

Superhero Social Skills: GENERALIZATION



The Major Problem with Social Skills Is:

- **THE PROBLEM IS GENERALIZATION**
- Transfer of newly learned behaviors and skills into settings in which the intervention procedures have not been implemented

Generalization

- The Critical Element
- Multiple Approaches
- Three Generalization Populations
- Other Students
- General Education Teacher and Staff
- Parents and Family

Stokes and Baer

Stokes and Baer: Ways to Overcome Generalization Problems

- Over learn the skill
- Teach the skill in natural environments
- Reinforce the skill in natural environments
- Teach many examples
- Vary the program across people and situations
- **A NEW WAY TO GENERALIZE SKILLS**

Sticky

- Superheroes
- Superhero Voices
- Pokemon Cards
- Comic Books
- Fast Hands Animation (Videos and Video Games)

Give Teachers and Staff the *Classroom Practice Sheets* and *Power Charge Cards*

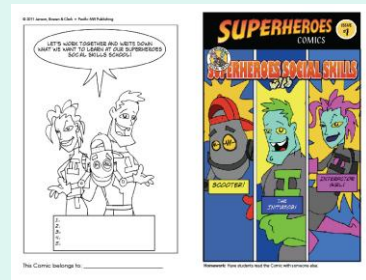
- Document when the skills occurred in natural setting
- Give praise and Power Charges
- Encourage a Classroom Peer Buddy

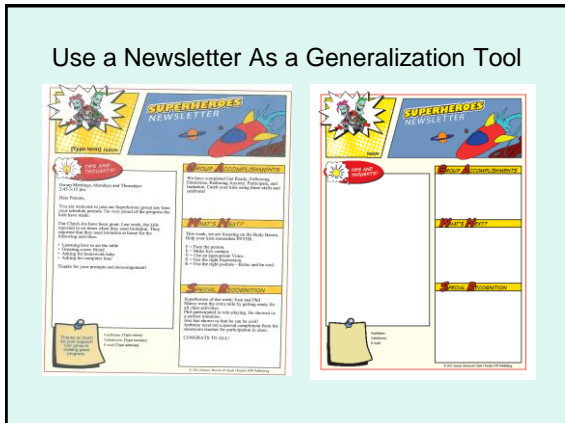
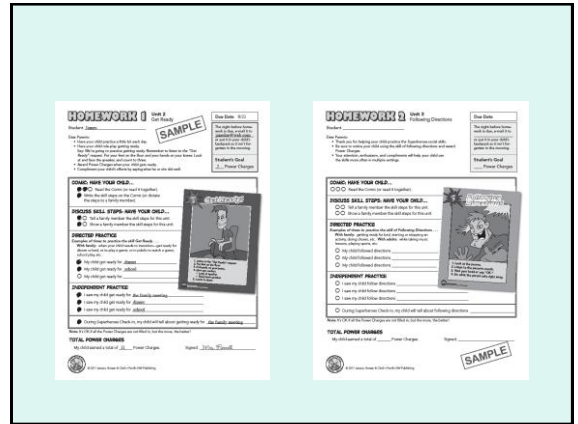
Parents and Family

- Educate the family (group meeting)
- Familiarize them with program *materials-Skills Calendar, Power Cards and Posters, Reinforcer Checklist results, Homework Sheets, Digital Comics*
- Superheroes News Letter

Teach Parents These Tasks

- Read Digital Comic with Child
- Help child write the steps on the back of the comic
- Give Power Charges for Reading Comic
- Discuss the skill with the family
- Teach the parents to solicit the skill as Direct Practice (pre-arranged)
- Independent Practice (catch the child using the skills-incident learning)
- Make sure parent returns the Power Charge Card to school





Current Research-Parent Teaching and Coaching

- Demonstrate-Get Ready and Following Directs
- Train three parents together
- Have them switch off on who is in charge for group and who is support
- Develop a FaceBook page with parents
- Use Skype for in home demonstration of skills and answer questions