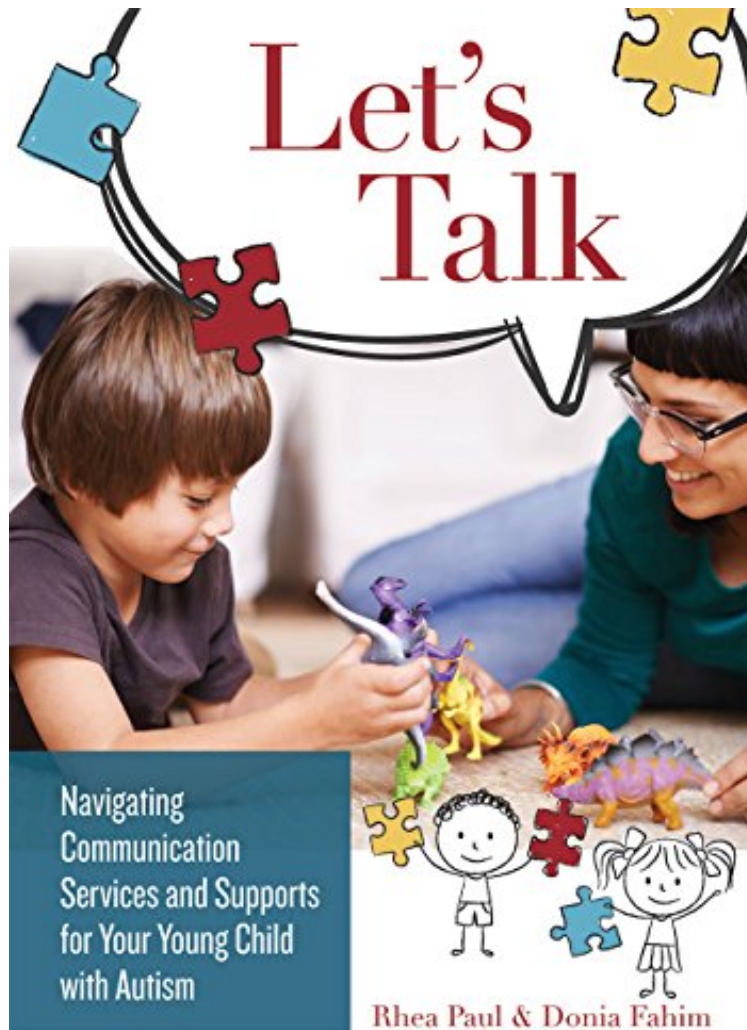


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This simple statement is something everyone who has a child on the Autism Spectrum wishes they could hear from a trained and knowledgeable professional. You want a simple, straight-forward, and sincere discussion about what happens next. But this happens far, far too rarely. Usually the diagnosis comes with too little information, too much information, too technical information, or, even worse, a lot of really BAD information. And more often than not, bad information is the most common, and usually the loudest. The internet is awash with crackpot theories, diatribes, excuses, conspiracies, and fake cures that litter the landscape like emotional landmines. The simple truth is often hard to find. This is why *Lets Talk* is such a breath of fresh air. The title explains almost everything perfectly. It is a discussion more than anything else. The book is educated without being difficult to understand, it is straight-forward, without being too clinical. It is a discussion between experts and the parents to explain what this new facet of your child means, what you can do to help your child, what you can do to help yourself, and how you can better work together, because what really matters is that you both have some help to overcome some challenges that you might face. And the subtitle, *Navigating Communication Services and Supports* is exactly that, a way to navigate through the multitude of voices, some honestly very good, but many terrible, that can explode in your face, like the emotional landmines referenced above. It is an opportunity to sit down with some exceptionally well qualified professionals and get some simple answers about what can be complex questions. In the end, you're looking for some peace, some explanations, and for some compassionate understanding of the fears and concerns you have, and this book does an excellent job of explaining where to go from here. If you have an autistic child, or friends or family who have just had a child diagnosed with autism, this book is going to do more than help. It is going to comfort the parents, help the children, and help build a bridge between child, parent, and the potential services and opportunities open to them. I cannot recommend this highly enough. It can all be bewildering at first so why not sit down with some clearly exceptional experts and simply have a heart-to-heart talk?

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. My new "go to" book for families! By Customer I can not say enough about this book, Rhea Paul and Donia Fahim are true autism experts! I have been a speech language pathologist working with children on the spectrum for more than 20 years. This book will be my new "go to" book for all of the families that I work with. It clearly details what autism is, the process of diagnosis, and educational services available to families. I really think that including a section about both traditional and non-traditional therapy options was brilliant. Families can use this book as a guide in navigating the overwhelming experience of having to decide on which treatment option is best for their child. I highly recommend this book to all professionals working with families with children on the spectrum.

2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Great resource for parents! By Nili Geldwert I'm a speech-language pathologist and always looking for great resources for my parents. This is a fabulous book. It explains the communication challenges of a child with ASD. It also does a great job explaining different educational programs as well as different types of communication therapy a child might need. It provides an extensive amount of knowledge using parent friendly language.

Communication is often a parent's number-one concern when a young child is diagnosed with autism. With so many interventions available, how can families be sure they're choosing the best option for their child? This accessible, straightforward book gives you the practical knowledge that you need to evaluate communication therapies and treatments and make sound decisions rooted in evidence-based practice. A practical resource from trusted experts on autism and communication, this book covers everything from autism fundamentals to the specifics of developing an individualized treatment plan for children birth to five. With the research-based knowledge and real-world guidance in these pages, you will be a well-informed advocate ready to provide the best support for your child on the spectrum.

THIS BOOK HELPS YOU: arm yourselves with essential knowledge about autism and how it's diagnosed understand the range of social communication behaviors you might see in your child learn the how and why of developmental assessments choose evidence-based treatments and interventions that address your child's specific communication needs support your child's development of key skills, such as motor imitation, joint attention, play, and spontaneous communication make the most of available educational services, including IEPs and IFSPs partner effectively with SLPs, OTs, special educators, and paraprofessionals navigate the complex emotions associated with a child's autism diagnosis

PRACTICAL MATERIALS: A sample Functional Behavior Analysis (FBA) Form, a Setting Events-Antecedent-Behavior-Consequence Chart (SABC), helpful glossaries of educational terms and evidence-based practice terms, sample Individualized Family Service Plan (IFSP)

Uniquely promotes integration of Applied Behavior Analysis and SLP strategies in supporting communication by students with autism The authors deserve high marks for effectively translating their speech-language research expertise into accessible language applicable to families' daily lives.