

Activity Sheet

Name of Activity: What are Functional Skills and Behaviors?

Look at the list of skills below. Which are examples of functional skills? Which are examples of isolated (or discrete) skills? Place an X in the appropriate column and be prepared to explain why you selected your answers.

Skill	Functional	Isolated
1. Knows how to imitate a gesture when prompted by others		
2. Uses finger in pointing motion		
3. Uses 2-word utterances		
4. Watches what a peer says or does and incorporates it into his/her own play		
5. Points to indicate needs or wants		
6. Engages in back and forth verbal exchanges with caregivers using 2-word utterances		
7. Uses pincer grasp		
8. Can eat dry cereal with fingers		
9. Touches toy or adult's hand to restart an activity		
10. Makes stepping movements		