# Sensory Supports and Diets

• What is sensory integration?

• How can we integrate sensory integration into home life through sensory supports and diets?



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### What is sensory integration?

Your body takes in information from the outside world

Your body figures out what the information means

Your body responds to the information





#### Hyper-Responsive Children

- Overreact to everything
- Spin under the table
- Always busy
- On the go!

#### Hypo-Responsive Children

- Underreact to everything
- Easily overwhelmed
- Low affect







See a toy, explore the toy,

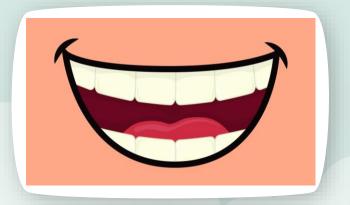


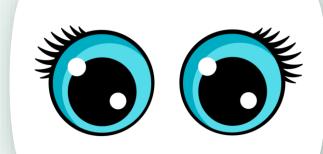
And play with the toy





Food exploration







## The 7 Senses

- Oral motor
- Visual
- Auditory
- Smell









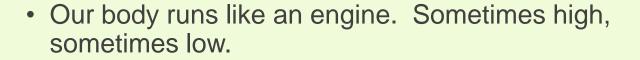




- Tactile
- Taste



### Self Regulation and Self Modulation



 We work through sensory integration to get it "just right."





## **MORNING ROUTINE**

















### AFTER SCHOOL ROUTINE



#### HOME SENSORY DIET



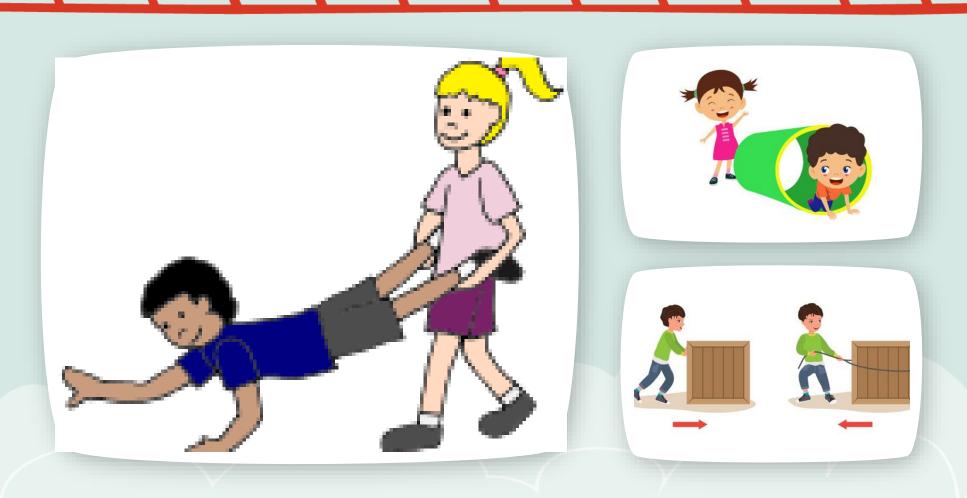




## ORAL MOTOR ACTIVITIES







PROPRIOCEPTIONthe feeling of knowing where your body is in space

## **TOUCH**



- Play-doh
- Fidgets
- Koosh balls
- Water play toys
- Sand
- Sensory bins





# SENSORY BINS

- ❖ Rice/Pasta
- ❖ Sand
- Shredded paper/Styrofoam pieces
- Whip cream
- Pudding
- Finger paint
- ❖ Play-doh
- ❖ Bathtub paint





# **AUDITORY**







# VISUAL

- Ball play
- Target practice
- I Spy game



# HOME PROGRAM





