

Communication Modality Assessment

Answer Yes or No to the preceding questions. Use the scoring guide below to determine the recommended communication modality

1. The individual points to objects	YES	NO
2. The individual babbles at least 6 times in an hour	YES	NO
3. The individual tolerates physical prompting	YES	NO
4. The individual has at least 1 word in his repertoire	YES	NO
5. The individual has demonstrated imitation skills	YES	NO
6. The individual has demonstrated receptive language skills	YES	NO
7. The individual can imitate at least 2 sounds upon request	YES	NO
8. The individual enjoys cause and effect toys (push a button to make noise/light up)	YES	NO
9. The individual is able to pick up small objects with fingers	YES	NO
10. The individual can expressively label at least 2 items	YES	NO
11. The individual becomes easily frustrated	YES	NO
12. The individual has difficulty sitting in one spot for a given task	YES	NO
13. The individual tolerates others manipulating his hands	YES	NO
14. The individual appears "unaware" of other people	YES	NO
15. The individual can operate a DVD/VCR player	YES	NO
16. The individual says at least one word in a given hour	YES	NO
17. The individual only (or most of the time) gets items himself	YES	NO
18. The individual can reliably play a computer game	YES	NO
19. The individual uses gestures to get his needs met (example: puts arms up to be held)	YES	NO
20. The individual brings items to you when he needs help	YES	NO
21. The individual brings items to you when he wants interaction	YES	NO
22. The individual rarely seeks attention (does not include attention seeking tantrums)	YES	NO
23. The individual has echolalia	YES	NO
24. The individual can reliably navigate the web to reach a desirable website/program	YES	NO
25. The individual can walk/move to get to a desired location/person	YES	NO

Scoring Guide

The row with the most circles corresponds with a likely recommended communication modality

Circle the items answered "YES".	Recommended Communication Modality
2 4 7 10 16 23	Vocal Words
1 3 5 9 13 19	Sign Language
1 6 9 12 20 21 25	Picture Exchange
1 8 11	Low Tech Augmentative Communication
3 5 6 13 15 18 24	High Tech Augmentative Communication
11 14 17 22	Pre-Requisite Communication Training