

Parent Resources



Resource	Source and Description
AAC Resources for Families	www.connsensebulletin.com
	Ideas for families for beginning accessibility; websites; resources; etc.
Ability Net	www.abilitynet.org.uk/content/info/parent/parent.htm
	This section of the website is dedicated to assisting parents in finding AT solutions, purchasing and training on devices & overall information.
Assistive Technology and Young Children	www.ode.state.or.us/gradelevel/pre_k/eiecse/pdfs/assisttechyoungchildpt1.pdf
	(Gayle Bowser)
Assistive Technology Pointers for Parents	CATO; PO Box 431; Windchester OR 97495
	Describes the AT process, AT consideration, FAQs & case studies. (Gayle Bowser & Penny Reed)
Communication Matrix Especially for Parents	www.designtolearn.com
	Book lists steps in development of communication. (Charity Rowland)
C^3	www.c3online.org
	Family and youth resource site for information and services; families can find nearby resources.
CONNSENSE	www.connsensebulletin.com/aacresources.pdf
	Articles in the online newsletter highlighting the latest in AAC for teams.
Family Center on Technology & Disability	www.fctd.info
	This resource supports organizations and programs for families looking at AT.
Family Guide to Assistive Technology	www.pluk.org/ATI.html
	Basics regarding AT, problem solving, resources, funding, strategies, etc. (Katherin A. Kelker)
Family Place in Cyberspace	www.ataccess.org/resources/fpic/default.html
	Part of Alliance for Technology Access website addressing accessible play & learning ideas for families.

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Family Village	www.familyvillage.wisc.edu/education/at.html
	Website that lists other websites for families looking for assistive technology information.
Fritschi's Assistive Technology Resources	http://fritschi.home.mindspring.com
	An excellent resource list of websites & resources listed by category.
Fun for Everyone: A Guide to Adapted Leisure Activities for Children with Disabilities	www.ablenetinc.com
	Activities that can be adapted to increase participation. (Jackie Levin & Kathy Enselein)
GPAT Video Clips—Valdosta State University	http://coefaculty.valdosta.edu/spe/ATRB/video_tips.htm
	Training clips: devices, documentation, consideration, evaluation, resources, etc. Video also signed.
Hands on Learning at Home	www.designtolearn.com
	Checklist of situational cognitive & social skills. (Charity Rowland)
Home Inventory of Problem Solving Skills	www.designtolearn.com
	Good checklists & situational pictures. (Charity Rowland & Philip Schweigert)
IRSC—Internet Resources for Special Children	www.irsc.org
	Information about disabilities & other health-related disorders; also information on AT.
The Journey to Independence Through Assistive Technology: A Guide for Parents of Children with Disabilities	www.mindspring.com/~ncatp/prnt-toc.htm
	This site by the North Carolina Assistive Technology Projects helps parents learn how to work with systems to find assistive technology for their children.
Making Sure Your Child Can Communicate with People Outside Your Home	www.ohsu.edu/selfdetermination
	Profiles & vocabulary lists with ideas for partnered communication. (Charity Rowland, Philip Schweigert, & Alexandra Dorinson)
PACER	www.pacer.org
	Advocacy agency that also provides AT assistance to families.

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Quick & Easy Ideas & Materials to Help the Nonverbal Child "Talk" at Home	www.mayer-johnson.com
	Quick & easy ideas for helping families set up their home for communication. (Carolyn Rouse & Katera Murphy)
Really Useful Technology for Students for Learning	www.pacer.org
	PACER Simon Technology Center describes specific tools, websites, resources, inservice, etc.
TVO Kids	www.tvokids.com
	Games for academic areas.
Visual Strategies for Improving Communication: Practical Supports for Home & School	www.mayer-johnson.com
	Illustrated ideas & strategies for communication in the classroom using visuals. (Linda Hodgdon)
What Should We Expect of Assistive Technology? Being Sensitive to Family Goals	TEACHING Exceptional Children Sept / Oct 2002
	Article defines AT, discusses family goals, expectations, & resource commitments. (Phil Parette & Gale A Mahan)