

A REVIEW ON ART WITH THE AUTISTIC CHILD

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ABSTRACT

This article looks at some of the elements that lead to art's effectiveness as a therapeutic tool for children with autism, as well as some of the reasons why art therapy isn't more widely used in our schools. The essay goes on to describe the abilities that experienced instructors of autistic children may offer to the therapeutic environment. The paper ends with several recommendations for further study in this area. Children with autism live in a world that is not the same as ours. This may seem to be a strong, perhaps prejudiced remark, yet it will resonate with parents and professionals who deal with autistic children. Many individuals with autism find it difficult to explain their extremely distinct way of seeing the world and being themselves.

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