, hygiene, puberty and more. Whether you’re concerned about abuse or just want bath time and doctor’s visits to be a more pleasant experience, this book is must-read for those who love and guide students with disabilities.



**Great
Books
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“Books are the quietest and most constant of friends; they are the most accessible and wisest of counselors, and the most patient of teachers”

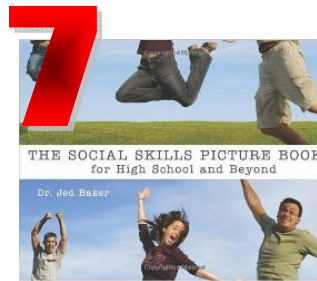
~Charles Eliot



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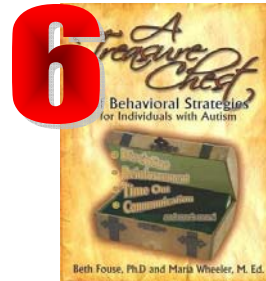
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The Social Skills Picture Book for High School (2006)

— In 2001, Dr. Baker wrote The Social Skills Picture Book, designed for young children with social communication challenges. Now, in response to the deluge of requests from parents with children in their teens, here is Dr. Baker's long-awaited book, specifically geared toward older students. The Social Skills Picture Book for High School and Beyond offers a visual learning format. Photos of actual students engaging in a wide variety of social situations show, rather than tell, the right (and wrong) ways to interact in different circumstances.



A Treasure Chest of Behavioral Strategies for Individuals with Autism (1997)

— This book provides great hands-on tips for dealing with autism. The case studies and examples make confusing or unusual approaches much clearer and easier to try at home or explain to others (doctors, teachers, etc.). Reading cover to cover is unnecessary, all chapters can be read independently. The authors give clear, knowledgeable solutions for dealing with such problem behaviors as escaping, biting, and "stimming", along with lots of information on using various intervention techniques.



Toilet Training for Individuals with Autism (2007)

— Toilet training can become a battleground for caregivers and children alike, especially if the child has autism or other developmental challenges. In this book, Maria Wheeler offers a detailed roadmap for success. She stresses the importance of visual cues, such as picture schedule representing the steps of the toileting routine. Other crucial elements are repetition, rewards, and teamwork with teachers if the child is in school. You will find many original and commonsense solutions for transitioning children from diapers to under-pants...

‘Glee’ Star Tapped For President’s Disability Committee



Disability Scoop (Nov. 7, 2011)- President Barack Obama is soliciting advice on disability issues from an actress with Down syndrome who has a regular role on Fox’s “Glee.”

Obama said he plans to appoint Lauren Potter, 21, to the President’s Committee for People with Intellectual Disabilities. She is well-known for playing cheerleader Becky Jackson on the hit television show “Glee.”

Great Books and Videos

“To acquire the habit of reading is to construct for yourself a refuge from almost all the miseries of life”

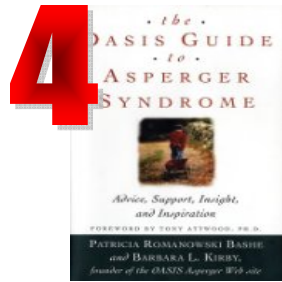
~W. Somerset Maugham



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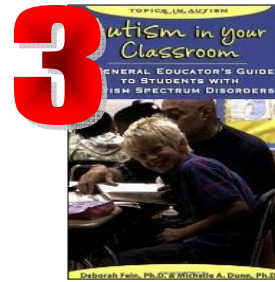
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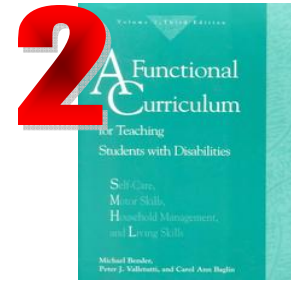
The Oasis Guide to Asperger Syndrome: Advice, Support, Insight, and Inspiration (2001)

— Whether your child has been diagnosed with Asperger Syndrome or troubling symptoms are just becoming apparent, this book will guide you in the right direction. As a parent of a boy diagnosed with AS in 1994, Barbara Kirby found scant resources and support. She developed the award-winning OASIS (Online Asperger Syndrome Information and Support) Web site in 1995 to help other parents find the information they need...



Autism in Your Classroom: A General Educator's Guide (2007)

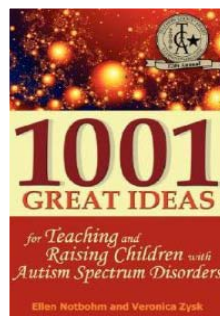
— Children with autism spectrum disorders are increasingly being educated in inclusive general education classrooms. For optimal results, teachers need to know as much as possible about autism and the teaching methods and modifications that work best for these students. This is a huge undertaking for time-crunched general education teachers, many of whom may never have had a student with autism before. Now teachers can turn to **Autism in Your Classroom** for the information and guidance they need.



A Functional Curriculum for Teaching Students with Disabilities (1996)

— This four-volume set provides comprehensive, educational programming for persons who are disabled. **Volume I** addresses the basic skill attainment goal for all students with disabilities in the areas of self-care, motor skills, household management and living skills. **Volume II** explores the communication skills necessary in everyday life, including non-verbal and oral communication. **Volume III** addresses functional academics, with an emphasis on functional reading, writing, and mathematics. **Volume IV** covers interpersonal, competitive job-finding, and leisure-time skills.

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1001 Great Ideas for Teaching and Raising Children with Autism Spectrum Disorders (2004)

— 1001 Great Ideas is just that, a treasure trove of wonderful ideas and activities! This hope-filled book not only connects the reader to the world of Autism Spectrum Disorders but also provides a multitude of practical solutions to the broad range of challenges that parents and professionals face each and every day.

**News
and
events**



Apps for Autism: Communicating on the iPad

(CBS News) -- "For severely autistic people, communication is often impossible, leaving them unable to convey what they want or need. But as Lesley Stahl reports, touch-screen apps designed for tablet computers like the iPad are now giving autistic people new ways to express themselves, some for the first time. Teachers and parents are hailing the technology as a breakthrough, one that can reveal the true depth of knowledge and emotion trapped behind a wall of silence.

In the weeks since Steve Jobs died, there has been an outpouring of gratitude from his fans for the way his inventions, like the iPad, changed their lives. Among the most passionate are parents of children with severe forms of autism, especially those who can't speak and appear hopelessly locked inside themselves. Those parents often say these kids understand more and know more than they're able to communicate.

Well now, with the iPad and other tablet computers spreading through the autism community, some of those parents are finding out they were right. It turns out that autistic children show a real interest in the iPad with its easy touch-and-swipe screens.

NOTE: To read more about the iPad applications, click on the following URL:

http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-18560_162-20124225/apps-for-autism-communicating-on-the-ipad/ .

***"Books let us into
their souls and lay
open to us the secrets
of our own"***

~William Hazlitt



—About the Library—

The library is a collaborative effort between BabyNet/South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, the Center for Disability Resources, the South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs, and the University of South Carolina School of Medicine Library. The CDR Library consists of books, videos, brochures, and audiotapes covering a variety of disability-related topics. The Center for Disability Resources Library is located within the University of South Carolina School of Medicine Library on Garners Ferry Road.

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