How to Succeed Differently:

FASD and Neurodevelopmental Ideas for Kaiako and Whānau

Brain Domain:	Challenge:	Try this instead:
Acedemic achievement	 Having difficulty in school e.g. reading, math 	 Extra time to complete tasks and requests Organisation and routine within the classroom
Attention	 Difficulty paying attention and keeping still 	 Incorporating movement in tasks Offering short breaks and 'chunking' work, small chunks at a time
Cognition	 Trouble with planning, problem solving, and complex ideas 	 Simplify and clarify Break down large tasks into one instruction at a time Visual aids and prompts
Language	 Hard to remember lengthy instructions Can repeat instructions but not follow through 	 Reduce distractions Use short and simple steps Confirm understanding
Memory ***	 Challenges in short term, long term, and working memory 	 Create meaningful connections to experiences or interests Develop routines Focus on one task at a time Create habits and routines

Brain Domain:	Challenge:	Try this instead:
Executive functioning	 Difficulty understanding cause and effect Often repeats mistakes Difficulty with concepts and abstract ideas 	 Remember, they will if they can Focus on effort and progress rather than outcomes Connection seeking not attention seeking
Social skills and social communications	May not read social cuesSocially vunerableSocially immature	 School/employment support Support with money and finance Interdependence goals rather than independence
Motor skills	 Difficulty with fine motor such as scissors, pencil grip Difficulty with balance, coordination, reflexes 	 Adaptive tools, strategies and advice to help individual aspects
Window of tolerance	 Anxiety, depression, mood swings 	 Whānau and personal wellbeing support Seek professional support
Sensory processing	• Can be over or under sensitive, can be both	 Learn triggers and adapt to compensate e.g. brighter lights/curtains closed, rough textures/smooth textures



