

Visual Supports

Resource Pack for Parents and Carers

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Overview

The Positive Behaviour Support Service has put together this collection of visual support components that may be useful to support families/carers of people with learning disabilities.

The people we support in the community, at home and within residential settings may experience disruption and changes to their usual routines, meaningful activities and social interactions. It is therefore important we start being creative in the way we support the individuals we work with to promote physical and mental wellbeing. The pack covers multiple visual support components, including visual aids and schedule templates to help structure time and activities throughout the day.

We hope you find this resource pack helpful. Any feedback would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

The Positive Behaviour Support Team

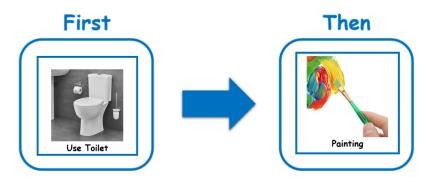
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How to Use Guide

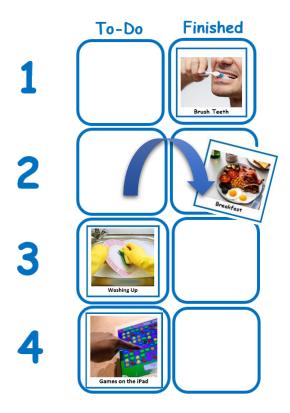
1. First and Then / Now, Next and Then

Allows people who may have language delays to understand routines, expectations, and reward systems in more accessible ways. Can be used to support any challenging transition or for new routines. These visual supports are helpful for new concepts, new language and for explaining how to get from one activity to another, i.e. "First toilet, and then painting!"



2. To-Do Daily Schedule

Allows for increased structure for those who may have difficulty with unstructured activities and routines. The To-Do Daily Schedule can be used to keep track of tasks and activities and moving the completed task to the finished column (you may also want to break down a task into smaller steps). This visual support can be helpful to keep focus at the task at hand.

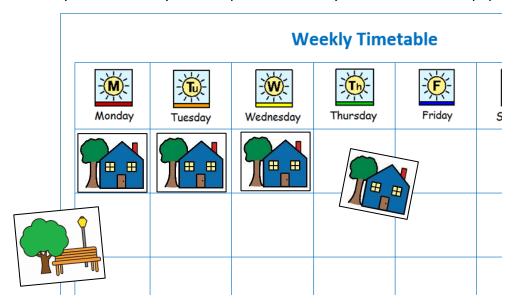


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3. Weekly Timetable

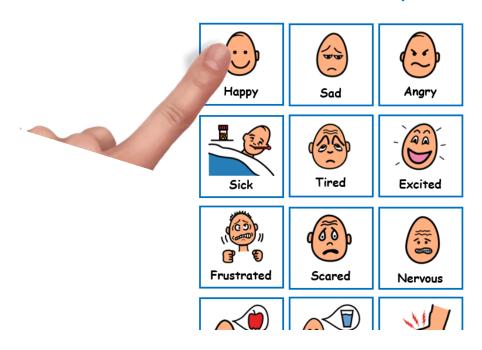
Good way of introducing change, helping during periods of transition and help people to become more open to the idea of change. Situations where visual supports could be useful include: Moving between different work activities, moving from one location to another or going on holiday. *Note: You may want to print the 'Weekly Timetable' onto A3 paper.*



4. How Do You Feel Today?

Allows people to express and explore feelings and emotions. They may point to a feeling or verbally express their own feelings. This opens for further opportunities for meaningful social interaction and appropriate support and actions.

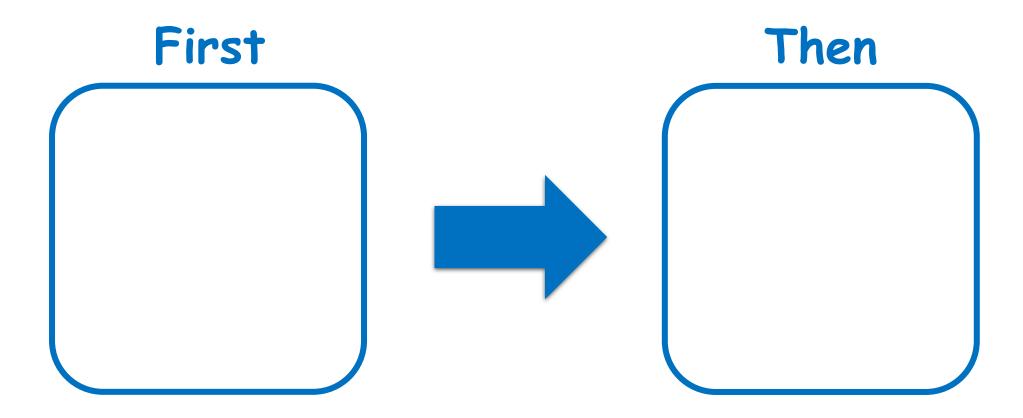
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First and Then Board

