



Struggles

Keeping track of materials

- From school to home
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- Class to class (different teachers, with different expectations and procedures)
- Knowing where assignments are and where to turn them in (different teachers, with different expectations and procedures) and
- Ability to locate what is needed, knowing what is needed (Smith-Myles, 2016)
- Inability to design an effective system independently

Maintaining order

- Thinking – sequencing ideas and thoughts when talking
- Space – Fitting everything into a set space (backpack, room, desk, locker, gym locker)
- Time – knowing how much need to be or can be completed in a given time frame (period, block, hour, day, evening)
- Inability to maintain a system independently once designed

Lack of Role and Order with Working Memory

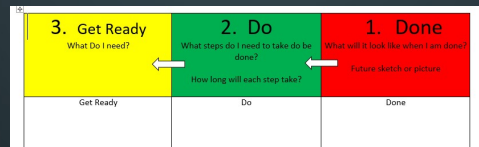
Begin with the end in mind!

This creates **Episodic Future Memory**: The ability to “see yourself” and what it looks like in the future! (360 Thinking Cognitive Connections, Sarah Ward)

Effective Plans

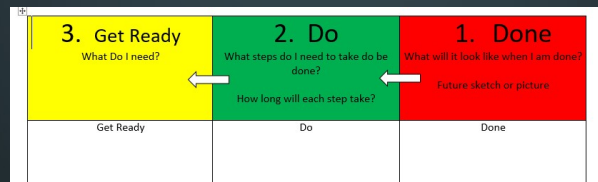
- Effective planning should begin with an IMAGE (sketch) of what “Done or Finished” looks like
- Then . . . discuss the steps to complete the task
- Finally . . . Create a list of the items and materials needed to complete the task

(360 Thinking Cognitive Connections, Sarah Ward)

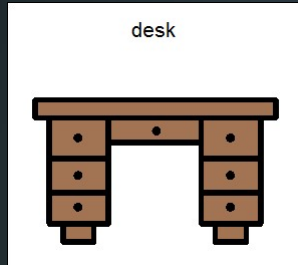


Get Ready, Do, Done (Get Done)

Done: Start with done – use a picture or even a sketch of the expectation



Organize Your Desk



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3. Get Ready What Do I need?	2. Do What steps do I need to take to be done? How long will each step take?	1. Done What will it look like when I am done? Future sketch or picture
<p>Get Ready</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trash Can</p>	<p>Do</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Remove everything from desk <input type="checkbox"/> Put supplies in basket <input type="checkbox"/> Lay white board and basket on the right <input type="checkbox"/> Store notebooks, folders and all other books on the left <input type="checkbox"/> Give extra papers go to Mrs. S <input type="checkbox"/> Throw out trash 	<p>Done</p>

Use ACTION words to describe the "do" for the student

Create a Visual to Support the Student

Organized Desk



Books
Notebooks
Folders



Supplies
White Board
Eraser

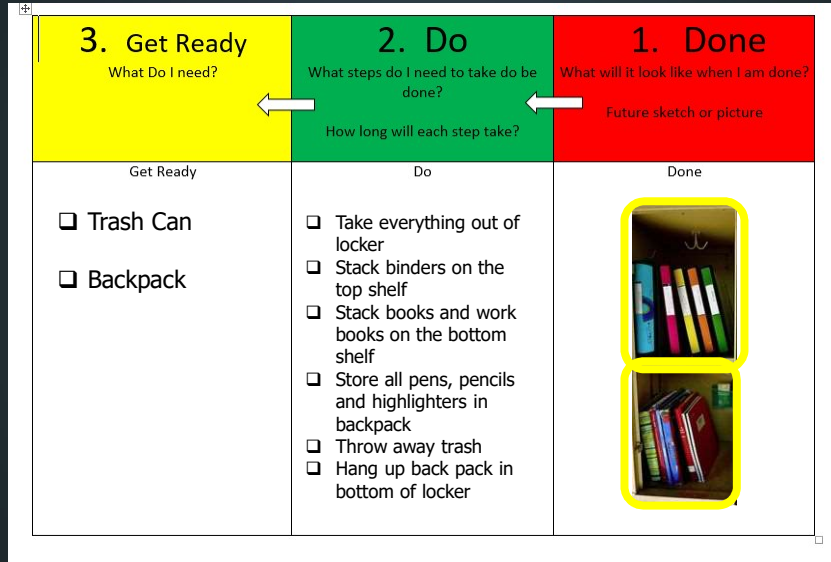


Block and Box Method Helps students transition from the whole to the parts or the details.



