Within Trial Transfer Procedure for the Mand



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4. Time delay procedure (up to 5 seconds)-Show reinforcer but do not deliver



 Student engages in mand response independently. (If error occurs, use error correction procedures)



6. Reinforcement is delivered and adult models the response form

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| Skills Description: | Goals: | |
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| The student will request (mand) desired item | The student will emit different mands with a | |
| (stimuli) | vocal prompt. | |
| | The student begins to spontaneously mand. | |
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Prerequisite skills:

• Student can engage in echoic response for two or more items.

Considerations:

- ALWAYS start by verifying motivation is in place. You may need to capture or contrive motivation.
- Student readily approaches adults and accepts stimuli
- Interactions with others have value to the learner
- Demonstrates consistent motivation for stimuli (target mands)
- Engages in the echoic response for stimuli- word is not too hard to produce
- ALWAYS model the response form when delivering reinforcement
- Teach more than one mand from the start
- Best items for mand training
 - o Can be delivered quickly
 - o Are consumable or allow only a brief period of contact
 - Can be teacher controlled
 - Are highly motivating
 - Word used to mand for the item is not too hard to produce
- It helps to have establish a broad list of items that can be used for teaching

Suggested Teaching Steps:

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Teaching Sample:

| Trial Type | Teacher's Response | Learner's Response |
|----------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Check for motivation | Holds up or puts cracker in | Looks at cracker |
| | learner's line of sight ** | |
| Prompt the mand | "Cracker" | "Cracker" |
| Time Delay procedure | Shows cracker but does not | "Cracker" (If error occurs, use |
| (up to 5 seconds) | give it to learner | error correction procedures) |
| Reinforcement | Gives the cracker to the learner | |
| | and says "Cracker" | |

^{**}If learner does not show motivation for the item, try a different item.