**Teacher Interview**

*This sample form is intended to show only what types of questions are typically asked during a teacher interview. Most actual interview protocols include many more questions.*

**Date:** 4/18/20XX

**Student:** Isaiah

**Grade:** 7

**Interviewer:** R. Turner, Special Education Teacher

**Teacher:** T. Rajiv, Paraeducator

1. Describe the behavior(s) that you are concerned about. List them in the order of concern.
   1. Throwing things in the classroom
   2. Refusing to do what he is asked to do
   3. Hitting and kicking the furniture
2. When do these behaviors occur? Are there times when they occur more often than others?

When he is told to do something new or to stop something that he is already doing.

1. Describe something that you could do or say that would almost always result in the behavior.

If Isaiah is in the middle of drawing a picture and I tell him that he has to put it away to do math or science, or really anything else, he will probably hit something or throw something.

1. How do you typically address these behaviors when they occur?

I try to tell him what he needs to do again, but sometimes that makes him more upset. I usually let him take a break or give him a few more minutes to finish what he was doing. Sometimes he still won’t stop and I have to tell him again, but that usually makes him more aggressive.

1. Why do you think these behaviors occur?

I think he is just trying to do what he wants instead of what the teacher is asking him to do. He thinks drawing and the computer are fun but the teachers ask him to do things that are challenging or more boring.

*This interview was adapted from* [*O’Neill et al. (2015)*](https://www.cengage.com/c/functional-assessment-and-program-development-for-problem-behavior-a-practical-handbook-3e-o-neill-albin-storey-horner-sprague/9781285734828/) *and* [*Hanley et al. (2009)*](https://nam04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fdoi.org%2F10.1037%2Ft24967-000&data=05%7C02%7Cnicholas.m.shea%40Vanderbilt.Edu%7Cb10f8afc49bd42c2038208dd924f52a6%7Cba5a7f39e3be4ab3b45067fa80faecad%7C0%7C0%7C638827591593232092%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=%2BixC6J4JAUrRSqkxqcXlPTqaeN9e6lbOYt8kY%2FYUnT4%3D&reserved=0)*.*