

Examples of IEP Goals and Objectives Suggestions For Students With Autism

1. _____ will develop social understanding skills as measured by the benchmarks listed below.

- a. _____ will raise their hand and wait to be called on before talking aloud in group settings 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- b. _____ will work cooperatively with peers in small group settings (ie. Share materials, allow peers to share different thoughts) 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- c. _____ will develop an understanding of the relationship between his/her verbalizations and actions/effect on others 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- d. _____ will engage in appropriate cooperative social play interactions initiated by others 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- e. _____ will engage in cooperative social play interactions by allowing others to make changes or alter the play routine 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- f. _____ will engage in appropriate turn-taking skills by attending to peer's turn and waiting for own turn 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- g. _____ will appropriately acknowledge an interaction initiated by others by giving an appropriate response, either verbal or non-verbal.
- h. _____ will develop an understanding of the rationale for various social skills by stating the reason when asked (ie. Why do we say excuse me?)
- i. _____ will increase social awareness of environment by stating what is taking place in environment or imitating actions of others 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- j. _____ will increase safety awareness by stating the effect of various situations 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- k. _____ will identify appropriate social rules and codes of conduct for various social situations 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- l. _____ will refrain from interrupting others by exhibiting appropriate social interaction skills 4/5 opportunities.

2. _____ will increase social-emotional skills as measured by the benchmarks listed below.

- a. _____ will identify various emotional states in others 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- b. _____ will state why a person might be feeling a particular emotion 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- c. _____ will identify various simple emotional states in self 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- d. _____ will state why he/she might be feeling a particular emotion 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- e. _____ will state what would be an appropriate response to a particular emotional state 4/5 opportunities to do so.

3. _____ will increase social communication skills as measured by the benchmarks listed below.

- a. _____ will initiate communicative interactions with others 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- b. _____ will initiate varied appropriate topics with others 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- c. _____ will initiate communicative interactions with others by asking questions 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- d. _____ will engage in conversational turn-taking with others across 3-4 conversational turns, 4/5 opportunities to do so (topics initiated by self /others).
- e. _____ will call attention to communicative partner prior to communicating 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- f. _____ will ask questions of others regarding topics initiated by self or others to sustain conversation for conversational turn-taking 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- g. _____ will identify and understand various non-verbal social communication behaviors (ie. Tone of voice, personal space, vocal volume, body orientation, facial expressions) by stating their implied meaning 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- h. _____ will spontaneously seek assistance/ ask for help/ seek additional information given visual prompts 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- i. _____ will spontaneously use a verbal or non-verbal message to indicate to the speaker that he needs additional “wait” time to process information editorially 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- j. _____ will identify breakdowns in communication and make appropriate adjustments 4/5 opportunities to do so.

4. _____ will increase narrative discourse skills to objective criteria as measured by the benchmarks listed below.

- a. _____ will state the main idea of the story, video or situation 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- b. _____ will relate information (ie. Past events, stories, situations, etc...) sequentially 4/5 opportunities to do so.
- c. _____ will identify what happened first, in the middle, and last regarding a previous read story, past event, or situation.
- d. When relating information _____ will provide an initial background statement, include referents, include important pieces of relational information and leave out irrelevant details.

5. _____ will increase their ability to function appropriately within the school environment as measured by the benchmarks listed below.

- a. Given visual and verbal prompts, _____ will participate in tasks/ activities to completion by exhibiting appropriate behaviors, _% of the time.
- b. _____ will transition appropriately from tasks and activities and school environments _% of the time given visual and verbal prompts.
- c. _____ will accept changes in routine/schedule by exhibiting appropriate behaviors given visual and verbal cues _ % of the time.
- d. _____ will follow classroom rules and directives given visual and verbal prompts _% of the time.

e. _____ will independently take a break given visual prompts _ % of the time.
(goal #5: objectives contd.)

f. _____ will independently ask to take a break given visual and verbal prompts _% of the time.

Strategies to focus on above Goals/ Objectives:

- * Social Stories
- * Comic Strip Conversations
- * Social Scripting/ Computer Conversations (reduces social demands of situation)
- * Find and use “hooks” (high interests)for academics, social relations, social communication, etc...
- * Video-tapes
- * Digital Photography (for real life situations)
- * Audio-taping
- * Lunch/Recess Clubs
- * Story-mapping (Inspiration Software)
- * Individual visual schedule
- * Visual directions

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