

## **Student Access Map (SAM) Instructions**

The Student Access Map, or SAM, was initially designed as a framework for determining appropriate Assistive Technology supports to aid students in addressing the curriculum standards. It can be used as a planning tool to identify the goals and supports needed for a student in different curriculum areas. It can be completed by any/all team members, although a multi-disciplinary approach is optimal. It can be used in any learning environment (e.g. regular ed classroom, substantially separate classroom, school-wide location, home), as part of a formal assessment procedure or as an informal guide.

### **Section 1: Standard/Goal/Activity**

Key questions:

- What is it that we want the student to be able to do?
- Why is the Team looking for supports?
- What is the Standard, IEP goal or activity where the student is having or will have difficulty?
- What are the specific skills that are required for this task?
- What other factors are part of the activity?
- What is the main purpose of this activity?
- What is the essential skill that is being targeted?

### **Section 2: Student**

Key Question:

- What are the student's skills as they relate to skills required for the targeted standard, goal or activity?

### **Section 3: Barrier**

Key Questions:

- Which required skill might prevent him/her from participating fully in the activity?
- What is preventing the student from successfully completing the activity?
- Given the skills required for the task, which are a challenge for this student?

### **Section 4: Supports**

Key Questions:

- What strategies and tools may help eliminate or minimize the barrier?

### **Section 5: Plan**




Key Questions:

- What is the Team's plan for implementation of the suggested supports?

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Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Location: \_\_\_\_\_ Person completing this form: \_\_\_\_\_

<p> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Standard/Objective</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> <b>IEP Goal / Benchmark</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Instructional Activity</b> </p> <p>List academic skills, personal skills, and environmental factors. • State primary goal of the activity</p>	<p><b>Student</b> </p> <p>List the student's strengths and challenges as they relate to the requirements of the activity. • Barrier • Which required skill/factor impedes the student's participation or success?</p>	<p><b>Barrier</b></p> <p>Which required skill/factor impedes the student's participation or success?</p>	<p><b>Supports: Tools &amp; Strategies</b> </p> <p>List all possible no tech, low tech, mid tech, or high tech supports to help student perform the task.</p>	<p><b>Plan</b> </p> <p>List/prioritize steps of your implementation plan • Identify time line and persons responsible • List criteria for success</p>

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## Student Access Map (SAM) - Reading/Decoding

Student: Terrell      Date: 12/03/02      Location: Classroom/Office      Person completing this form: IEP Team

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ Standard/Objective</li> <li>❑ IEP Goal / Benchmark</li> <li>❑ Instructional Activity</li> </ul> <p>• List academic skills, personal skills, and environmental factors • State primary goal of the activity</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Student</b> </p> <p>• List the student's strengths and challenges as they relate to the requirements of the activity.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Barrier</b></p> <p>• Which required skill/factor impedes the student's participation or success?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Supports: Tools &amp; Strategies</b> </p> <p>• List all possible no tech, low tech, mid tech, or high tech supports to help student perform the task.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Plan</b> </p> <p>• List/prioritize steps of your implementation plan • Identify time line and persons responsible • List criteria for success</p>
<p>• Standard: #2 (Reading) Read and respond to age/level appropriate reading materials• Instructional activity: participate in guided reading of Chapter 1 in book <i>Sadako &amp; the Thousand Paper Cranes</i> by Eleanor Coerr and small group discussion around a key question</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Academic skills:</b> Read, Decode text, Comprehend text and auditory info, Formulate and organize ideas</li> <li>• <b>Personal skills:</b> Listen, Speak, Attend, Visual tracking and acuity</li> <li>• <b>Environment:</b> Independent/small group work</li> <li>• <b>Goal:</b> - Independently read text, Participate in small group discussion around key question</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gr.4 student</li> <li>• Good cognitive skills</li> <li>• Difficulty decoding multi syllabic words</li> <li>• Gets frustrated easily</li> <li>• Difficulty keeping place in text says the words move around</li> <li>• Good auditory comprehension skills</li> <li>• Good verbal skills</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reading/decoding of the passage with enough fluency to comprehend and remember details•</li> <li>Visual tracking</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Low Tech:</b> Graphic organizer for vocabulary (Inspiration software)•</li> <li><b>Brainstorm story content using graphic organizer :</b> Finger grip ruler, Swizzle stick/pencil, Magnifying bar, Plastic word frame, Highlighter/tape, Laminated highlighter tape, Page flags, Colored transparencies, Enlarge text on copier, Read with a peer, Word walls/lists/rings</li> <li><b>Mid Tech:</b> Small flashlight, Record book onto tape, Speaking Homework Wiz</li> <li><b>High Tech:</b> Scan text &amp; use text reader, Phonics-based software, Electronic books, e.g., Start-to-Finish, for reading practice</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Low to high tech tools will be introduced in the order listed, by classroom teacher</li> <li>• Success will be determined by the quantity and quality of student's contributions to the group discussion</li> <li>• Classroom supported by resource room teacher</li> <li>• Schedule meeting in 1 month with student; teachers and AT assessor to determine which tools/supports may need to be provided on long term basis</li> </ul>

