Strategies Organized by Communication Levels





Level	Continuing Strategies	Strategies to Introduce	Tools
Essential Strategies Across All Levels of Intervention		 Availability for Learning Trusting Relationships Routines Consistency of Partners Responsive and Supportive Environments Hand-Under-Hand Receptive Communication Touch Cues Object Cues Wait Time 	· Individual's Interests
Level I Pre- Intentional Behavior		RoutinesWait TimeContingency GamesTouch Cues	Response Dictionary Embedding Goals into Routines
Level II Intentional Behavior	RoutinesWait TimeTouch CuesContingency GamesHand Under Hand	Object Cues for Receptive Communication Establishing Intentional Behavior	Pre-symbolic Signal DictionaryMy Cue DictionaryEmbedding Goals into Routines
Level III Unconventional Pre-symbolic Behavior	RoutinesWait TimeTouch CuesObject Cues for Receptive Communication	 AT Considerations Begin Development of Symbolization Repeating an Action Requesting More Gaining Attention Making Choices Anticipation Calendar 	
Level IV Conventional Pre-symbolic Communication	 Routines Wait Time Touch Cues Object Cues for Receptive Communication Continue AT Consideration Development of Symbolization Gaining Attention Requesting More Choice Making Anticipation Calendar 	• Establishing Conventional Gestures	My Cue Dictionary Communication Opportunities Data Sheet Embedding Goals into Routines My Signal Dictionary

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Level V Concrete Symbolic Communication	 Routines Wait Time Touch Cues and Object Cues may still be used in some Communication Hand Under Hand may still be used Continue AT Consideration Development of Symbolization 	 Tangible Symbols Conceptual Grouping Vocabulary (LEER) Moving Toward Abstract from Object to Sign Language Daily Calendars 	 My Cue Dictionary Communication Opportunities Data Sheet Embedding Goals into Routines My Signal Dictionary Communication Dictionary Conceptual Grouping Chart
Level VI Abstract Symbolic Communication	 Routines Wait Time Touch Cues and Object Cues may still be used in some Communication Hand Under Hand may still be used Continue AT Consideration Development of Symbolization Tangible Symbols Conceptual Grouping Vocabulary (LEER) Moving Toward Abstract Transitioning from Object to Sign Language Daily Calendars 	Abstract Symbols Combining Abstract Symbols Moving Toward Formal Symbolic Communication	Communication Opportunities Data Sheet Embedding Goals Into Routines My Signal Dictionary Communication Dictionary Conceptual Grouping Chart
Level VII Formal Symbolic Communication (Language)	 Routines Wait Time Touch Cues and Object Cues may still be used in some Communication Hand Under Hand may still be used Continue AT Consideration Development of Symbolization Tangible Symbols Conceptual Grouping Vocabulary (LEER) Moving Toward Abstract Transitioning from Object to Sign Language Daily Calendars 	 AT Symbol Concept Considerations Symbol Combinations Building Vocabulary Skills Building Syntactic and Morphological Skills Semantic Relations Building Operational Competency Building Strategic Competency Combining Abstract Symbols Across Communicative Intent 	Communication Opportunities Data Sheet Embedding Goals into Routines My Signal Dictionary Communication Dictionary Conceptual Grouping Chart Semantic Relations Chart