# Appendix



#### **Important Notes to Remember**



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#### Autism Spectrum & Language Delays Program Self-Monitoring Checklist Children 2-5 Years

Please fill out this checklist each week indicating your personal goals for what you would like to achieve. The following week check if you have achieved your personal goals and make your new goals for the week.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Session 1: Introduction, Goals & Child-Directed Narrated Play Promotes Positive Relationships

My goal for the coming week:

	Goals I met
Read Chapter 1 & Chapter 2 in Helping Preschool Children with Autism	
Review my goals for myself and my child	
Play using child-directed approach	

#### Session 2: Child-Directed Narrated Play Promotes Positive Relationships

	Goals I met
Read Chapter 2 in Helping Preschool Children with Autism	
Review my goals for myself and my child	
Play using child-directed approach	

#### Session 3: Pre-Academic and Persistence Coaching Promotes Language Development and School Readiness

*My goal for the coming week:* 

	Goals I met
Read Chapter 3 in Helping Preschool Children with Autism	
Play this week with my child will include:	

#### Session 4: Pre-Academic and Persistence Coaching Promotes Language Development and School Readiness

My goal for the coming week:

	Goals I met
Read Chapter 3 in Helping Prescholl Children with Autism	
Play this week with my child will include:	
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#### Session 5: Social Coaching Promotes Friendship Skills

	Goals I met
Read Chapter 4 in Helping Preschool Children with Autism	
Play this week with my child will include:	
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#### Session 6: Social Coaching Promotes Friendship Skills

My goal for the coming week:

	Goals I met
Read Chapters 4 and 10 in Helping Preschool Children with Autism	
Play this week with my child will include:	

#### Session 7: Social Coaching Promotes Friendship Skills

My goal for the coming week:

	Goals I met
Read Chapter 10 in Helping Preschool Children with Autism	
Play this week with my child will include:	

#### Session 8: Emotion Coaching Promotes Emotional Literacy

	Goals I met
Read Chapter 5 in Helping Preschool Children with Autism	
Play this week with my child will include:	

#### Session 9: Pretend Play Promotes Empathy and Social Skills

*My goal for the coming week:* 

	Goals I met
Practice:	
Read Chapter 6 in Helping Preschool Children with Autism	
Play this week will include:	

#### Session 10: Promoting Children's Self-Regulation Skills

My goal for the coming week:

	Goals I met
Read Chapter 7 in Helping Preschool Children with Autism	
Practice problem solving with my child using Wally book and puppet	
Play times this week will include:	

#### Session 11: Using Praise and Rewards to Motivate Children

	Goals I met
Read Chapter 8 in Helping Preschool Children with Autism	
Practice problem solving with my child using Wally book and puppet	
Play times this week will include:	

#### Session 12: Effective Limit Setting and Behavior Management

*My goal for the coming week:* 

	Goals I met
Read Chapter 9 in Helping Preschool Children with Autism	
Practice problem solving with my child using Wally book and puppet	
Play times this week will include:	

#### Session 13: Effective Limit Setting and Behavior Management

My goal for the coming week:

	Goals I met
Read Chapter 9 in Helping Preschool Children with Autism	
Practice problem solving with my child using Wally book and puppet	
Play times this week will include:	

#### Session 14: Review and Celebration

	Goals I met
Reward myself for my parenting efforts	
Continue to get support from other parents	

# Assessing Children's Play Incredible Att and Language Levels Level One Name of Child: Age of Child: \_\_\_\_\_ **Family Context** (e.g., partnered or single; level of support; siblings; depressed mom) Language Level (e.g., screams, grunts, no signing, no babbling) **Play Level** (e.g., grabs toys, not interested in other children) **Sensory Likes** (auditory, visual, tactile, smell, taste/oral, proprioception) **Sensory Dislikes** (e.g., upset with loud noise, loves running and being thrown) **Behavior Problems Positive Opposite Behaviors Goals for Parents Goals for Child**

Assessing Childre and Language Level Two		Incredible Years	Å <b>%</b>
Name of Child:			
Age of Child:			
Family Context			
Language Level			
(e.g., no spoken language, can point, leac	is parent by hand, vocali.	zes)	
<b>Play Level</b> (e.g., plays alone, anxious and withdrawn	1)		
Sensory Interests			
Behavior Problems	Positive	Opposite Behaviors	
Goals for Parents	Goals fo	r Child	

