

00:35:02 Candace Kielbiski: Heidi, I keep wondering about if there is a way for him to participate in a collective music group? Less instruction, and more cool collaborations with peers?

00:38:42 Heidi Garcia: Great idea, Candace!

00:38:51 Heidi Garcia: I will definitely look into options.

00:40:05 sedda "bug": Really tough to see our kids struggle this way, and to not know exactly what they need for support...and how long it's going to take. Tough stuff! You're doing a great job navigating it.

00:45:02 Candace Kielbiski: next queue:

00:45:08 Candace Kielbiski: Rocio

00:45:10 Candace Kielbiski: Brooke

00:45:15 Candace Kielbiski: Elana

00:51:22 Candace Kielbiski: Oh wow. Isn't this the truth for all of us.

00:51:45 DISHA TRIVEDI: yes, Candace :)

00:51:46 Susan Yu-Svensson: i could not agree more, beautiful.

00:59:21 Catherine: I have twins too, and one of mine sometimes says similar things about not feeling loved.

00:59:45 DISHA TRIVEDI: We have been playing hide and seek in the house and it does so much good to all of us. It gets us in a good mood instantly.

01:02:41 Lisette DiPasquale: Great comment about friends. Children can't raise children. Aha!

01:03:45 Dajana Yoakley: Yes totally agree Lisette!

01:06:08 Sarah O'Flaherty: She sounds amazingly creative

01:06:37 Susan Yu-Svensson: Brooke this nearly exact scenario has actually happened in my home. I am right there with you.

01:09:36 Heidi Whipple: I love our community on Facebook! There is so much collective wisdom there.

01:09:38 Heidi Garcia: Yes, Brooke! I know there is a difference between IRL community and online community, but we are here for you. 🥰

01:10:09 DISHA TRIVEDI: I second that Heidi :)

01:11:08 Susan Yu-Svensson: Yes agreed Disha and Heidi

01:12:45 Candace Kielbiski: Brooke, I know you mentioned that you suspect that she might be adhd. It makes me wonder if the slime obsession may be a wonderful sensory experience for her. She may even use the feeling of slime as a emotional regulating device.

01:13:28 Heidi Garcia: I had a similar thought to Candace.

01:14:52 Heidi Whipple: One thing we have found really helpful with tech limits in our family is only Mom and Dad have the password for the kids computers.

01:15:32 Sarah O'Flaherty: Whats the wif like in the basement? Maybe she's following along in Youtube

01:15:35 Lindsey Etheridge: I can do relate. My 9 yo with ADHD hides things if he thinks I will say no. I appreciate you asking the question. Answers were helpful for us as well.

01:15:43 Candace Kielbiski: This is also the case in our house. However, I have friends that put parameters on the device to be inactive during the night

01:15:54 sedda "bug": Slime in the bathroom -- curious. Maybe it's about access to water? Slime+water? I wonder what her needs are?

01:16:12 Susan Yu-Svensson: I use Qustodio for tech limits. It has been helpful. In addition to many, many discussions about setting limits.

01:18:31 Filyet Iscimen: Perhaps this is an opportunity for you to heal. To accept her defiance may mean to accept yourself.

01:18:40 Heidi Garcia: Wow! I have been thinking about the inconsistent messages that my son has been experiencing recently and she just touched on it!

01:19:34 Lindsey Etheridge: Me too! Please say more about this!

01:22:30 Candace Kielbiski: Thank you for this Brooke. You asked a question that applies to all of us

01:26:06 Heidi Garcia: Camp must be very upsetting for kids. My 6.5 year old hit a kid last week--something I thought he'd gotten over about 2 years ago.

01:28:00 Brooke Lee: Thank you for sharing all of these thoughtful ideas and supportive feedback! <3

01:29:45 Heidi Garcia: My son doesn't care about other kids. Likes them, plays with them, etc., but never even thinks about having them over for play dates, etc.

01:29:56 sedda "bug": I agree Heidi....Camp can be hard! I think camps can be challenging because not all of them are able to provide a secure platform for support or behavior. I know the camps I went to were run by HS and college students under a few more seasoned adults. I don't think the counselors got a lot of education to support the kids (much less in the PP style!). The leaders do the best they can, but it can be really challenging for some kids, esp if they are sensitive to chaos. And kids really are under the pressure of quite a lot of structure these days, esp with pandemic limitations. So hard for both the kids and the adults (and near-adults) helping them.

01:38:04 Susan Yu-Svensson: Wow, this is my situation as well. Father and child have not seen one another in 3 years. Thank you.

01:38:32 ELANA STEINBERG: Thanks for the ideas about friends and camp. Very true that their counselors have much less experience with 5 yr olds than their teachers at school.

01:38:33 Candace Kielbiski: Susan, I am linking this small article from Dr. Laura. This is also a great resource.

01:38:38 Candace Kielbiski: <https://www.ahaparenting.com/read/helping-kids-when-asbergers-dad-leaves-the-family>

01:38:57 Susan Yu-Svensson: Thank you

01:45:22 Sherry Boone: Thank you very much!!!!

01:45:26 sedda "bug": Thankyou!