



Sample Strengths & Strategies Profile

Strengths, Gifts, Interests, and Talents for Jordon

- Loves to read and is a good reader
- Great sense of humor
- Friendly and outgoing
- Great memory; remembers a lot of personal information about others after meeting them
- Knows a lot of information about cars
- Is very interested in all areas of science
- Loves to travel and has traveled all over the United States
- Is skilled at basic internet searches on specific topics
- Enjoys working to help others
- Loves school
- Likes PE and other physical games
- Enjoys swimming
- Works well with a schedule
- Loves football and soccer
- Loves to hang out with friends
- Interested in joining school clubs and sports teams
- Is a good public speaker and presents at conferences
- Has a lot of creative ideas to write about
- Is interested in going to college

Effective Strategies for Jordon

- Make sure all literature is accessible — Use text reading software or make sure that material is at Jordon's reading level
- Highlight key points on text using highlighter tape
- Focus on Jordon learning big ideas in science and social studies
- Pre-teach points for him to share out loud
- Have students work in groups when possible
- Use buddy notes in all classes
- Color code notebook by subjects
- Have him dictate a brainstorm or story map prior to writing
- Color code what will go 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th... to support writing
- Use laptop and co-writer for all writing assignments
- Practice math skills while working in the school store
- Encourage him and provide praise in the same way as to others
- Use peer supports
- Teach in naturally occurring general education environments
- Have high expectations

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