



Graphic organizers



Tool Description

This tool will give you a few tips on what how your child can become responsible for their activities' organization. We will show what options are possible and provide an example of graphic organizer for you to use.

Don't forget to test different solutions with your child to make sure they are comfortable with the structure of the organizer they will use in their daily activities!

What is the challenge the tool can solve?

Dys children can experience different difficulties in their daily life that prevent them from managing their time and activities properly. These difficulties can be for instance a low attention and memory span, or an inexact estimation of time.

Some Dys children will feel anxious if they can't manage their activities and have a clear view of their day or week. Some automatisms that are common in most children are more difficult to integrate for Dys children.

What are the benefits for Dys persons?

This anxiety can be prevented in several ways. Many non-Dys people use organizers such as Trello or Asana, which are tables that show everything that needs to be done using a color code for each type of activity.

Dys children can greatly benefit from the use of a graphic organizer as it will help them develop their organizational skills and will provide a clear summary of their day, thus lowering the aforementioned anxiety. For those who don't have a clear estimation of how much they can do in a certain period of time, having a visual representation of their activities and schedule can also help conceptualize time more accurately.

Example of use in daily life

First, let's see what makes a good graphic organizer for Dys children:

- Don't put too much information
- Keep it simple and clear
- Classify each type of activity using a color code
- Use the same colors in their notebooks and binders
- Let them mark the finished activities with a ✓
- You can also use images to help visualize each activity

Here is an example:

WEEK PLAN

WHAT ARE YOU DOING THIS WEEK?

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
School <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Math test✓ Learn poem<input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/>	School <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Multiplication tables✓ Practice dictation<input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/>	School <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ History homework✓ English test✓ Read text in Spanish<input type="checkbox"/>
Home <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Dirty laundry in the bin✓ Make the bed<input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/>	Home <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Make the bed✓ Tidy up bedroom✓ Play the piano<input type="checkbox"/>	Home <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Make the bed✓ Football game<input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/>

THURSDAY	FRIDAY	NOTES
School <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Geography homework✓ Read 1 chapter<input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/>	School <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Revise mathematics✓ Grammar exercise<input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Check plan every day✓ Tick when done<input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/>
Home <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Make the bed✓ Tidy up bedroom✓ Play tennis<input type="checkbox"/>	Home <ul style="list-style-type: none">✓ Make the bed✓ Do the dishes<input type="checkbox"/><input type="checkbox"/>	

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