# Activity schedules for children with autism: Teaching independent behavior

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## ABSTRACT (ENGLISH)

Activity schedules enable children with autism to accomplish activities with greatly reduced adult supervision. An activity schedule is a set of pictures or words that cues a child to engage in a sequence of activities. When activity schedules are mastered, children are more self-directed and purposeful in their home, school, and leisure activities—doing puzzles, interacting with classmates, and preparing food with minimal assistance from adults. In this book, parents and professionals will find detailed instructions and examples to help them: assess a child's readiness to use activity schedules, prepare a first photographic activity schedule, understand how to use graduated guidance as a teaching tool, monitor progress, introduce new elements such as choice and use of timers, expand social skills, and progress to written schedules.

This book can be used successfully with young children, adolescents, and adults, rewarding them with more control over their lives. (PsycInfo Database Record (c) 2022 APA, all rights reserved) (Source: cover)

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