



REINFORCEMENT INVENTORY

Assessing what the child or young person is interested in using a reinforcement inventory is key to addressing motivation and functional communication.

The attached inventory is only one example of how this can be addressed. Symbols and photos can also be used in addition to or to replace the written word.

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INSTRUCTIONS: The items in this questionnaire refer to things and experiences that may give a person joy, satisfaction, or pleasurable feelings. Check each item in the column that describes how much the person enjoys the things described.

Reinforcement Inventory

DESCRIPTION OF POTENTIALLY REINFORCING EVENTS	NOT AT ALL	A LITTLE	A FAIR AMOUNT	MUCH	VERY MUCH
A. FOOD ITEMS					
1. CANDY					
WHAT KIND?					
A.					
B.					
C.					
2. ICE CREAM					
WHAT KIND?					
A.					
B.					
3. NUTS					
4. POTATO CHIPS					
5. CAKE					
6. COOKIES					
7. BEVERAGES					
WHAT KIND?					
A.					
B.					
8. OTHER FOODS					
A.					
B.					
C.					
D.					
B. TOYS AND PLAYTHINGS					
1. RACING CARS					
2. ELECTRIC TRAINS					
3. BICYCLE					
4. SKATE BOARD					
5. PLAYING WITH DOLLS					

6. MAKE-UP AND DRESS-UP TOYS					
7. ERECTOR SET					
8. OTHER TOYS					
A.					
B.					
C. ENTERTAINMENT					
1. WATCHING TELEVISION FAVOURITE PROGRAMS?					
A.					
B.					
2. MOVIES					
3. LISTENING TO MUSIC FAVOURITE PROGRAMME/ARTISTS					
A.					
B.					

DESCRIPTION OF POTENTIALLY REINFORCING EVENTS	NOT AT ALL	A LITTLE	A FAIR AMOUNT	MUCH	VERY MUCH
D. SPORTS AND GAMES					
1. PLAYING FOOTBALL WITH KIDS					
2. PLAYING FOOTBALL WITH PARENTS					
3. SWIMMING					
4. BIKE RIDING					
5. SKATING					
6. SKIING					
7. HORSEBACK RIDING					
8. TENNIS					
9. HIKING					
10. CHECKERS					
11. FISHING					
12. BASEBALL					
13. PING PONG					
14. SCRABBLE					
15. MONOPOLY					
16. PAINTING BY THE NUMBERS					
17. COMPUTER GAMES					
18. VIDEO GAMES					
19. CLUE					
20. COMPETITIVE GAMES					

21. OTHER					
A.					
B.					
E. MUSIC / ARTS / CRAFTS					
1. PLAYING A MUSICAL INSTRUMENT					
TYPE?					
2. SINGING					
3. DANCING					
4. DRAWING					
5. BUILDING MODELS					
6. WORKING WITH TOOLS					
7. WORKING WITH CLAY					
8. MUSICAL GROUP					
9. OTHER?					
A.					
B.					
F. EXCURSIONS / COMMUNITY					
1. RIDE IN CAR					
2. GOING TO WORK WITH MOTHER / FATHER					
3. VISITING GRANDPARENTS OR RELATIVES					
4. VISIT TO BEACH					
5. PICNIC					
6. VACATION (WHERE ?)					
DESCRIPTION OF POTENTIALLY REINFORCING EVENTS	NOT AT ALL	A LITTLE	A FAIR AMOUNT	MUCH	VERY MUCH
7. AIRPLANE RIDE					
8. GOING OUT TO DINNER					
9. VISIT A FRIEND (WHO?)					
10. VISIT A CITY (WHERE?)					
11. VISIT A MUSEUM					
12. GOING TO SHOP (NAME)					
13. GOING FOR WALK					
14. GOING TO LIBRARY					
15. VISIT AMUSEMENT PARK					
16. OTHER?					
A.					
B.					

G. SOCIAL INTERACTION					
1. PLAYING WITH OTHERS (WHOM)					
2. BEING PRAISED (BY WHOM)					
A.					
B.					
C.					
D.					
3. BEING HUGGED AND KISSED					
4. BEING TOUCHED					
5. GROUP ACTIVITIES (GIRL/BOY SCOUTS, CLUBS)					
6. GOING TO FRIENDS (WHOM)					
7. HAVING FRIENDS SLEEP OVER					
8. SLEEPING AT FRIENDS HOUSE (WHOSE)					
9. TALKING WITH OTHERS					
10. KIDDING AND JOKING					
11. PARTY FOR FRIENDS					
12. TAKING FRIENDS OUT					
13. HAPPY FACES, SMILES					
14. OTHER?					
H. ACADEMIC / CLASSROOM					
1. LEARNING A NEW LANGUAGE					
2. TAKING PIANO LESSONS					
3. READING					
4. BEING READ TO					
5. LOOKING AT BOOKS					
6. SPELLING					
7. SCIENCE					
8. SOCIAL STUDIES					
9. PHYSICAL EDUCATION					
10. MATHS					
11. GOING TO SCHOOL					
12. RIDING BUS TO SCHOOL					
13. DOING HOMEWORK					
14. HELPING TEACHER					
15. HELPING CHILDREN					
DESCRIPTION OF POTENTIALLY REINFORCING EVENTS	NOT AT ALL	A LITTLE	A FAIR AMOUNT	MUCH	VERY MUCH
16. CAFETERIA HELPER					
17. ROOM PROCTOR / LEADER					

