

Quotations

Materials/Resources:

Analyzing quotations affords the opportunity for students to use higher-level language skills for interpretation. One of the best websites that has a broad collection of quotes is www.brainyquote.com

Recommended authors for quotes include:

Yogi Berra (humor)
Dan Quayle (What did he mean to say?)
Abraham Lincoln
John F. Kennedy
Vincent Van Gogh
Walt Disney
Helen Keller

Skills Targeted:

- *Interpretation of Abstract & Ambiguous Language
- *Irony
- *Verbal Reasoning
- *Vocabulary
- *Semantics

Instruction:

1. Depending on the allotted time in therapy, select 3-5 quotes.
2. Have students read the quotes as a group.
3. Provide time for students to process and interpret the quote.
4. Have students discuss their individual interpretations of a given quote. Provide leading questions and clues to assist students in deciphering the deeper or implied meaning of the quotes.