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**LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

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- Understand what is meant by curriculum modification.
- Learn strategies and examples of curriculum modification.
- Explore application of curriculum modification based on individual children's needs.

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**CURRICULUM MODIFICATION**


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WHAT



WHY

WHEN





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**WHAT  
IS CURRICULUM MODIFICATION?**

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“ A change to the ongoing classroom activity or materials in order to facilitate or maximize a child's participation in planned activities, interactions, and routines. ”

—Sandall, S., & Schwartz, I. (2008). Building blocks for teaching preschoolers with special needs. Baltimore: Paul H. Brookes Publishing.

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**WHAT  
IS CURRICULUM MODIFICATION?**

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SMALL CHANGE,  
**BIG IMPACT**

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**WHEN  
DO I MODIFY THE CURRICULUM?**

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When a child is not fully participating in a meaningful way.



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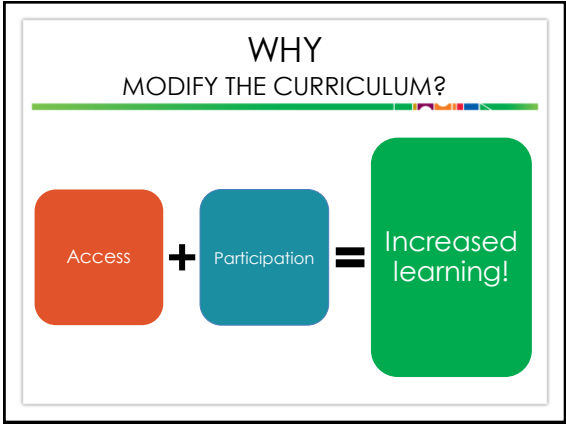
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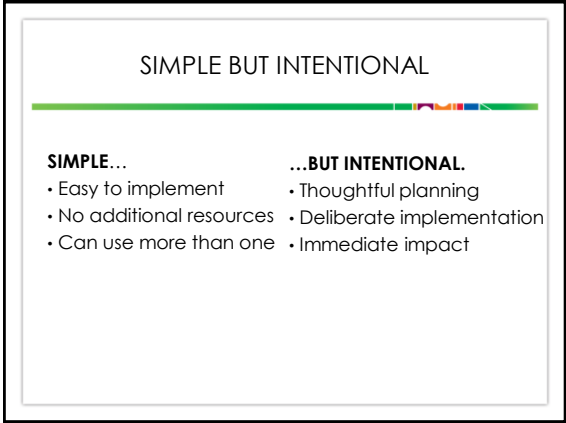
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8 TYPES OF CURRICULUM MODIFICATIONS

Environmental Support	Peer Support
Child Preferences	Adult Support
Materials Adaptation	Invisible Support
Special Equipment	Simplify the Activity

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8 TYPES OF CURRICULUM MODIFICATIONS

Environmental Support

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**ENVIRONMENTAL SUPPORT**

“ Altering the physical, social, and temporal environment to promote participation, engagement, and learning. ”

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### LET THE ENVIRONMENT DO THE "TALKING"

**Benefits:**

- Increases children's independence
- Doesn't single out a particular child
- Empowers children
- Allows teachers to be more efficient

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### PHYSICAL ADJUSTMENTS

Change the space.	Manage materials and supplies.
Define boundaries.	Add visual cues.

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### PHYSICAL ADJUSTMENTS CHANGING THE SPACE




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PHYSICAL ADJUSTMENTS  
CHANGING THE SPACE



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PHYSICAL ADJUSTMENTS  
CHANGING THE SPACE



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PHYSICAL ADJUSTMENTS  
MANAGING MATERIALS



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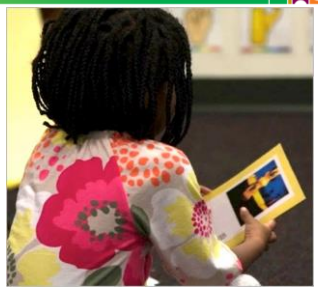
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PHYSICAL ADJUSTMENTS  
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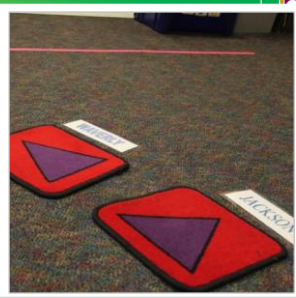
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PHYSICAL ADJUSTMENTS  
DEFINING BOUNDARIES



