



## Our Brains Are Like Computers!: Exploring Social Skills and Social Cause and Effect with Children on the Autism Spectrum

By Joel Shaul



Jessica Kingsley Publishers, Inc, 2016. Hardcover. Book Condition: New. In what ways do people think about other people? Computers save and share files, and people save and share their memories of one another. This highly visual social skills book uses computer metaphors and visual diagrams to help children on the autism spectrum to understand how their words and actions can affect other people. Easily identifiable computing and social networking comparisons are used to explain how memories are saved in the brain, like files in computer folders, and how, just as files can be shared and downloaded on the internet, people learn about you by sharing their positive and negative impressions with each other. The author explains why certain actions may be "liked" or "disliked" by others, and offers guidance on appropriate and inappropriate social behavior. This book also features photocopiable worksheets to reinforce the guidance and lessons offered in the book. 'As a parent of a child with social delays, I found Shaul's visual "computer metaphor" to be an excellent tool in breaking down the complexity of social exchanges. As a professional, I found the games, worksheets, and concrete strategies provided to be extremely helpful in teaching perspective taking and...



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