Assessing Children's Pl and Language Levels Level Three	
Name of Child:	
Age of Child:	
Family Context	
Language Level	
(e.g., short phrases, 3-4 words, lots of sounds, delayed	echoes, gestures)
Play Level	
(e.g., simple pretend play, aggressive with peers)	
Sensory Interests	
(e.g., upset with loud noise, loves running and being th	ırown)
Behavior Problems	Positive Opposite Behaviors
(e.g., escapes to avoid demands, easily overstimulated)	
Goals for Parents	Goals for Child

How I am I	ncredible!
My support people:	My Language Level (e.g., no spoken language, visual language, 1-2 words, echolalic, good language):
My Play Level (e.g., play alone, anxious or withdrawn, want to initiate play with others but don't know how, initiate but inappropriate):	My Sensory Likes (e.g., trucks, swinging, music, water play, bananas):
My Sensory Dislikes (e.g., loud noises, certain smells):	My Parent's Goals for Me: (e.g., make a friend, more words, follow directions):

# *How I am Incredible!*

The "How I am incredible!" handout is used to help parents share information about their child's developmental level including language and play level, and sensory likes and dislikes. In addition, parents share their goals for their children. This form is completed in the first IY parent group session and helps the group leader and other parents learn about the children in the group. During the first session parents jot down what they know about their children at that time and share it with other parents. At subsequent meetings, parents add details about their child's specific developmental needs and make notes of any new discoveries they are making as they engage in child-directed play and coaching, and develop strategies that they find helpful in supporting their goals. This form is also referred to by IY group leaders when tailoring role play practices geared towards each child's unique developmental level and language level. It is recommended that the template for this form be copied onto a large flip chart page, one for each child, and then placed on the wall so that it can be easily added to each week. It is also fun to put a picture of each child at the top of the roof so everyone can get to know each other's incredible child.

My support people:	My Language Level (e.g., no spoken
Hudson 3 years old 9 months	language, visual language, 1-2 words, echolalic, good language):
Family father primary caregiver; mother works full time; no other siblings	Limited eye contact Points to visual Sometimes echo's what is said Nods agreement –responds to verbal partial prompts for food & preferred toys Does not talk to peers and withdraws from their verbal overtures
My Play Level (e.g., play alone, anxious or withdrawn, want to initiate play with others but don't know how, initiate but inappropriate): Some functional solo play – cars Play repetitive with no variation Doesn't seem interested and/or is anxious with peers Supported with play scripts reluctantly Reciprocal play with one child can be encour- aged with social coaching, prompts & imitation (2 peers is too much stimulation and he with- draws)	My Sensory Likes <i>(e.g., trucks, swinging, music, water play, bananas):</i> Enjoys spinning, being swung in a blanket Loves small skittles and will work for them Avoids social interaction Flaps when excited Withdraws in certain social situations - pulls clothing over head and is anxious
My Sensory Dislikes (e.g., loud noises, certain smells):	My Parent's Goals for Me: (e.g., make a friend, more words, follow directions):
Doesn't like loud noises Upset when routine changes or his asked to stop spinning	

Sample "How I am Increa My support people:	My Language Level (e.g., no spoken
AMELIA'S FAMILY ~ 2 parents, younger toddler sibling, supportive parents	language, visual language, 1-2 words, echolalic, good language): Responds to greetings from parents Speaks in 3-4 word sentences when prompted at centre. Does not initiate verbal exchanges with other children and does not respond to their overtures No emotion language
My Play Level (e.g., play alone, anxious or withdrawn, want to initiate play with others but don't know how, initiate but inappropriate): Some parallel play Needs adult support to model and prompt co-operative play with 1-2 peers or sibling Limited self directed social interaction with peers Interested in peers	My Sensory Likes (e.g., trucks, swinging, music, water play, bananas): Likes play dough, reading books, games, puppets, running and jumping Likes long, thin plant leaf which is with her constantly and she spins it Joins mat times, sits with others in classroom Does not like fine motor activities (some delays)
My Sensory Dislikes <i>(e.g., loud noises, certain smells):</i> does not like fine motor activities	My Parent's Goals for Me: (e.g., make a friend, more words, follow directions):

