

Questions to Evaluate Student Performance

Evaluating the student's performance of the identified tasks with the new AT solution is fundamental to the trial. This on-going evaluation during the trial is what helps to determine if the chosen solution is able to meet the needs identified for the student. When evaluating and summarizing the results of the trial, questions you may need to answer regarding the Assistive Technology solution include:

- Was the framed (focus) question answered?
- Did the child's performance change?
- Did the student see the benefit of using Assistive Technology?
- Did the teachers see the benefit?
- Did the parents see the benefit for the student?
- Did the student like using the Assistive Technology?
- Is the student willing to continue learning to use the AT device?
- What are the advantages of using the Assistive Technology?
- What are the disadvantages of using the Assistive Technology?
- How long can the child be expected to use the AT device?
- Did any instructional strategies need to be modified or changed in order to insure the successful inclusion of the Assistive Technology?
- Were any changes to the environment necessary to accommodate the successful inclusion of the Assistive Technology?

After the team has determined the answers to the questions above, they address the outcome of the trial and answer the final question:

Is the solution effective in meeting the identified needs?