

Using Visual Strategies for Learning at Home and School

What is a visual?

- Body Language
- Natural Environment Cues
- Tools for Organizing and Giving Information

Visuals will help children: (www.lindahodgdon.com (in English))

Establish attention

Give information

Explain social situations

Give choices

Provide structure to the day

Teach routines

Organize materials in the environment

Organize the space in the environment

Teach new skills

Support transitions

Stay on task

Ignore distractions

Manage time

Communicate rules

Assist students in handling change

Guide self-management

Aid memory

Speed up slow thinking

Support language retrieval

Provide structure

Learn vocabulary

Communicate emotions

Clarify verbal information

Organize life information

Review & remember

Visuals will help parents:

- By using less time for repetition of directions and instructions
- By reducing the intensity of support needed for many children
- Be consistent with training procedures
- Be consistent with the language used for verbal requests and directions
- Plan ahead for more specific and organized transitions

The use of visuals will improve overall behavior management, comprehension, and learning!

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