

## Autism Outreach Project Resource Library: Assessment

TITLE	AUTHOR (S)	TYPE	CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION
Autism: The Child Who Couldn't Play	CBC	Video	Assessment	This video provides an overview of the characteristics associated with and current research into autism spectrum disorders. The video describes the program offered by the Princeton Child Development Institute, highlights the importance of early intervention, and describes the use and role of applied behavior analysis. Recommended for use by professionals and families involved in the diagnosis and assessment of autism spectrum disorders.
But He Knows His Colors: Characteristics of Autism in Children Birth to Three	New Mexico Autism Program, UNM	Video	Assessment	Autism is a behaviorally defined condition in which children exhibit a range of behaviors. There are three major areas: impairments in social interaction; impairments in communication, verbal and nonverbal; and restrictive repetitive stereotyped behaviors. It can be difficult to obtain a diagnosis before the age of three because the behaviors that define autism are often disregarded because of the young age of the child. In this video four children with a diagnosis of autism demonstrate some of the characteristic behaviors.
Diagnosis and Assessment in Autism	Eric Schopler and Gary B. Mesibov	Book	Assessment	Part of the Current Issues in Autism Series, this volume is based on one of the annual TEACCH conferences in Chapel Hill. Part I: Introduction and Overview, Part II: Diagnostic Issues, Part III: General Assessment Issues, and Part IV: Special Issues.
Family Assessment in Early Intervention	Donald Bailey, Jr. & Rune J. Simeonsson	Book	Assessment	This text examines issues related to the systematic assessment of family strengths and needs, describes characteristics of various family assessments, identifies considerations in selecting and using family assessments, and proposes and approach to the development of family goals.
First Signs: On the Spectrum	First Signs Program	Video	Assessment	The mission of First Signs is to promote the early identification of, and intervention for, Autism and other developmental disorders. This video provides clinicians with the tools to discuss parent concerns, offer routine screenings, and when necessary, to be able to respond to the "first" signs of a developmental disorder through referral and follow-up.

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Pervasive Developmental Disorder: An Altered Perspective	Barbara Quinn and Anthony Malone	Book	Assessment	This book, written for parents, explains what it means to have your child diagnosed with PDD, NOS, autism, or Asperger's Syndrome and where you go from there. The authors describe the symptoms of PDD, what the diagnosis means, how a child fits into the diagnostic terminology, and the diagnostic procedures involved. They also review associated disorders such as OCD and discuss the different treatments and therapies available. The book includes frequently-asked questions as well as the experience of other parents.
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