

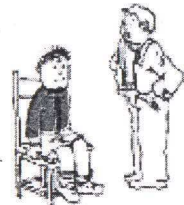


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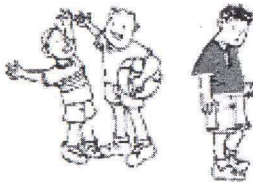
WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS DAY



Doesn't respond when called, sometimes appears deaf



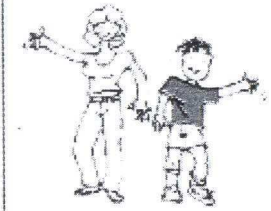
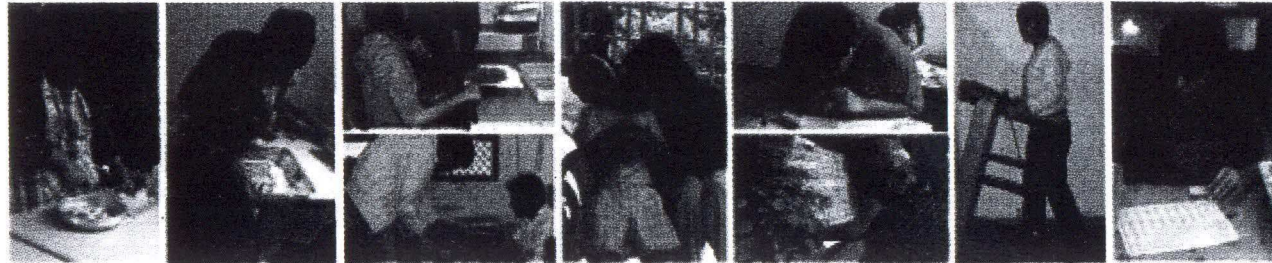
Avoids eye contact



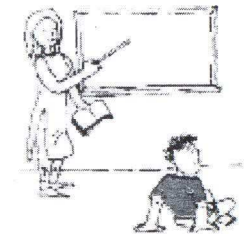
Difficulty in mixing and playing with other children



Does not point with the index finger to indicate interest



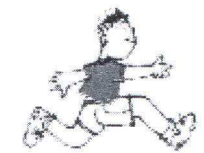
Likes sameness in everyday routine, does not enjoy change



Not responsive to normal teaching methods



Lack of pretend play or unusual and repetitive pretend play



Extreme restlessness, hyperactivity or extreme passivity

Did You Know That...

Autism, or Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) affects the way the brain processes information, and prevents individuals from properly understanding what they see, hear, and otherwise sense, resulting in difficulties in social relationships, communication, and behaviour.

- There are around 10 million people in India with ASD; 80% of these are boys
- Symptoms of autism can range from a mild social and learning disability to a severe impairment.
- Some children with autism do not ever develop speech, some rarely use language to communicate, and some can go on to graduate from college
- What causes autism is not yet known; hence there is no cure
- Autism shows no social, educational, economic, caste, or religious bias

Parents!

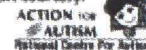
- Autism is a complex condition. If you suspect that your child may have autism, start intervention right away. Don't wait for your child to be 'older' or till she/he receives a diagnosis
- The route to helping your child lies in understanding autism and the unique ways it manifests in your child
- There is no cure for autism, but every child with autism can learn and progress
- Suitable education can contribute significantly to improve the long-term opportunities of children with autism

For any further details, call Abiline 011-26466250, 1800-11-6800 (Toll-free) or contact:



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