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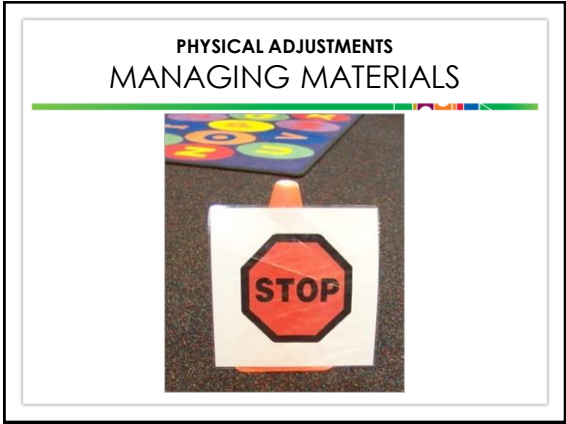
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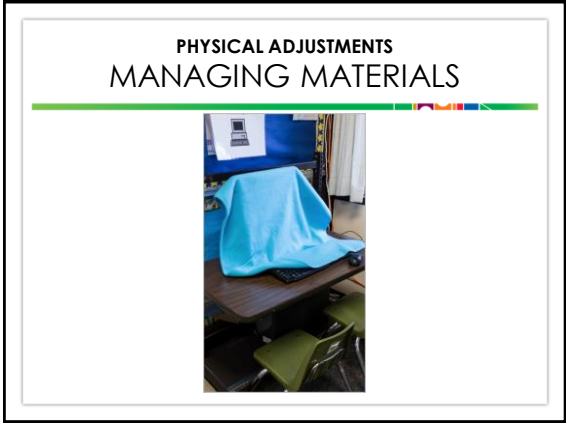
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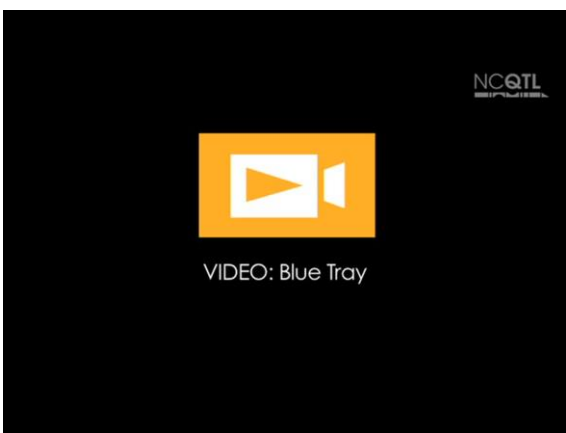
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PHYSICAL ADJUSTMENTS  
ADDING VISUALS

Visuals can be used to:

- Establish rules and routines.
- Support play.
- Help children understand and regulate their emotions.
- Enhance communication.




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PHYSICAL ADJUSTMENTS  
VISUALS: FOR RULES AND ROUTINES




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VISUALS: FOR RULES AND ROUTINES




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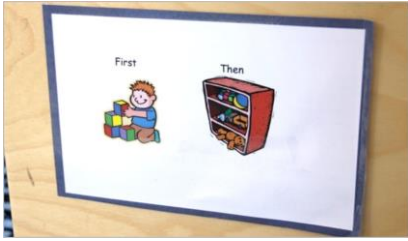
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PHYSICAL ADJUSTMENTS  
VISUALS: FOR RULES AND ROUTINES



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PHYSICAL ADJUSTMENTS  
VISUALS: TO SUPPORT PLAY



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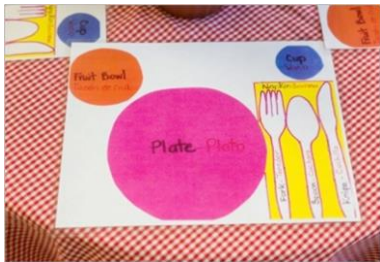
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PHYSICAL ADJUSTMENTS  
VISUALS: TO SUPPORT PLAY