(360 Thinking Cognitive Connections, Sarah Ward)

Planning with the future in mind- Block and Box Method




Prevocational Context

Organize and Stock the paint room


Before



Organize and Stock the Paint Room

3. Get Ready What Do I need?	2. Do What steps do I need to take to be done? How long will each step take?	1. Done What will it look like when I am done? Future sketch or picture
Get Ready	Do	Done
		

Get Ready for School

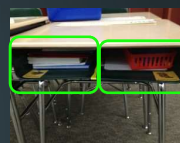
3. Get Ready What Do I need?	2. Do What steps do I need to take to be done? How long will each step take?	1. Done What will it look like when I am done? Future sketch or picture
Get Ready	Do	Done
<input type="checkbox"/> Underwear <input type="checkbox"/> Shirt <input type="checkbox"/> Shorts <input type="checkbox"/> Socks <input type="checkbox"/> Shoes <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Pack & Lunch <input type="checkbox"/> Backpack	<input type="checkbox"/> Make Bed <input type="checkbox"/> Put on clothes <input type="checkbox"/> Eat Breakfast <input type="checkbox"/> Brush Teeth <input type="checkbox"/> Put Lunch with ice pack in backpack <input type="checkbox"/> Put on Back Pack	

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Clean the Bathroom

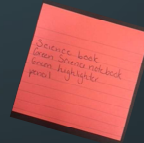
Intervention Options

- Assignment sheets and notebooks: *not just the school issued* – allow the student to view multiple options or create their own and choose *what they prefer*.
- Take a picture of the final product so the student knows what “organized” looks like. MATCH the picture!
- Get Ready, Do, Done system
- Block and Box method when planning an activity or system
- Work with the student to develop an organization system for materials, lockers, desk, backpack with visuals to support: (antecedent based intervention)
 - Color coded folders, bookcovers, and notebooks
- Have a backpack for each block of the day with the needed materials (Smith-Myles, 2016)



Intervention Options

- Have a stash of extra materials in each room with a designated location (simple paper, pencils, calculator, highlighter) work with the teacher and student to designate the location
- Visual checklists **with pictures** of final product for organization, help develop lists for home as well
- Encourage students to take notes in **HOME** and **SCHOOL** colors to assist with differentiation between teacher and personal notes, and to organize note when studying for quizzes or tests
- Develop a system for color coded (with highlighters or post its) for notetaking or organization within a planner (assign each class a color)
- Prime student for materials needed and have student develop the list (antecedent based intervention)



Intervention Options

- Have an **MODEL DESK** for all student to use as a reference – so when they are to have specific materials out on their desk, the teach has one sample desk at the front of the room with the needed materials.
- **PAIR ORGANIZATION WITH REINFORCEMENT!** Lack of organization can be tied to a lack of motivation.



Resources

- [Assignment sheet with due date, turn in date, parent/teacher signature](#)
- [Free printable homework charts](#)
- [Secondary homework chart for individual class](#)
- [Secondary charts: assignments, quarter planners, semester, & weekly](#)
- [How to do post-it notes on your windows desktop for lists](#)
- [Google keep – create to do lists and posts its that link between your google account and device\(iPhone, android tablet, iPad\)](#)
- [PBIS World: Organization](#)
- [PBIS World – Data tracking resources](#)
- [Forced Choice Reinforcement Survey](#)



There's an APP for That!



POW – makes visual to “match the picture”



Skitch - makes visual to “match the picture”



Istudiez - The weekly and monthly overviews on the interactive calendar can help keep track of due dates and group study sessions, and the app's Cloud Sync integration assures that all compatible devices can access the same scheduling information.



iHomework (\$1.99) - Assignments can have title, due date, reminder, a grade, notes, and you can even add a partner. Once entered, assignments can be viewed by day, week, or course.



iRewardChart Lite (iPad free) – this chart allows parents to choose the “other” category within the app to reward students for achieving set organizational goals



Complete Class Organizers (\$4.99) – This app allows students to organize classes but also allows students the ability to take notes, record lectures, and track grades.



My Video Schedule – Great app for video models that has administrator and student access

