In a Communicative Environment...

- 1. ... professionals have good competence and skills to communicate
- 2. ... there are friends who use the same way to communicate
- 3. ... communication is central during the whole day
- 4. ... communication is going on in all situations and activities
- 5. ... we give access to "language bath"
- 6. ... we regard communication as prerequisite of learning (not as a subject on the schedule)
- 7. ... we give communication and communicative activities a lot of time
- 8. ... we notice all communicative initiatives
- 9. ... we use a distinct and generous body language
- 10. ... we accept, notice and encourage all communication: body language, gestures, movements, sounds...
- 11. ... we can wait and be silent
- 12. ... we give the AAC user a lot of opportunities to take communicative initiatives
- 13. ... we give the AAC user opportunities to take turns, to ask and to answer
- 14. ... we are spare in asking questions
- 15. ... we comment and confirm communication the content, not the form
- 16. ... we are not governing and correcting
- $17. \ ... \ we encourage active communication between AAC users$
- 18. ... we don't interfere the communication between AAC users
- 19. ... there are attractive objects to communicate about
- 20. ... we alternate structure/safety and surprises

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