

Assignment | Unit 4

For this Assignment you are going to view a video of an example of a self-contained classroom that is structured for children with Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD). Please note: the video has no sound.

You will then analyze the arrangement of the classroom environment and evaluate why this type of environment could effectively meet the individual needs of children with autism. Based on your observations, you will write a 2-3 page essay discussing what modifications and visual supports have been utilized in the classroom environment so that children with ASD can actively participate in daily activities. When writing your essay please be sure to:

- A. Discuss the arrangements that have been made to the physical environment to assist children with ASD actively participate within the environment. What visual supports have been put in place to effectively prepare and guide children with ASD? How have sensory needs been addressed? How can these types of environmental modifications help children with ASD interact with their environment?

- B. Based on what you have learned regarding the definitions and characteristics of autism, do you think the arrangement of the classroom in the video was appropriate? Why or why not? What changes or additional modifications would you make to this classroom that specifically serves children with autism? What additional visual and/or environmental supports may you have used or included to in this type of classroom setting?

As with all writing, you must include citations if you use information from any source to avoid plagiarism. It is always necessary to give the author credit. **In addition, please make sure to include a reference page, with a professionally recognized method of formatting and documentation for all sources.** If you need assistance, please use the Plagiarism Guide found in Academic Tools or visit the University Writing Center.

The viewpoint and purpose of this assignment should be clearly established and sustained and should follow the conventions of Standard English (correct grammar, punctuation, etc.). Your writing should be well ordered, logical and unified, as well as original and insightful. Your work should display superior content, organization, style, and mechanics.

Your paper should include:

- Title Page
- Main body of the paper (2-3 pages)
- Reference page
- Correct APA formatting for in-paper cites

You should follow these formatting guidelines in your paper:

- Use standard margins: 1" on all sides
- Use standard 12-point font size, Arial or Times New Roman
- Use standard double-spacing
- Be sure your text is left justified

Submitting Your Assignment

Put your assignment in a Word document. Save it in a location and with a name that you will remember. When you are ready, submit to the **Unit 4 Assignment Dropbox**.