



Group Descriptions

All Talk

Uses a "constraint induced" format to encourage sentence level speech (no writing or gesturing!) For members who speak in single words to sentence level.

Book Club I

Read a book or listen to the audio book. Discuss the content of the reading or specific assignments. Average number of pages read per week is 50+.

Book Club II

Read a book or listen to the audio book. Discuss the content of the reading or specific assignments. Average number of pages read per week is 30-50.

Book Club III - Reading for Life

Designed to develop basic reading abilities. Reading material and activities allow members with limited reading skills to participate and enjoy reading again.

Brain Games

Keep your brain active through use of games. Focuses on basic memory, attention, organization skills and strategies.

Cognitive Strategies

Focuses on learning and using specific strategies to improve high level thinking skills to increase overall independence.

Community Outing

For anyone who wants to improve their communication skills in the community. Must be independent with mobility.

Computer Group

Learn the basics of email and internet searching. Learn to use templates to help write emails. Learn to use software to facilitate writing skills.

Joy of Cooking

Focuses on reading and following recipes and numerical concepts. Learn to use adaptive equipment for one-handed cooking. A variety of communication levels can participate in this group.

Meeting of the Minds

Focuses on auditory comprehension, basic functional communication and social interaction. This group is primarily for members with fluent aphasia.

Mind Over Matter™

For members with apraxia of speech to practice using the VAST™ program using an innovative application of video technology and the Mind Over Matter™ apraxia program.

Prepositions

Focuses on comprehension and expression of prepositions in a variety of conversational contexts.

Presentation Group

For practicing brief presentations. For members interested in returning to work, participating in meetings, giving community speeches or just polishing their ability to speak in public.

Reading Strategies

For anyone who wants to work on reading comprehension, retention and reading efficiency.

Selected Topics I

Group focuses on speech clarity, language use, word retrieval, social interaction, and listening skills at a conversational level.

Selected Topics II

Group focuses on speech clarity, language use, word retrieval, social interaction, and listening skills at a functional level.

Selected Topics III

Group focuses on supported conversation of topics of interest using multi-modal communication (writing, gestures, etc.) strategies.

Start Your Motor

This group emphasizes communication through use of motor speech practice, automatic speech tasks and scripting for core functional words / phrases.

Sharks

Practice communication, comprehension and number skills by debating episodes of Shark Tank or playing cards.

Total Communication I

For members with persistent apraxia and/or aphasia. Group focuses on basic vocabulary and use of verbal and nonverbal strategies.

Total Communication II

For emerging communicators with significant apraxia and/or aphasia. Group focuses on use of alternative communication systems, multi-modal communication strategies and the Mind Over Matter™ apraxia program.

TV Talk

Practice communication skills while discussing a currently popular TV series. Current group choice is the Walking Dead. All communication abilities welcome!

Verbs

Focuses on regular and irregular verbs, accurate verb tense usage and vocabulary expansion. Must be able to produce verbal speech at the word to phrase level.

What's the Word

Focuses on use of specific word retrieval strategies and complex language at a conversational level. For members with mild word retrieval deficits.

Wh- Questions

This group is for members who want focused practice on understanding and using wh-words (who, what, when, where, why).

Writing Toolbox I

For practicing personal and professional writing skills. For members who are able to write sentences to paragraph length.

Writing Toolbox II

Aimed at practicing personal writing skills. For members who are able to write words and sentences.

Writing Toolbox III

Designed to practice personal writing skills. For members who write at the word or short sentence level.

Participation requires registration.

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