18. LINE MONITOR					
19. EXTRA RECESS, FREE TIME					
20. LEAVE CLASS OR SCHOOL EARLY					
21. VISIT ACTIVITY CENTRE OR CORNER					
22. LISTEN TO RECORDS					
23. READ BOOK OF CHOICE					
24. WRITE NOTES					
25. HALL MONITOR					
26. INDIVIDUAL CONFERENCE OR COUNSELLING					
27. GET A DRINK					
28. TUTOR ANOTHER STUDENT					
29. ARRANGE BULLETING BOARD					
30. OTHER					
A.					
B.					
I. DOMESTIC ACTIVITIES					
1. SETTING THE TABLE					
2. MAKING THE BED					
3. BAKING					
4. REPAIRING OR BUILDING					
5. WORKING IN THE YARD					
6. GOING ON ERRANDS					
7. COOKING					
8. WASHING / WORKING ON THE CAR					
9. SEWING					
10. SHOPPING					
11. PREPARING A MENU					
12. RUNNING ERRANDS					
13. EXEMPT FROM A DOMESTIC ACTIVITY					
J. PERSONAL APPEARANCE					
1. GETTING NEW CLOTHES					
2. PUTTING ON MAKE UP					
3. PURCHASING MAKE UP					
4. WEARING SPECIAL CLOTHES					
5. DRESSING IN A COSTUME					
6. WEARING OTHERS CLOTHING					
7. GETTING A HAIRCUT					

8. GOING TO BEAUTY PARLOUR					
9. MANICURE					
10. PEDICURE					
11. MASSAGE					
12. WEARING PERFUME OR COLOGNE					
13. WEARING JEWELLERY					
14. PURCHASING JEWELLERY					
15. HAVING PICTURE TAKEN					
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16. OTHER					
A.					
B.					
C.					
D.					
K. OTHER EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES					
1. STAYING UP PAST BEDTIME					
2. EARNING MONEY					
3. HAVING FREE TIME					
4. HAVING A PET					
5. HAVING OR GOING TO A PARTY					
6. TAKING A BATH OR SHOWER					
7. SLEEPING WITH PARENTS					
8. FEEDING THE PET					
9. LISTENING TO STORIES					
10. FRIEND TO EAT OVER					
11. TALKING INTO A TAPE RECORDER					
12. DECORATING OWN ROOM					
13. EXTENDED BEDTIME					
14. PLAN THE DAYS ACTIVITIES					
15. PUBLIC DISPLAY OF WORK OR PROGRESS					
16. CHOOSING OWN BEDTIME					
17. SLEEPING LATE					
18. CHAIRPERSON AT MEETING					
19. SUBSCRIPTION TO SPECIAL MAGAZINE					
20. NO NAGGING BY OTHERS					

21. ATTENTION GIVEN IN A GROUP					
22. PERIOD WITH NO MONITORING					
23. OPPORTUNITY TO MASTURBATE					
24. OPPORTUNITY TO LEAVE WORK EARLY					
25. OPPORTUNITY TO SELECT A JOB					
26. WORK IN A SPECIAL SETTING					
27. OTHER					
A.					
B.					
C.					
D.					
E.					
L. TOKEN REINFORCERS					
1. STARS ON A CHART					
2. HAPPY /SMILING FACES					
3. SPECIAL BADGES					
4. GRADES					
5. CERTIFICATES					
6. NAME ON HONOUR ROLL					
7. ACCUMULATION OF MARBLE/CHIPS					
DESCRIPTION OF POTENTIALLY REINFORCING EVENTS	NOT AT ALL	A LITTLE	A FAIR AMOUNT	MUCH	VERY MUCH
8. SIGNATURES					
9. 'CORRECT' MARKED ON A PAGE					
10. POINTS					
11. NUMBERS					
12. MONEY					
13. PLAY MONEY					
14. THEATRE TICKETS					
15. NUMBERS IN CHECK BOOK REGISTER					
16. GIFT CERTIFICATE					
17. OTHER					
A.					
B.					

M. OTHER					

List below those events or activities the person does more than:

5 TIMES A DAY	10 TIMES A DAY

15 TIMES A DAY	20 TIMES A DAY

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How much time does the person spend in the following activities (e.g. hours, minutes)?

Watching television?		Sleeping?	
Listening to music?		Alone?	
Playing with others?		Reading?	
Playing with toys?		Playing alone?	
Talking on telephone?		Organised sport?	
Sitting around?		Eating?	
Random activity?			

What is the person's most favourite thing to do?	
What is the person's least favourite thing to do?	
What does the person ask for most often?	
What does the person complain about most?	
What does the person seem to try to avoid the most?	