



# **Workstation TEACCH-time**

### Who will this approach support?

This approach of enabling a child to complete a task can benefit children with social communication difficulties

#### What is the purpose of TEACCH?

For the child to follow adult directed tasks and complete an activities.

## **Practicalities!**

- Initially use activities that the child really enjoys and are not challenging.
- Keep the activities in a box away from the children
- Do not allow the child to play with them at other times.
- 💐 Work left to right
- Place the activity in the green box to start with and use the red box for the finished activity.
- Work alongside until the child is calm and settled



#### **REMEMBER!!**

- Only place in the basket what the child can do.
- Use the child's interests / obsessions.
- The child ALWAYS finishes the activity.
- **W** Praise all the time!

#### **Equipment Needed:**

- Small child's chair (with arms if possible)
- 💐 Two baskets (green and red)







Activities

Wait" card (with "wait" written on it, supported by a sign)

Photographs or symbols of equipment
Photographs / symbols (3"x 2") should be laminated with soft Velcro on the back

Laminated card (A4 cut in half lengthways), with a strip of rough Velcro on which to attach the activities cards

# The session!

- Place 2 or 3 activities in the green basket.
- Place the Velcro strip with the pictures of what the child is expected to do.
- 💐 Adult sits opposite child
- Show the child the strip, working left to right.
- Ask them to give you the first activity (if needed, adult takes it)
- Demonstrate & use reduced language, to say what you want.
- When the task is finished (using hand over hand if necessary), praise child with "finished" and place in the red basket with the corresponding picture from the strip.
- Repeat....praising overtly after each activity is finished, "good working or looking or listening or sitting" with high fives.
- When all activities are finished say "all finished!"
- Offer reward e.g. bubbles for a few seconds and then say "go play" or whatever the next focus is.



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