

# PRIMARY - PREVOCATIONAL

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### MY TOOL BOX

**PRE VOCATIONAL** 

SKILL





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### What is prevocational skill?

Whatever be the education of a person, the ultimate goal is to prepare him for a vocation. The preparation for the vocation is known as prevocational skill.

### When do we start it?

We prepare the child for a vocation right from the beginning of his schooling. There are a lot of simpler skills that are needed to prepare him for a vocation, for eg - forming work habits, dressing up for the job, assembly of parts, locating correct name of the workshop, punching card etc.

The play behaviour of a child with intellectual disabilities can be developed into a pre-vocational skill at the primary level itself. A few examples of these are - holding with thumb and index finger, ability to match to sample, assembling a 3 piece puzzle, hammering a wooden plug into a socket with a plastic hammer etc.

### How do we go about it?

Before you start any skill think of the other skills that a child needs to perform that particular skill.

For instance, if you want the child to sort out toys and tools, bring that activity into a related skill which the child is learning. For example his learning to cut pictures. Give a few pictures of toys and tools, let him cut the pictures from a page and let him sort and paste them in the respective places.

### What are the skills he needs to do this?

- 1. He has to have good eye-hand co-ordination.
- 2. He has to cut on lines.
- 3. He has to have the ability to paste.

### Materials needed

- 1. A pair of scissors
- 2. Glue
- 3. A few pictures of toys and tools.

### How to teach?

Sit with the child. Keep the materials ready. Explain to the child what these pictures are. Let him cut the pictures. Show him the place where you want him to paste the pictures.

Give verbal instruction while sorting. If the child does not understand, show him (model) so that he imitates you and finishes the job. If he cannot imitate hold his hand and make him place it in the correct box praise him profusely if he does correctly. You can draw a smiling face or give him a star.



### Steps to follow

Pick up Scissors
Cut all pictures
Sort them into two groups
Apply glue on the backside of the picture.
Place them on correct box.