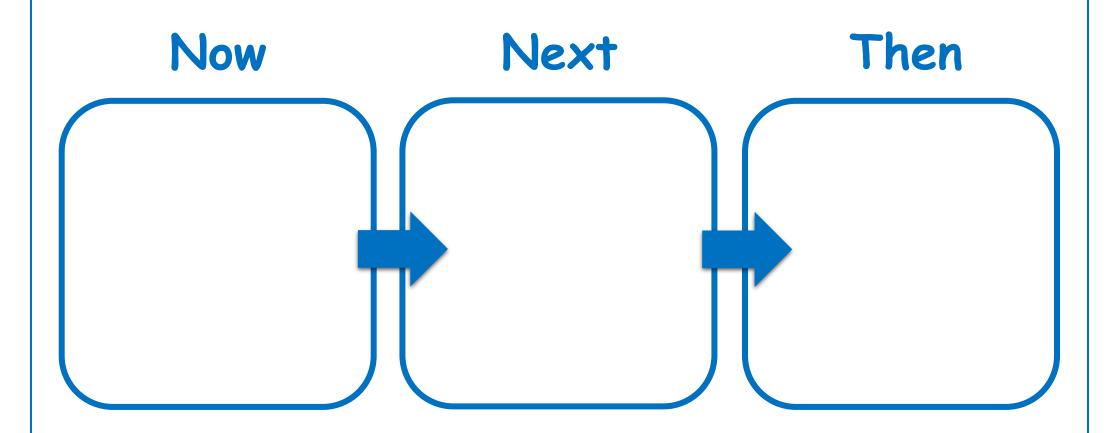


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Now, Next and Then Board

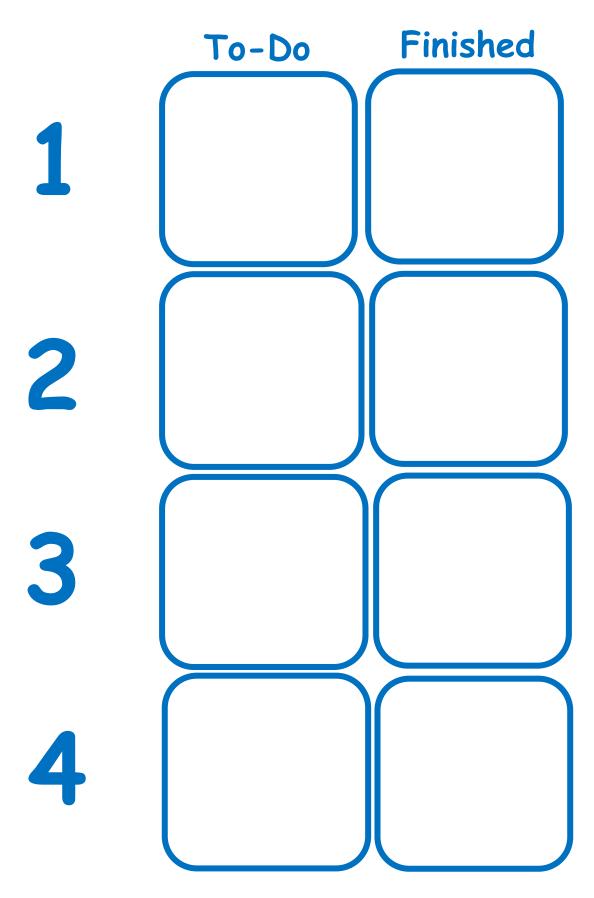


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To-Do Daily Schedule



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Weekly Timetable



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday

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Visual Aids (At Home)

Here are some ready to use home-based visual aids that can be cut out and laminated:





















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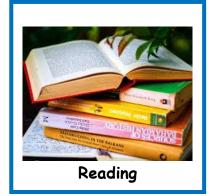
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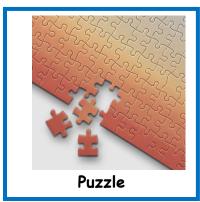
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How Do You Feel Today?



Happy



Sad



Angry

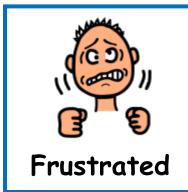




Tired



Excited

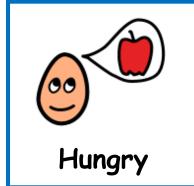




Scared



Nervous









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Useful Links:

- Visual Supports (Strategies & Approaches)
- Visual Resources on Twinkl
- Visual Schedules on do2Learn

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