

Hi everyone!

I just finished reading, *Ten Things Your Student With Autism Wishes You Knew* (the book I mentioned during our last group meeting), and just had share once again what a gem of a publication this is!!! There are ten wonderfully written chapters including, *We Are A Team, Success Depends On All Of Us Working Together; I Think Differently, Teach Me In A Way That's Meaningful To Me; Teach The Whole Me, I'm Much More Than A Set Of Broken Or Missing Parts; Be Curious; Believe; Teach Me "How To Fish," See Me As A Capable Adult And Hold That Vision*, that are filled with so many "hooray!" explanations, insights, and personal moments, I could barely keep my seat!! (It's written by a well-published Mom who has two special sons of her own, and includes a number of statements, insights and explanations written by teenage children on the spectrum...sharing their experiences...sharing what worked and what didn't, etc.).

There are dozens of "quotable quotes" throughout this book, but one that I'll share was written by an ASD teenager that reads, *"I can sense far more than I can communicate, and the number one thing I can sense is whether or not you think I 'can do it.' Expecting too little of me is just as bad as expecting too much. Believe that autism imposes no upper limits for me other than the limits of your willingness to stretch as a teacher. Autism is an open-ended disability. There's no telling how far I can go if you lead – not just point – the way."*

I am so impressed with this book that I've ordered seven copies to give to Addam's para-teachers, typical teacher, speech therapist, the school's principal, vice-principal, and guidance counselor. And it's not just applicable to professional educators, it is a marvelous resource and source of tremendous encouragement for us parent-teachers (and we're all parent-teachers), siblings, and other family members who are looking for guidance and optimistic glimpses into the futures of our kids! If you're interested, this book is featured on Future Horizon's home page @ [www.FHautism.com](http://www.FHautism.com). As you can tell, I highly recommend it!!!

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