#### Incredible Years

#### Autism Spectrum & Language Delays Program Parent Weekly Evaluations

Name	Session		Date
1. The video vignettes and content on not helpful	of this session were neutral	helpful	very helpful
2. The group leader's teaching and l	eadership skill was		
not helpful	neutral	helpful	very helpful
3. The group discussion and interact	ion was		
not helpful	neutral	helpful	very helpful
4. The use of practice exercises was			
not helpful	neutral	helpful	very helpful
5. The home activities and reading v	vere		
not helpful	neutral	helpful	very helpful

Additional comments:

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## ncredible **Parent Program Satisfaction Questionnaire** Autism Spectrum & Language Delays Program

(Hand out at end of the program)

Participant's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date

The following questionnaire is part of our evaluation of the Autism Spectrum & Language Delays Parenting Program that you have participated in. It is important that you answer as honestly as possible. The information obtained will help us to evaluate and continually improve the program we offer. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. All responses will be strictly confidential.

#### A. The Overall Program

Please circle the response that best expresses how you honestly feel at this point as a result of participating in this program.

1. My child's social and emotional skills are

considerably worse	worse	slightly worse	the same	slightly improved	improved	greatly improved
2. My child's pre-	-academic skills	s for language	, reading readi	ness, and persi	stence at a ta	ask are
considerably worse	worse	slightly worse	the same	slightly improved	improved	greatly improved
3. My child's self-	regulation and	l imaginary pl	ay skills are			
considerably worse	worse	slightly worse	the same	slightly improved	improved	greatly improved

#### 4. My overall feelings about my personal progress at using the autism spectrum/language delays parenting skills are that I am

very	pessimistic	slightly	neutral	slightly	optimistic	very
pessimistic		pessimistic		optimistic		optimistic

#### 5. I feel that the approach used to strengthen my child's social and emotional behaviors in this program is

very	inappropriate	slightly	neutral	slightly	appropriate	greatly
inappropriate		inappropriate		appropriate		appropriate

6. Would you	u recommend th	e program to	a friend or rela	ative?		
strongly not	not recommend	slightly not	neutral	slightly	recommend	strongly
recommend		recommend		recommend		recommend

7. My overall f	eeling about	achieving my g	joals for my chi	ld and family ir	n this program is	
very negative	negative	slightly negative	neutral	slightly positive	positive	very positive

#### **B.** Teaching Format

#### Usefulness

In this section, we would like you to indicate how useful each of the following types of teaching is for you now. Please circle the response that most clearly describes your opinion.

1. Content of inf extremely useless	ormation prese useless	ented was slightly useless	neutral	somewhat useful	useful	extremely useful
2. Demonstration extremely	n of parenting useless	slightly	he use of vide neutral	somewhat	useful	extremely
useless		useless		useful		useful
3. Group discuss	ion of parentin	g skills was				
extremely useless	useless	slightly useless	neutral	somewhat useful	useful	extremely useful
4. Practice of co	aching and pre	etend play skills	at home witl	n your child was		
extremely useless	useless	slightly useless	neutral	somewhat useful	useful	extremely useful
5. Reading chapt	ters from the <i>Ir</i>	ocredible Years c	or Incredible To	oddlers book was		
extremely useless	useless	slightly useless	neutral	somewhat useful	useful	extremely useful
6. Weekly hando	uts (e.g., spotl	ghting tips & d	others) were			
extremely useless	useless	slightly useless	neutral	somewhat useful	useful	extremely useful
7. Use of practice	e or role plays (	during group s	essions were			
extremely useless	useless	slightly useless	neutral	somewhat useful	useful	extremely useful

#### C. Specific Parenting Techniques

#### Usefulness

In this section, we would like to get your ideas of how useful each of the following techniques is in improving your interactions with your child. Please circle the response that most accurately describes the usefulness of the technique.

