

# ABC Data Collection for Analyzing Behaviors

Problem behaviors from a child are a problem for adults, but to the child they are a solution to a problem. It is our job to help our child find acceptable solutions. The first way to do that is by analyzing their behaviors to have a clear picture of what happens prior to and after an undesired behavior.

## **A = Antecedents: What happened prior to behavior?**

- DA: Denied Access – Child was denied access of something he/she wanted.
- D: Demand – Child was asked to do something.
- AD: Attention Diverted – Caregiver was not giving child attention.
- EIT: Engaged in Task – Child was playing or engaged in an activity either with caregiver or independently.
- NET: Not Engaged in Task – Child was not engaged in anything specific.
- T: Transition – The child was being required to move from one activity or place to another.
- O: Other – Antecedent was something other than those listed above. Describe in A column.

## **B = Targeted Behavior: The behavior the data is being collected on.**

- Aggressions: Pushing, pulling, hitting with the open hand or closed fist, scratching or pinching, kicking, biting or pulling hair of caregiver or peers.
- Property Destruction: Throwing, kicking, knocking objects over, forcefully smacking objects.
- Non-Compliance: Refusal to respond to commands, follow instructions or transitions by dropping to the floor, vocal protesting or crying.
- Tantrums: Any combination of the above targeted behaviors lasting longer than 10 seconds.

## **C = Consequences: What happened after the behavior?**

- AG: Access Granted – Child got what he/she wanted.
- DK: Denial Kept – Child wasn't given what he/she wanted.
- DKO: Demand Kept Original – Child was made to do what was asked of them.
- DC: Demand Changed – What was asked originally of the child was altered or stopped.
- AP: Attention Provided – Child received any type of attention from caregiver.
- I: Ignored – Behavior was ignored by the caregiver.
- O: Other – Consequence was something other than those listed above. Describe in C Column.

# ABC Data Collection for Aggressions

Aggressions: pushing, pulling, hitting with open hand or closed fist, scratching, biting or pulling hair of caregivers or other children.

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# ABC Data Collection for Property Destruction

Property Destruction: throwing, kicking, knocking objects over, forcefully smacking objects

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# ABC Data Collection for Non-Compliance

Non-Compliance: refusal to respond to commands, follow instructions, or transitions by dropping to the floor, vocal protesting or crying.

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# ABC Data Collection for Tantrums

Tantrums: any combination of the behaviors of aggression, property destruction or non-compliance lasting a total of 10 seconds or longer.

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