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1001 Great Ideas For Teaching And Raising Children With Autism Or Asperger's, Revised And Expanded 2nd Edition





Synopsis

Winner of a Silver medal in the Independent Publishers Book Awards and Learning Magazine's Teachers Choice Award, 1001 Great Ideas has been a treasured resource in the autism community since 2004. In this expanded second edition, Ellen Notbohm (best-selling author of the revolutionary book Ten Things Every Child with Autism Wishes You Knew) and Veronica Zysk (award-winning author and former editor of Autism Asperger's Digest magazine) present parents and educators with over 1800 ideas try-it-now tips, eye-opening advice, and grassroots strategies. More than 600 fresh ideas join tried and true tactics from the original edition, offering modifications for older kids, honing in on Asperger's challenges, and enhancing already-effective ways to help your child or student achieve success at home, in school, and in the community. This one-stop-shop of solutions, explanations, and strategies guides the reader to quickly find ideas that speak to the variety of developmental levels, learning styles, and abilities inherent in children with autism and Asperger's.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

I did not get much out of this for my two high IQ Auties. It really focuses on the more severe symptoms of lower-functioning autism. But it is SOOOOOO good... Too bad I can't use much of it. I wish folks wouldn't lump these diagnoses together. So different. Different needs and symptoms. Still, this would be an INCREDIBLE resource for autistic kids.

Hands down, the VERY best ASD resource book I've come across. Gives tons of practical, doable,

doesn't-take-a-genius-to-figure-out solutions that instantly improve the lives of your child/student with an ASD. I wish someone would have given me this book at the very beginning of our family's journey.

One of the reasons I liked this book was that we received mixed input from friends and family regarding our son's diagnosis, especially since he was 4.5. This book indicated many examples of habits and behaviors that gave my husband and I 'ah-ha!' moments and it helped us feel less powerless to help our son. we knew that traditional ways of dealing with certain things did not work with our son and this book helped point out things that did.

I have been researching books on Asperger's Syndrome due to a recent diagnosis within my family. There are so many books out there and it is so easy to think you can read them all - but if you have an Asperger's Syndrome child in your home - you do not have enough time to read a magazine - forget trying to read 30 or more books. This book is laid out like a How-to book. The chapters are split up into tiny bits and the contents page is detailed so you can go right to the issue you really want to read about - at the moment! I had the paperback version from the library, but it is huge and heavy. I always have my Kindle available (a great distraction tool!) so I bought the Kindle version. I love it! Look it over with the Look Inside feature - you will see why I bought it...maybe you will buy it too! PS. This author has other books available - and she has not disappointed me in any of them!

I think everyone should read this book so that they can understand the struggles that parents and children face. It has great ideas for teaching children with these conditions but a lot of the tips apply to people who deal with a child who has ADD or ADHD or just doesn't have the desire to learn. It's a big book but it doesn't take as long to read it as you would think.

Other books I have seen focus more on psychology and personal anecdotes (such as "The Explosive Child"); this one actually helps you know WHAT TO DO. It is easy to read, giving plain-spoken, useful strategies; sometimes mentioning them comprehensively in just one paragraph. It's helped me understand my 4-year old son and given me more empathy now that I have an idea of how he's processing what's happening. Dealing with autism is almost as hard on parents as their children, and we have to re-learn how function as well. I disagree with another comment about this book not being useful for high-functioning kids. It is divided into sections such as sensory, behavior, etc., and it is very simple to skip around at your leisure to find what you need.

It is a *spectrum*, with some kids having trouble with some things more than others, rather than simply "very autistic" or "a little autistic". For example, my son has supreme difficulty with transitions, feeding issues, and temper tantrums, but not sleeping problems or tactile sensory issues. This doesn't make him more or less autistic; it's just where he falls on the spectrum. It's worth having the book for whatever you specifically need. I'm very grateful to have found this resource, and will be passing it along to his preschool teacher.

Since this book was written, I think they've done away with the term "Asperger's". I'm pretty sure it's just called Autism Spectrum now......reason being, there are various degrees of Autism. This book is full of good tips and activities for helping kids. Some of these activities are more suited maybe to different levels of autism. Not only that, but personal interests too. There are lots of great ideas in here but they're maybe more suited to very young kids. We originally bought this book (a couple years ago) to share with a friend that found some of these activities helpful for her son that has autism. (Kind of interesting that autism is more common in boys than in girls). We recently (in the last week) found out that our son has a slight degree of autism too. We had always seen him as being just very organized and structured but it's much more than that. (When he was little, he used to line his cars up according to year, make, and color. He had a set system. If any cars got out of order, that was especially challenging for him). Kids that have very mild degrees of autism often go undetected when they need help as well. This book is full of great ideas and activities. There is something in here for everyone. It's not one of those books that will diagnose autism or degrees of autism. It's a book for what to do when it's already been diagnosed. I love that this addresses autism coming from a behavior modification approach. It would be nice if there was a book like this for older kids and adults too. :-)

This book was very easy to read and had great ideas. Very teacher friendly and a good recommendation for others.

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