1. Narrated chi	ld-directed play	/				
extremely useless	useless	slightly useless	neutral	somewhat useful	useful	extremely useful
2. Academic an	d persistence c	coaching				
extremely useless	useless	slightly useless	neutral	somewhat useful	useful	extremely useful
3.Social coachi	ng					
extremely useless	useless	slightly useless	neutral	somewhat useful	useful	extremely useful
4. Emotion coa	ching					
extremely useless	useless	slightly useless	neutral	somewhat useful	useful	extremely useful
5. Using preten	d play and pup	opets				
extremely useless	useless	slightly useless	neutral	somewhat useful	useful	extremely useful
6. Using emotion	onal self-regula	tion skills				
extremely useless	useless	slightly useless	neutral	somewhat useful	useful	extremely useful
7. Using praise	and rewards					
extremely useless	useless	slightly useless	neutral	somewhat useful	useful	extremely useful
8. Limit setting	and managing	ı misbehavior				
extremely	useless	slightly	neutral	somewhat	useful	extremely

useless

useful

useful

useless

#### D. Evaluation of Parent Group Leaders

In this section we would like you to express your opinions about your parent group leader(s). Please circle the response to each question that best describes how you feel.

Group Leade	r #1					
			(name)			
1. I feel that t	the leader's tea	ching was				
very poor	poor	slightly below average	average	slightly above average	high	superior
	/	-		5		
2. The leader	's preparation	was				
very	poor	slightly below	average	slightly above	high	superior
poor		average		average		
3. Concerning	g the leader's ir	nterest and cone	cern in me and	l my child, I wa	S	
extremely		slightly	neutral	slightly		extremely
dissatisfied	dissatisfied	dissatisfied		satisfied	satisfied	satisfied
4. At this poi	nt, I feel that th	ne leader in the	program was			
extremely unhelpful	unhelpful	slightly unhelpful	neutral	slightly helpful	helpful	extremely helpful
	one group lead nly one leader	der was involve was involved.)	d in your prog	ıram, please fill	in the follow	ing. (Go to
Group Leade	r #2					
			(name)			
1. I feel that t	the leader's tea	ching was				
		slightly		slightly		

very	poor	slightly below	average	slightly above	high	superior
poor		average		average		
2. The leade	er's preparation					
VODV	poor	slightly	2007200	slightly	high	superior

very	poor	below	average	above	high	superior
poor		average		average		

#### 3. Concerning the leader's interest and concern in me and my child, I was

extremely		slightly	neutral	slightly		extremely
dissatisfied	dissatisfied	dissatisfied		satisfied	satisfied	satisfied

#### 4. At this point, I feel that the leader in the program was

extremely unhelpful	unhelpful	slightly unhelpful	neutral	slightly helpful	helpful	extremely helpful
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#### E. Parent Group

In this section, we'd like to get your ideas about your group. Please circle the response that describes how you feel.

1. I feel the group was

very unsupportive	unsupportive	somewhat unsupportive	neutral	somewhat supportive	supportive	very supportive
2. Concerning	g other group n	nembers' interest	in me and my	/ child, I felt the	ey were	
very		somewhat	neutral	somewhat		very
uninterested	uninterested	uninterested		interested	interested	interested
3. I would like	e to keep meeti	ng as a group				
YES	NO					
4. How likely	is it that you wi	Il continue meetir	ng with one o	r more of the p	arents in you	ur group?
hiahly		somewhat	neutral	somewhat		verv

highly		somewhat	neutral	somewhat		very
unlikely	unlikely	unlikely		likely	likely	likely

#### F. Your Opinion

1. How could the program have been improved to help you more?

2. At this time do you feel the need for additional parenting assistance? Please elaborate.

3. What did you see as the main benefit of the Autism Spectrum and Language Delays program?

Thank you for your patience in filling out all of these questionnaires. Your input is very much appreciated, and really helps us to plan future programs.

• Use social coaching at dinner bed time, and dressing time.

