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already work; 2.3 Be imaginative about TA support; 2.4 Provide or suggest a whole range of visual cues and clues 2.5 Ask that break-time rules be made explicit 2.6 Agree on rules of etiquette to avoid 'rudeness'; 2.7 Request differentiation to avoid problems; 2.8 Reproduce work to be done in a more accessible format; 2.9 Provide a laptop; 2.10 Discuss provision of a workstation; 2.11 Build a quiet area in class; 2.12 Work with the teacher on the use of language; 2.13 Ask that the learning goals of each session be made explicit, preferably in visual form; 2.14 Encourage peer support; 2.15 Value the work done by the class teacher and the TA; Chapter 3 Whole-school Solution; 3.1 Request explicit rules 3.2 Create a quiet space 3.3 Create break-time zones; 3.4 Draw together shared expertise and work on transitions; 3.5 Request a pupil 'incident log'; 3.6 Bells!; 3.7 Create occupational therapy sessions before ordering school; 3.8 Look at identification or directions around school; 3.9 Request social skills groups; 3.10 Have a whole-staff philosophy (including non-teaching staff); 3.11 Look at representation of pupils with AS; 3.12 Ask the school to provide a forum to put parents in touch with one another; 3.13 Educate or inform peers and peers' parents; 3.14 Consider siblings 3.15 Review sex education policy 3.16 Consider teacher personality; 3.17 Facilitate school-wide communication; Chapter 4 Quick Reference: What to Do when Things go Wrong; 4.1 Provide 'space'; 4.2 Do not punish the behaviour; 4.3 Treat the cause, not the effect, and provide an alternative response; 4.4 Don't reinforce the wrong behaviour; 4.5 Be your child's 'AS interpreter'; 4.6 Locate the trigger; 4.7 Check level of understanding; 4.8 Check that you are clear about what you want; 4.9 Consider giving up...; INDEX

Sommario/riassunto

Every child's education relies on a partnership between parents, professionals and, of course, the child. This book gives parents of children with Asperger syndrome (AS) practical advice on how to make the most of this important partnership and work with schools to ensure their child's needs are being met.
