

Gift Ideas for Parents and Teachers

AAPC (Autism Asperger Publishing Co.)

<http://www.asperger.net>

We are an independent publisher specializing in books on autism spectrum disorders based on the latest research on autism, Asperger syndrome and other pervasive developmental disorders. We take pride in offering books that provide practical solutions for individuals with an autism spectrum disorder as well as parents, teachers or others working or living with an individual with an autism spectrum disorder. In addition to autism books and asperger books, we offer videos and other interactive products. We have recently expanded our titles of books and resources on social skills and sensory integration due to the importance of these areas for individuals on the autism spectrum and the scarcity of resources in these areas. Whether you need information about an autism spectrum disorder or social skills or sensory integration, we offer books, resources, and conferences of the highest caliber with a practical focus.

Pocket Full of Therapy: Select Pediatric and School Based Products

<http://www.pfot.com>

Pocket Full of Therapy (PFOT), established in 1989, assists parents, teachers, Occupational Therapists, learning & development professionals and others concerned with the development of children with finding the unique products and resources needed to provide effective, appropriate, motivating and fun, pediatric therapy and learning. Our ShopOnline Catalog is filled with select pediatric and school-based products that we carefully evaluate and review before offering them for sale. To help you locate a specific product, our catalog and our online shopping cart are divided into therapeutic categories. PFOT also offers several interactive online services to foster a community of caring and sharing.

Therapy Shoppe

<http://www.therapysshoppe.com>

On our site you will find a wonderful assortment of therapy merchandise: specialty toys and games, hard-to-find favorites, innovative new products you haven't even heard of yet, and lots of other great goodies and gadgets!... Everything you've been looking for and much more, at very pleasing prices, all under one little roof. And you'll receive warm, personal service from our caring staff... each and every time. We're environmentally conscious; recycling whenever we can to help conserve precious resources and to keep costs down. While our merchandise is always first rate, packaging materials and shipping boxes may have been around the block a few times before! We're looking forward to serving you and to providing one of the most exciting and inclusive selections of therapy products anywhere. Welcome to the Therapy Shoppe and thank you for your business.

Different Roads to Learning: Your ABA and VB Resource

<http://www.difflearn.com/>

Founded in 1995 by the mother of a child diagnosed with Autism, Different Roads to Learning carries over 500 products carefully selected to support the Autism Community. We understand and embrace the unique needs of every child on the spectrum and strive to enable parents and professionals to help our children grow to their full potential. We have carefully researched our products to ensure their quality and utility while we continue to explore new topics in order to offer you the most appropriate and progressive materials available. On our site, you'll find

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everything from basic flashcards, books and timers to advanced social skills tools to support you at every step of your program.

Southpaw Enterprises

<http://www.southpawenterprises.com>

We're not all left-handed, but we do take a different approach to business. We're all about creative solutions, information, and advice – not mass distribution of the latest gadget. In fact, since our founding in 1976, we've dedicated ourselves to developing and manufacturing sensory integration dysfunction (DSI) and neurodevelopmental products that help therapeutic professionals, people with special needs, their families, and other professionals, solve problems or meet new challenges. Although we focus on clinic-based therapy, we continue to develop products for teachers in the classroom and for parents for use at home under the guidance of a therapist. We also offer the entire community education, insight, and resources for learning more about DSI and related neurodevelopmental disorders. We believe whole-heartedly that it is information that will lead to greater strides and progress in understanding and treating these disorders.

Mayer-Johnson Products

<http://www.mayer-johnson.com/>

Mayer-Johnson's mission is to enhance learning and human expression for individuals with special needs through symbol-based products, training and services. For more than 25 years, Special Educators, Speech and Language Pathologists, Parents and Caregivers have successfully applied the company's Picture Communication Symbols® (PCS) at home, school and in clinical settings. Today, approximately 11,000 PCS symbols are available in 44 languages and used throughout the world.

Shoe Box Tasks

<http://www.shoebotasks.com/>

Good site for ideas for shoebox tasks. Lots of links and monthly ideas. "Centering on Children is dedicated to providing creative learning experiences for autistic individuals or those with learning disabilities who are beginning the process of "learning how to learn". ShoeboxTasks® provide the opportunity for children or adults who need a high degree of structure to experience success and build upon that success for greater skill and independence." The focus of this website is to promote and sale structured work systems which are a product and part of the TEACCH program.

Simplified Technology – Linda Burkhart

<http://www.lburkhart.com>

Tons of information on assistive technology, products and low tech ideas to promote communication.

Toys"R"Us Toy Guide for Differently-Abled Kids

<http://www.toysrus.com>

As a company that loves all kids, Toys"R"Us, Inc. has a long history of supporting the special needs community. For nearly 20 years, we have published the annual Toys"R"Us Toy Guide for Differently-Abled Kids, an easy-to-use resource featuring specially selected toys that encourage play for children with physical, cognitive or developmental disabilities.

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