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Part Four: Emo	
Emotion cost	ation Cosching Duomotor Emotional Literatu
	<ul> <li>Emotion coaching promotes children's emotion language skills and empathy.</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Emotion lan</li> </ul>	Emotion language is a precursor to self-regulation.
<ul> <li>The "attenti</li> </ul>	The "attention rule"—the principle of paying attention to more positive than negative emotions and modeling positive expression of emotions.
<ul> <li>Understandi</li> </ul>	Understanding how to respond effectively to negative or uncomfortable emotions.
<ul> <li>Learning ho</li> </ul>	Learning how to combine emotion coaching with social and persistence coaching.
Using feeling	Using feeling picture cards to promote children's understanding of feelings words and beginning empathy.
Part Five: Pret	Part Five: Pretend Play Promotes Empathy and Social Skills
<ul> <li>Understandi</li> </ul>	Understanding the value of pretend play with puppets to promote children's social skills and empathy.
<ul> <li>Understandi</li> </ul>	Understanding the most effective ways to use puppets with children.
<ul> <li>Developing</li> </ul>	Developing scenarios and practicing using them to promote children's social skills, empathy, and emotion language.
<ul> <li>Understand</li> </ul>	Understanding how to use puppets and action figures along with books.
Part Six: Prom	Part Six: Promoting Children's Self-Regulation Skills
<ul> <li>Determining images)</li> </ul>	Determining when children are receptive to learning about calm down teaching or self-regulation prompts (e.g., positive self-talk, deep breathing, happy images)
<ul> <li>Understandi</li> </ul>	Understanding how to use pretend and puppet play to do self-regulation teaching and practice.
<ul> <li>Learning ho</li> </ul>	Learning how to explain the calm down thermometer to children and practicing strategies.
<ul> <li>Importance</li> </ul>	Importance of using the ignore technique when child is too dysregulated.
<ul> <li>Understand</li> </ul>	Understanding concept of "selective attention."
<ul> <li>Parents mod</li> </ul>	Parents modeling self-control and calm-down strategies.
Part Seven: Us	<ul> <li>Part Seven: Using Praise and Rewards to Motivate Children</li> <li>Learning how to spotlight labeled praise for children.</li> </ul>

Understanding how to set up a developmentally appropriate plan of child social behaviors.

Learning how to praise and reward oneself and others for parenting efforts.

Importance of developing a parent support network.

Recognizing the value of sensory activities and rewards for children.

Identifying child's "positive opposite" target behavior to praise and reward.

Table 1 Continued

Obiectives	
Content	

# Part Eight: Effective Limit Setting and Behavior Management

- Understanding how to give clear, brief, positive instructions.
- Using parent visual command cards as needed to make command understandable.
  - Reduce number of commands to only necessary commands/instructions.
    - Learning about the importance of giving children transition time and reminders.
- Understanding when to use redirections and physical prompts (guiding hands).
- Establishing clear and consistent household rules.
- Learning how to re-engage children in new learning opportunity when misbehavior subsides.
- Identify behaviors that can be ignored.

#### How IY-ASD Differs from Basic IY Parenting Program

IY Basic Preschool Program (3-5 years)	Autism Spectrum and Language Delays Program (2-5 years)
<ol> <li>Topics:         <ol> <li>Strengthening Children's Social Skills, Emotional Regulation and School Readiness</li> <li>Using Praise and Incentives to Encourage Cooperative Behavior</li> <li>Positive Discipline: Rules, Routines &amp; Effective Limit Setting</li> <li>Handling Misbehavior (ignoring, Time Out, consequences and problem-solving)</li> </ol> </li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Topics:         <ol> <li>Increased focus on coaching language development, imitation and sensory routines, social communication, use of pretend play to promote empathy and social skills, and promoting self-regulation skills.</li> <li>Enhanced focus on self-care and building support group.</li> <li>Older (4 to 5 year old) verbal children with conduct problems families can continue with Program 4 of Basic IY program to discus time out and problem solving (not included in IY-ASD program).</li> </ol> </li> </ol>
Basic IY Vignettes	New IY-ASD vignettes depict children with ASD. Additional vignettes from Basic IY may be added if parents in the group need more help with behavior management and problem solving.
Program Dosage (18-20 sessions)	(13-14 plus sessions) Increased dosage often needed to adequately cover the material since there are more practices and discussions to tailor the strategies to each unique child.
Group Size: 10-12 parents	Smaller group size: 6-8 parents plus partners or other family members
Group Leader: Knowledgeable in child Development	Group Leader: Knowledgeable and experi- enced in ASD practice, local ASD-specific sup- ports, and functional behavioral approaches to behavior change.
Key Group Teaching/Learning Methods (be- havioral practice, principle building, values exercises, tailoring to meet cultural and devel- opmental issues, home activities)	Increased teaching about ASD and ways to use visual support including picture schedules, choice cards, command and feeling cards; tai- loring group practices according to children's communication stage; imitation as a means to gain attention, learning alternative incentives to motivate children with ASD (e.g., sen- sory activities); more explicit teaching about prompting, use of nonverbal signals, and the functions of behavior and ABCs of behavior change; more practice with use of pretend play and puppet use as well as self-regulation strategies.

