



A Framework for Recognising Attainment in Intensive Interaction*

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Term:

Encounter:

The student or client is present during an interactive episode without any obvious awareness of its progression.
e.g. a willingness to tolerate a shared social atmosphere or environment is sufficient

Date + staff initials:

Awareness:

The student or client appears to notice, or fleetingly focus on an event or person involved in the interactive episode.
e.g. by briefly interrupting a pattern of self-absorbed movement or vocalisation

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Attention and Response:

The student or client begins to respond (although not consistently) to what is happening in an interactive episode.
e.g. by showing signs of surprise, enjoyment, frustration or dissatisfaction

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Engagement:

The student or client shows consistent attention to the interactive episode presented to them.
e.g. by sustained looking or listening, or repeatedly following events with movements of their eyes, head or other body parts

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Participation:

The student or client shows anticipation of, and engages in, taking turns in a sequence of events during an interactive episode.
e.g. by intentionally sequencing their actions with another person or by intentionally passing signals repeatedly back and forth

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Involvement:

The student or client makes active efforts to reach out, consistently join in, or even comment in some way on the interaction.
e.g. by sequencing their actions and speaking, signing, vocalising or gesturing in some consistent and meaningful way

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Student Initiated Interaction:

The student or client independently starts an interaction (that cannot be described as repetitive or self-absorbed behaviour) and engages another person in the activity with social intent.

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Room managers observations/General comments: