

Effective Behaviour Management Strategies

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Challenging Behaviour



- Behaviours are actions which can be observed.
- Behaviours manifest in different ways.
- Challenging behaviour does not mean behaviour which is inconvenient or non compliant.
- All of us will have experienced various challenges when it comes to behaviour.

Common types of **Challenging Behaviour**



Examples

- Stubbornness
- Not Listening
- **Tantrums**
- Fights/arguments Chatting back

- Aggression Raising voice/shouting
- Destruction
- Self Injury biting/nipping
- Running away









Emotional Causes

What are the underlying causes that lead to certain behaviours?



Social Causes



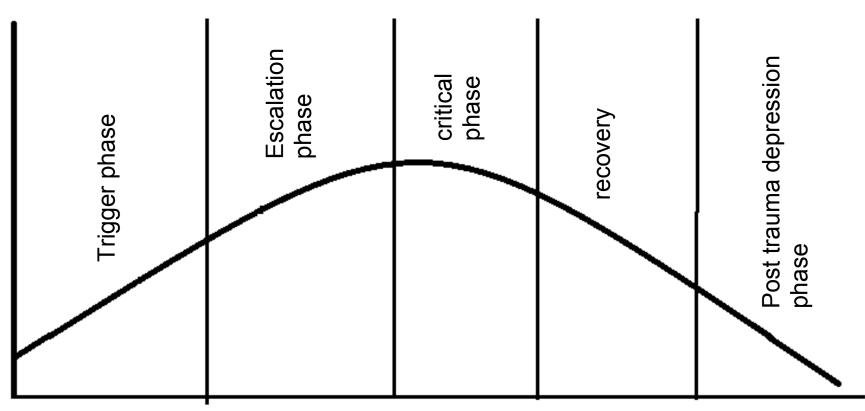
Environmental Causes





Behaviour Timeline





De-escalation

- Appear calm
- Convey care and control
- Think about body language and tone of voice
- Try to identify what has caused the behaviour
- The behaviour is only the tip of the iceberg, work out what is going on underneath the surface
- Remove the source of agitation
- Diversion techniques/Ignore/Challenge
- Acknowledge the behaviour and name the feelings



Prevention, what can we be doing...



- Individuals that present challenging behaviour may have a skill deficit.
- Early action to diffuse a situation is most desirable.
- Knowing why an individual gets upset is crucial.

A B C's and keeping a record



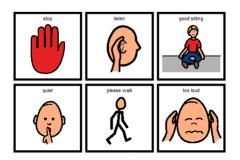
- A Antecedent
 What precipitated the behaviour?
- **B** Behaviour What precise behaviour took place?
- C Consequence
 What happened afterwards?



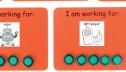
Only when you get to know the individual, and the patterns of their behaviour, do you know how to effectively manage their behaviour and take a preventative approach.

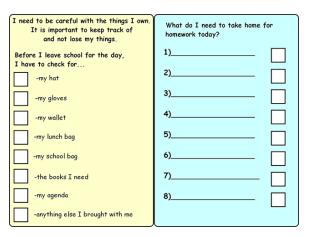
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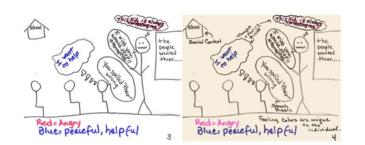
with challenging behaviour...





















I had bad behavior and I got a time out.

sorry. I can leave time out now.

What should I do in a time out? I should not yell, talk, or run away

I will sit quietly and wait. I will not talk or ask when my time out is

An adult will tell me when my time out is finished, I need to say

If I have good behavior in time out it will go fast. I need to keep















"If you've met one person with autism – you've met one person with autism."

Dr Stephen Shore



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