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Alliance building techniques (collaborative learning, buddy calls, weekly leader support calls, praise to parents, incentives for parents)	All standard alliance building techniques ap- ply to this population, but increased efforts to help build families support systems and reduce their stress by working on self-care and promoting weekly buddy calls and peer dates with other parents. Regular emails, texts and calls from group leaders are essential.
Food, transportation, daycare	No adaptations needed, but essential to offer these for this population in order to reduce barriers to participation.
Core model does not offer home visits	Providing home visits to coach parent-child interactions using coach home visit manuals and additional DVD vignettes as needed; use these to make up missed sessions or show ad- ditional vignettes
Core model does not address collaboration with educators and other professionals for coordination of care	Coordinate with educators and therapists for developing behavior plans with agreed upon goals for child's target behaviors. Consult with medical providers to understand effects of medical issues on child behavior and parent stress.
Core model suggests use of IY Advance, Child and Teacher Programs for children with diag- noses or very high risk families	<ul> <li>Consider additional IY Programs:</li> <li>Advance Program to teach anger and depression management and problem solving steps</li> <li>Child Social, Emotional and Problem Solving Skills Program ("Dinosaur School") offered alongside parent program</li> <li>Offer follow-up training in the Helping Preschool Children with Autism: Teachers and Parents as Partners to help parents learn how to promote positive peer interactions and social communication with 2-3 children.</li> </ul>



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Leader's Name:

#### E-mail:

Date:

Check what we've accomplished!

**Child Directed Play Preacademic Coaching Persistence Coaching Social Coaching Emotion Coaching Pretend & Puppet Play Interactive Reading** Self-Praise **Praise & Rewards** Songs & Gestures Self-Care **Using Visual Cue Cards** Social, Sensory Likes **Limit Setting** Ignore, Redirect & Distract **Staying Calm Getting Support Teach Children to Calm Down & Self-Regulate** 

