



100 Effective Accommodations/Services for Students Experiencing Academic and/or Behavioral Difficulties

1. Provide study carrels.
2. Use room dividers.
3. Provide headsets to muffle noise.
4. Seat student away from doors and windows.
5. Seat student near model (student or teacher).
6. Provide a time-out area.
7. Rearrange student groups (according to instructional needs, role models, etc.).
8. Group for cooperative learning.
9. Vary working surfaces (e.g. floor or white board).
10. Simplify and/or shorten instructions.
11. Give both oral and written directions.
12. Have student repeat directions.
13. Have student repeat lesson objective.
14. Ask frequent questions.
15. Change question level.
16. Change response format (e.g. from verbal to physical, from saying to pointing.)
17. Provide sequential directions (label as 1st, 2nd, etc.).
18. Use manipulatives.
19. Alter objective criterion level.
20. Provide functional tasks (relate to child's environment).
21. Reduce number of items on a task.
22. Highlight relevant words/features.
23. Use rebus (picture) directions.
24. Provide guided practice.
25. Provide more practice trials.
26. Increase allocated time.
27. Use a strategy approach.
28. Change reinforcers.
29. Increase reinforcement frequency.
30. Delay reinforcement.
31. Increases wait time.
32. Use physical warm-up exercises.
33. Use specific rather than general praise.
34. Have a peer tutor program.
35. Provide frequent review.
36. Have student summarize at end of lesson.
37. Use self-correcting materials.
38. Adapt test items for differing response methods.
39. Provide mnemonic devices.
40. Provide tangible reinforcers.
41. Use behavioral contracts
42. Establish routines for handing work in, heading papers, etc.
43. Use timers to show allocated time.
44. Teach self-monitoring.
45. Provide visual cues (e.g. posters, desktop number lines, etc.).
46. Block out extraneous stimuli on written material.
47. Tape record directions.
48. Tape record student responses.
49. Use a study guide.
50. Provide critical vocabulary list for content material.
51. Provide essential fact list.
52. Use clock faces to show classroom times.
53. Use dotted lines to line up math problems or show margins.
54. Provide transition directions.
55. Assign only one task at a time.
56. Provide discussion questions before reading.
57. Use word markers to guide reading.
58. Alter sequence of presentation.
59. Enlarge or highlight key words on test items.
60. Provide daily and weekly assignment sheets.
61. Post daily/weekly schedule.
62. Use graph paper for place value or when adding or subtracting two-digit numbers.
63. Provide anticipation cues.
64. Establish rules and review frequently.
65. Teach key direction words.
66. Use distributed practice.
67. Provide pencil grips.
68. Tape paper to desk.
69. Shorten project assignments into daily tasks.
70. Segment directions.
71. Number (order) assignments to be completed.
72. Change far-point to near-point material for copying or review.
73. Put desk close to blackboard.
74. Incorporate currently popular themes/characters into assignments for motivation.
75. Repeat major points.
76. Use physical cues while speaking (e.g. 1, 2, 3, etc.).
77. Pause during speaking.
78. Use verbal cues (e.g., 'Don't write this down,' 'This is important').
79. Change tone of voice, whisper, etc.
80. Use an honor system.
81. Collect notebooks weekly (periodically) to review student's notes.
82. Reorganize tests to go from easy to hard.
83. Color code place value tasks.
84. Use self-teaching materials.
85. Do only odd or even numbered items on a large task sheet.
86. Use primary typewriter or large print for written material.
87. Provide organizers (e.g. cartons/bins) for desk materials.
88. Teach varied reading rates (e.g. scanning, skimming, etc.).
89. Provide content/lecture summaries.
90. Use peer-mediated strategies, (e.g. buddy-system).
91. Call student's name before asking a question.
92. Use extra spaces between lines of print.
93. Color code materials/directions.
94. Use raised-line paper.
95. Provide calculators.
96. Circle math computation sign.
97. Use hand signals to cue behavior (e.g. attention, responding, etc.).
98. Establish a rationale for learning.
99. Use advance organizers.
100. Help students develop their own learning strategies.

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