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Communicating with a Person with Autism

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Speak slowly and clearly.



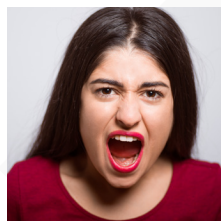
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Look for signs or anxiety or stress.



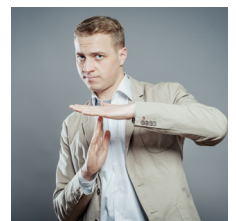
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Use a soft tone of voice.
(Don't raise your voice or shout)



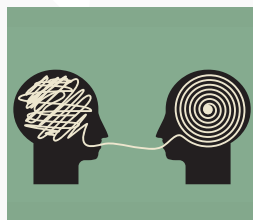
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Take a break if required.



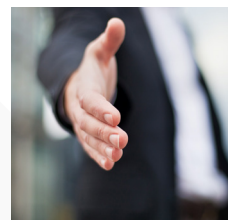
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Do not use slang, idioms or abstract concepts.



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Don't force a handshake or embrace.
(Ask if it's ok)



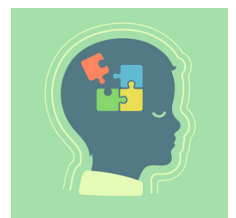
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Be patient, wait for a response.



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Accept their communication style.



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Check understanding if required.



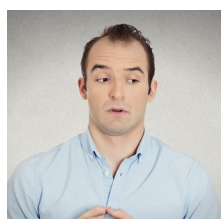
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Ignore any off topic comments
(they are not meant personally)



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Don't force eye contact.



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Be understanding
(the person with autism is often out of their comfort zone)