**Practice Exercises** 



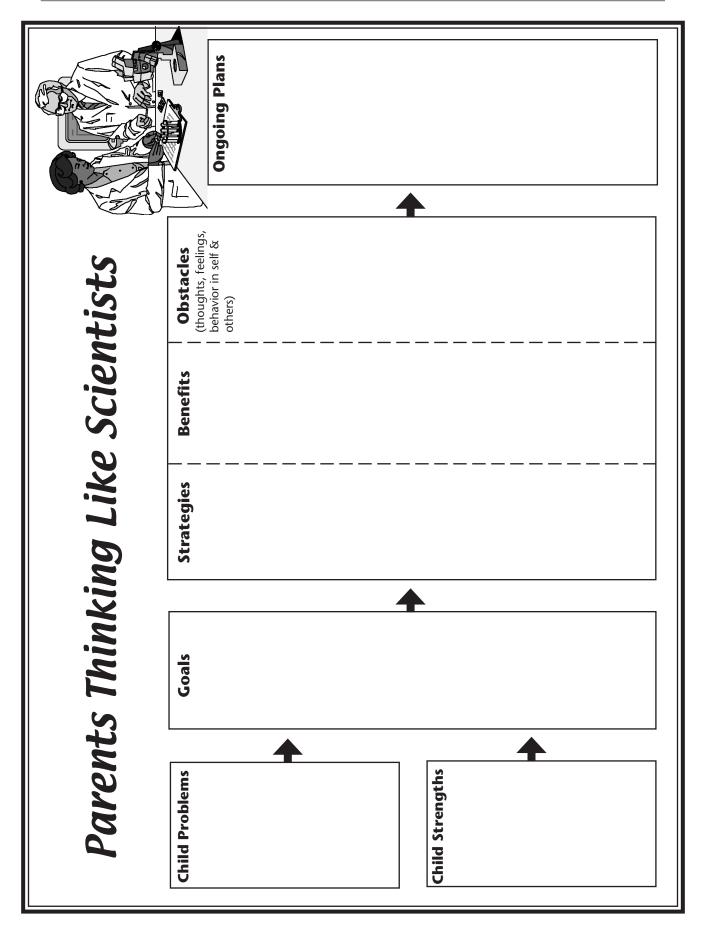
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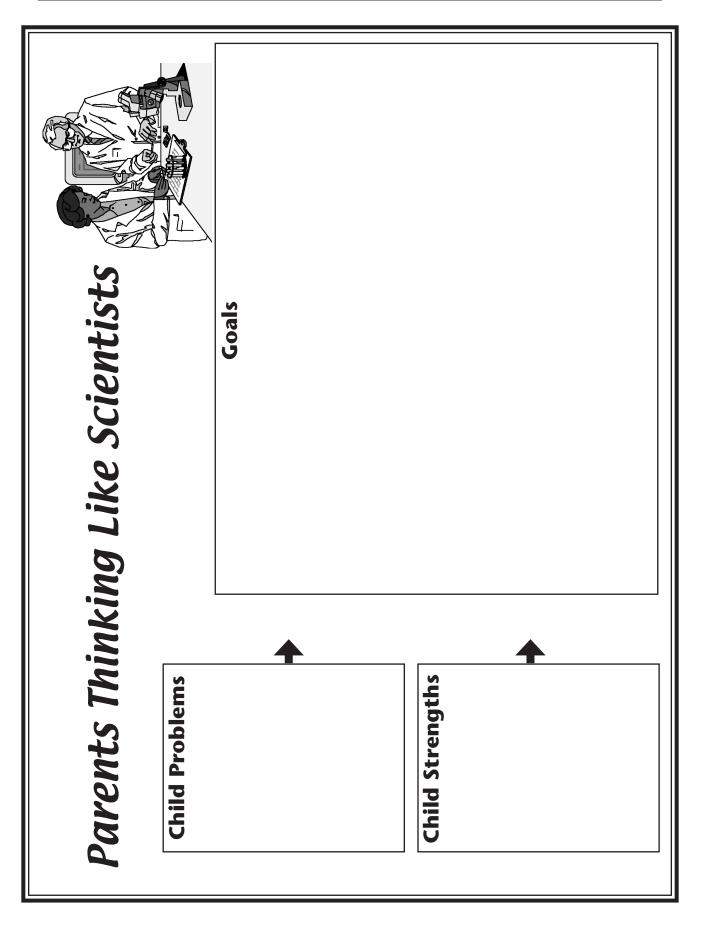
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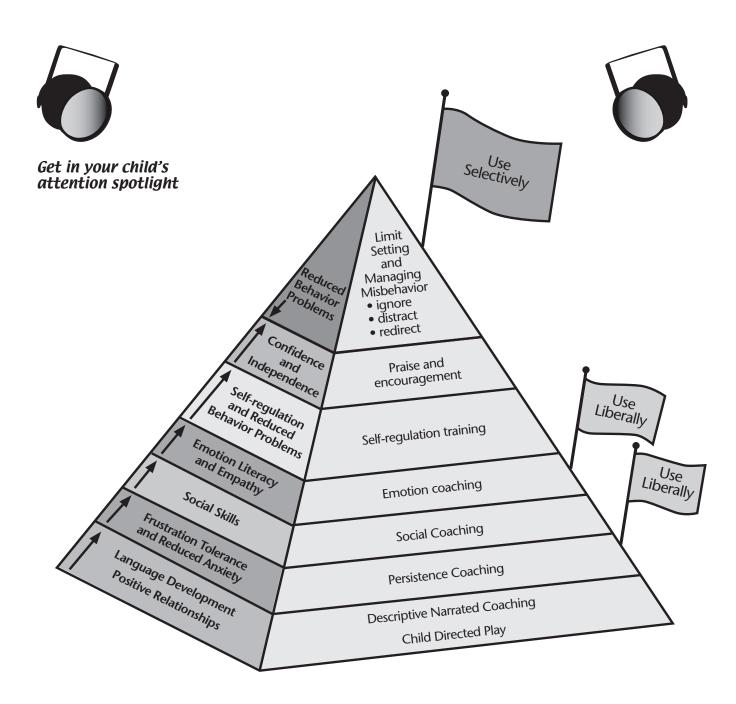


#### Principles

#### Personal Goals and Planned Practices







### Parent Pyramid Autism Program



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