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Second Edition

Easy-to-Copy-Pages

Over 150 ready-to-use lessons with reproducible worksheets to help children develop the basic skills necessary to experience independence and success in everyday life

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The Best-selling Book on Life Skills, Completely Revised and Updated!

This revised and updated second edition offers teachers and parents a unique collection of more than 150 ready-to-use activities that will help exceptional elementary-aged students acquire the basic skills needed to achieve independence and success in everyday life.

Each of the book's activities focuses on specific skills within the context of real-life situations. Life Skills Activities for Special Children is organized into four main sections and offers a handy resource of carefully paced, fun-to-do activities including:

Basic Survival Skills: The activities in this section help special children learn the skills they need to communicate basic information to others, use a cell phone, estimate prices of items on sale, set personal goals, tell time, expand reading skills, and much more.

Personal Independence: These challenging activities include new lessons on personal grooming, eating healthy snacks, getting enough sleep, what to do when you are sick, and organizing a room.

Community and Independence: This section includes a wealth of activities such as how to get around the community safely, places to visit, what to do if you get lost, safe Internet sites, and how to behave properly in public.

Getting Along With Others: These activities help students develop the social skills they need to interact with the people around them, speaking up, working with others, knowing when to let something go, building friendships, and how to start a conversation.

The book also contains easily modified parent letters that present an overview of each lesson, a Skill Sheet that can be used to rate a student's progress, and lessons that direct the teacher step-by-step in teaching each skill.

About the Author

Darlene Mannix, M.A., has 26 years of experience as a classroom teacher and has taught both general education and special education. She is the best-selling author of numerous books for special educators including *Social Skills Activities for Special Children*, *Life Skills Activities for Secondary Students with Special Needs*, and *Writing Skills Activities for Special Children*.

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