

Appendix IX-B

Value Tools

My Brother Daryl

My older brother Daryl is 18 years old and has been diagnosed with severe intellectual disability.

Daryl has been in school 12 years. He's never been served in any setting other than elementary school. He has had a number of years of "individual instruction." He has learned to do a lot of things.

Daryl can now do a lot of things he couldn't do before.

He can put 100 pegs in a board in less than 10 minutes while in his seat with 95% accuracy. But he can't put quarters in vending machines. He can "touch" his nose, shoulder, leg, foot, hair and ear on command. He's still working on wrist, ankle, hip. But he can't blow his nose when needed.

He can do a 12-piece big bird puzzle with 100% accuracy and color an Easter bunny and stay in the lines. He prefers music, but was never taught how to use a radio or record player. He can now fold primary paper in halves and even quarters. But he can't fold his clothes.

He can sort blocks by color, up to 10 different colors. But he can't sort clothes, whites from colors, for washing.

He can roll Play-Doh and make wonderful play snakes. But he can't roll bread dough and cut out biscuits.

He can string beads in alternating colors and match it to a color on a DLM card. But he can't lace his shoes.

He can sing his ABCs and tell me names of all the letters of the alphabet when presented on a card in upper case with 80% accuracy. But he can't tell the men's room from the ladies' room when we go out to eat.

He can be told it's cloudy/rainy and take a black felt cloud and put it on the calendar (with assistance). But he still goes out in the rain without a raincoat or hat.

He can identify with 100% accuracy 100 different Peabody Picture Cards by pointing. But he can't order a hamburger by pointing to pictures or gesturing.

He can walk a balance beam frontward, sideways and backward. But he can't walk up the steps or bleachers unassisted in the gym to go to a basketball game.

He can count to 100 by rote memory. But he doesn't know how many dollars to pay the clerk for a \$2.95 fast-food coupon special.

He can put the cube in the box, under the box, beside the box and behind the box. But he can't find the trash bin in the fast-food dining area and empty his trash into it.

He can sit in a circle with appropriate behavior and sing songs and play "Duck, Duck, Goose."
But nobody else in the neighborhood his age seems to want to do that.

I guess he's just not ready yet.