

Autism Outreach Project Resource Library: Transition/Vocation

TITLE	AUTHOR (S)	TYPE	CATEGORY	DESCRIPTION	
Asperger Syndrome: Transition to College and Work	Coulter Video	DVD	Transition/Vocation & High Funct/Aspergers	Practical steps students can take during high school to prepare for college and the work place.	New
Asperger Syndrome at Work: Success Strategies for Employees and Employers	Coulter Video	DVD	High Funct/Aspergers, Transition/Vocation	This DVD features interviews with employees who have Asperger Syndrome describing how they succeed in the workplace; with additional insights from their supervisors, coworkers, and job coaches.	New
Asperger Syndrome Employment Workbook	Roger N. Meyer	Book	Transition/Vocation	This practical manual will enable people diagnosed with Asperger Syndrome and high functioning autism to deepen their self-understanding and appreciate their value as working individuals. Through step-by-step self-assessment, the reader is encouraged to identify the work best suited to their personal needs, talents, and strengths.	
Autism in Adolescents & Adults	ed by Eric Schopler & Gary Mesibov	Book	Transition/Vocation	The authors survey the needs, problems, and services for autistic adolescents and adults. They consider problems with language, education, recreation, vocational training, medical needs, sex education, and the management of aggression as well as family perspectives, legal needs, and residential and community-based services.	
Autism P.D.D. - More Creative Ideas	Janice Adams	Book	Transition/Vocation	Programs and exercises for the older student or adult with autism. Find ideas on social skills, friendships, sexuality, employment, transition, and other areas important to this age group. Very comprehensive.	
Autism: Preparing for Adulthood	Patricia Howlin	Book	Transition/Vocation	The book discusses the problems and solutions related to educational and occupational attainments and ways of coping with psychiatric and other difficulties, and fostering independence in later life. The focus is not on cures or miracles but on the improvement in quality of life.	
Careers: Opportunity for Growth	Dr. Temple Grandin	Video	Transition/Vocation	This video features Temple Grandin speaking about obtaining and maintaining employment. Specific topics addressed include preparation for work, job options, the role of mentors, social behaviors in work situations, and other related topics. Temple offers her personal insights and perspectives. Recommended for use by professionals, family members, and individuals with autism spectrum disorders interested in examining employment options.	

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Developing Talents - Careers for Individuals with Asperger Syndrome and High-Functioning Autism	Temple Grandin and Kate Duffy	Book	Transition/Vocation	Presented in an easy to read format, this book focuses on using one's strengths, natural talents, and special interests to gain employment and lead successful lives. This book offers helpful strategies to promote such things as addressing sensory needs in the workplace as well as creating a portfolio to showcase one's talents. R.S.
Guide to Successful Employment for Individuals with Autism	Smith Belcher & Juhrs	Book	Transition/Vocation	This handbook demonstrates how individuals with autism can perform effectively in the workplace. Addressing all aspects of job placement, this resource provides strategies for assessing workers, networking for job opportunities, and tailoring job supports to each individual. Case studies illustrate techniques for helping individuals with autism become productive employees and detailed descriptions of specific jobs provide ideas for employment in manufacturing, printing and bulk mailing, food service, retail, and other areas.
How to Find Work That Works for People with Asperger Syndrome	Gail Hawkins	Book	Transition/Vocation	The ultimate guide for getting people with Asperger Syndrome into the workplace (and keeping them there!) The author's well-tested approach provides all the information needed to begin the journey to successful, fulfilling employment for people on the autism spectrum.
Let Community Employment be the Goal for Individuals with Autism	Joanne Suomi, Lisa Ruble, Nancy Dalrymple (Indiana Resource Center for Autism)	Book	Transition/Vocation	A guide for people who are responsible for preparing individuals with autism to enter the world of work.
Preparing for Life: The Complete Guide for Transitioning to Adulthood for those with Autism and Asperger's Syndrome	Dr. Jed Baker	Book	Transition/Vocation	This easy-to-follow resource provides a complete toolbox of social skills and the means to attain them so that students may approach their futures with excitement rather than anxiety. A wide variety of issues are covered such as perspective-taking, nonverbal communication skills, conversational skills, and stress management. Also included are the laws and services that provide assistance as well as options and resources.
Understanding Autism	Films for the Humanities & Sciences	Video	Transition/Vocation	

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What's Next? Preparing the Student with Autism or Other Developmental Disabilities for Success in the Community	Carol Gray	Book	Transition/Vocation	This manual will help parents, professionals, and students coordinate efforts and develop curriculum to improve the chances for success in the future. Chapters include habits of success as an educational outcome, the evaluation system, environmental assistance, and social assistance and social reading.