

Could My Child Have Autism?



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No individual symptom is a sign of autism, and no two children with autism have an identical symptom. There are no medical tests that can determine whether a child is autistic, and there are no hard and fast rules how autism should be diagnosed.

In fact, in some cases, it can be tough for even a professional to diagnose a child has an **autism spectrum disorder. But if your child has the following symptoms and they can't be recognized to any other disorder it might be a good idea to consider an autism screening or autism evaluation.**



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Child with autism spectrum disorders (ASD) will almost have the challenges with speech and language, but unless the challenges are obvious (For Example, a five-year-old child with no spoken language), they can be hard to spot. That's because children with autism may use plenty of words, and may even use more words than their typical peers.

Here are some tips for determining if your child is facing difficulties with verbal communication; it's important to note that these difficulties are not, in themselves, signs of autism child:

- **At the age 2years, they use few or no spoken words, nor do they use gestures, gibberish, or other means to communicate their needs or thoughts.**
- **They use to repeat the same words by seeing from television, movies, or other people, especially if they are not using the words to communicate meaning.**
- **They are not hard of hearing but don't respond when their name is called.**
- **Lack of eye contact, even when you an eye contact with them.**
- **Never initiating interactions or conversations with others.**
- **No babbling or gibberish at some stages of speech.**



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Play Skills

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Most of the autism child will interact in unusual ways with objects, toys, and potential playmates. Most of the child likes to prefer their own company than the company of other children or to demand that playmates interact with them in certain predictable ways. Here are some forms of play that are common among **children with autism:**

- Lining up toys or objects, rather than using them in pretend or interactive play.
- Interacting in the same way with the same objects (like toys, doors, containers, etc.) over and over again.

- **Enacting the same scenes (often from TV) over and over again in exactly the same way.**
- **Engaging in "parallel play" (two children playing near one another but not interacting) long past the point when such play is developmentally typical.**
- **Ignoring or responding angrily to attempts to join them in their play or make changes to their play schemes**
- **Having difficulty with age appropriate forms of play such as pretend play, rule-based games, organized sports, or other activities that require social communication.**



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People with autism spectrum disorder may often have unusual physical behaviors that set them apart from their peers. While none of these behaviors is itself, a sign of autism, all of them can be part of the autism "package." For example, autistic children may:

- Flap, Rock are often as a way to calm themselves
- Over or under responding to sensory input, including pain.
- Child with autism are unusually **picky eaters** and may refuse foods with particular textures or strong flavors

- **Have an unusual gait that may include a toe walking or awkward movements.**
- **Responding in age inappropriate ways to unexpected changes in routine.**
- **Exhibit age inappropriate behaviors or interests or have difficulty with developing abilities in toileting, dressing, etc.**



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*Physical Symptoms or
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While the criteria for autism disorders do not include physical or mental symptoms or illness, such issues are unusually common among with an autism child.

- Sleep problems are common among autism peoples. Many autistic children have trouble in falling or staying asleep, and adults on the spectrum often have similar issues.**
- Many children with autism have mild or more significant delays in gross & fine motor skills. For example, they may have difficulty with manipulating silverware, using climbing, jumping, etc.**

- **Seizure disorders are more common among autism children.**
- **Gastrointestinal (GI) problems such as diarrhea, constipation, and/or vomiting are more common among child with autism.**
- **Autistic people of all ages are more prone than their typical peers to social anxiety, ADHD, depression, OCD, generalized anxiety, and other developmental disorders and mental illness.**

Again, none of these symptoms, individually, are **signs of autism but combined with other symptoms, they may raise enough concerns to warrant an evaluation.**



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Less Common Signs

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Quite a few people with autism have unusual symptoms that may not cause problems in themselves but which do suggest a different developmental disorders path. A few such symptoms may include as below:

- **Hyperlexia:** It is a syndrome that is characterized by an autism child's precocious ability to read and a significant difficulty in understanding by verbal language and significant problems during social interactions.

- **Synesthesia:** It is a neurological condition in which stimulation of one cognitive or sensory pathway (e.g., hearing) may lead to automatic, involuntary experiences in a second cognitive or sensory pathway (e.g., vision).
- **Savant syndrome:** Autistic savants are who represent a small percentage of the autistic population, may have amazing abilities to memorize information, play piano, do complex calculations, and so forth.



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When to Seek an Evaluation

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If you've read through with this checklist and find that your child seems to exhibit some of these symptoms of autism, now it is the **right time to seek an autism screening/evaluation at Best Autism treatment Centre in Bangalore, CAPAAR.**

You may choose to seek an evaluation before your doctor suggests it, and that choice is perfectly appropriate.

The reality is that parents are often the first to notice their child's differences and delays. After all, your regular doctor only sees your child once a year, or when he's sick, so he/she may not have a chance to see what you notice every day.

And if your child is autistic, now is a great time to start providing therapies that can give your child the tools she needs to be successful.

CONCLUSIONS

For more information regarding ASD screening, early intervention and **developmental disorders**, please contact CAPAAR Center. We put emphasis on acquiring new and appropriate behaviors, while we also working on helping the child to achieve developmentally age appropriate milestones through evidence based practices.

If you have questions to ask about Best Autism Treatment Centre in Bangalore. Click on the topics below to find out more from the direct website of [Capaar4autism](http://Capaar4autism.com).

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