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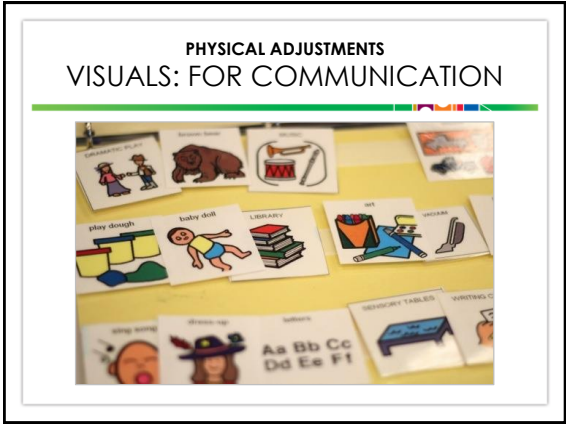
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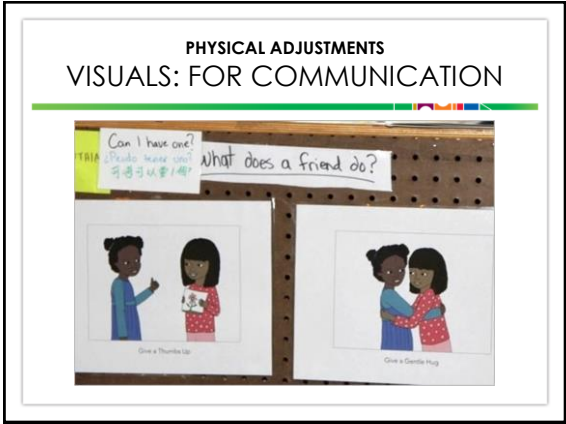
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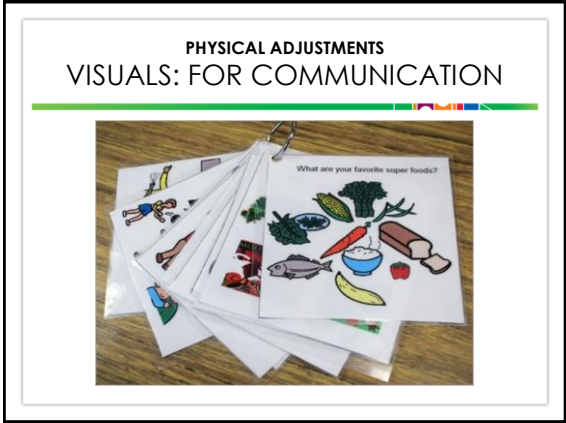
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**PHYSICAL ADJUSTMENTS**  
VISUALS: FOR DUAL LANGUAGE LEARNERS

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**PHYSICAL ADJUSTMENTS**  
VISUALS: FOR DUAL LANGUAGE LEARNERS

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**MODIFICATION MATCH:  
LEARNING ACTIVITY**

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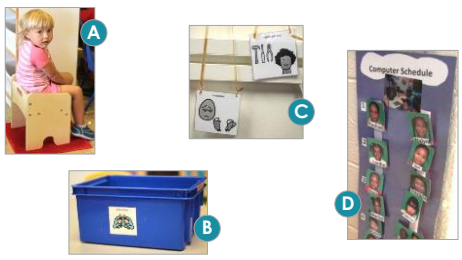
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MODIFICATION MATCH: PART 1




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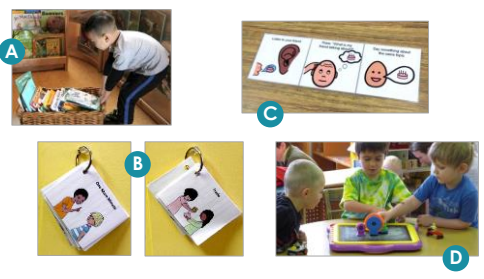
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MODIFICATION MATCH: PART 2




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REVIEW

You learned:

- What curriculum modification means
- 8 general types of curriculum modification
- Focus on environmental support modifications, including:
  - Physical adjustments
  - Visual supports

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