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## Student Access Map (SAM) - Math

Student: Terrell

Date: 12/03/02

Location: Classroom

Person completing this form: IEP Team

<p>❑ <b>Standard/Objective</b> ❑ <b>IEP Goal / Benchmark</b> ❑ <b>Instructional Activity</b> List academic skills, personal skills, and environmental factors. • State primary goal of the activity</p>	<p><b>Student</b> </p> <p>List the student's strengths and challenges as they relate to the requirements of the activity. Barrier • Which required skill/factor impedes the student's participation or success?</p>	<p><b>Barrier</b></p> <p>Which required skill/factor impedes the student's participation or success?</p>	<p><b>Supports: Tools &amp; Strategies</b> </p> <p>List all possible no tech, low tech, mid tech, or high tech supports to help student perform the task.</p>	<p><b>Plan</b> </p> <p>List/prioritize steps of your implementation plan • Identify time line and persons responsible • List criteria for success</p>
<p>Standard: Interpret the multiple uses of numbers by taking real-world situations and translating them into numerical statements</p> <p>• Instructional activity: Word problems based on real life examples of using money • 4th grade inclusive classroom with 18 students • Skills:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- - problem-solving</li> <li>- - information organization</li> <li>- - concepts of whole numbers</li> <li>- - whole number computation</li> <li>- - patterns &amp; relationships</li> <li>- - logical &amp; critical thinking</li> </ul>	<p>Grade 4 student Likes math • Slightly below grade level • Good verbal math skills • Good logical thinking • Good auditory comprehension skills • Doesn't know times tables from memory • Can use calculator • Difficulty with showing his work in an organized fashion • Getting thoughts down on paper sequentially</p>		<p><b>No Tech</b> • Peer/adult support • Problems are presented individually • Visualization • Additional time for task</p> <p><b>Low Tech</b> • Manipulative coins/bills, 100 chart &amp; counters • Cuisenaire Rods Money games • Graphic organizers Page Up or other paper holder to hold small models of supports, e.g., 100s chart, times tables, sentence strips, etc.</p> <p><b>Mid Tech</b> • Talking calculator - to check work, Tape recorder &amp; headphones - to tape answers</p> <p><b>High Tech</b>: IntelliMathics, Inspiration, Talking portable word processor</p>	<p>Supports will be introduced in the following order:</p> <p>Para /teachers reads questions &amp; writes dictated answers • Student copies dictated answers • Student uses manipulatives to solve problem • Present 1 problem at a time • Student dictates to tape recorder • With headphones, student transcribes tape • Introduce talking calculator • Teacher will be trained on Inspiration &amp; IntelliMathics software • Classroom supported by resource room teacher • Schedule meeting in 1 month with student; teachers and AT assessor to determine which tools/supports may need to be provided on long term basis</p> <p>• Student success determinedly length/quality of student written responses</p>

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