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Examines real life reflections on Autism Spectrum Disorders, the practices and issues related to assessing, instructing and life-long planning for individuals with autism. This book provides information on identification, characteristics, diagnosis; speci
