

## Students with Autism Strategies to Consider

Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) - behavior modification or Lovaas Method; very intense technique using operant conditioning principles and techniques

Denver Model (Sally Rogers) - overlaps in some respects with the Lovass model other ways very different - intensive teaching and developing the social-communicative skills - focus on inclusive settings

Discrete Trial Training (DTT) - breaking down skills into small sub-skills; methodology; one instructional method used in ABA

Floor Time (Greenspan) - like play therapy; often used during play time in conjunction with other methods

Individual Speech and Language Therapy - oral motor facilitation, articulation therapy, social pragmatics and language therapy

Integrated Play (Pamela Wolfbeg) - small groups organized around social/pretend play activities

Picture Exchange Communication System (PECS) - visually based communication system teaches non-verbal child to initiate communication

Sensory Integration (SI) - therapeutic approach focusing on the senses (touch, sight, smell, taste and hearing); occupational therapists often use sensory integration techniques with students; some speech and language pathologists and physical therapists use sensory integration to enhance what they are doing

Social Skills Groups - teach the motivation for and skills of Experience Sharing Interaction; learn friendship, empathy, going with the flow

Social Stories - tool for teaching social skills developed by Carol Gray- understanding and recognizing feelings; stories written in first person and deal with child's needs

Treatment and Education of Children with Autism with Communication Handicap (TEACCH) - help them grow up to maximum autonomy at adult age; teaches competence to make choices