

What is Asperger Syndrome (AS)? That seems a simple question, but you will find the description expressive

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What is Asperger syndrome?

National Institutes of Health People with Asperger Syndrome have autism-like problems in areas of social interaction

Asperger Syndrome is an [autism spectrum disorder](#) (part of a group of conditions that include autism and other

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What are the symptoms of Asperger Syndrome?

National Institutes of Health One of the most distinct symptoms of Asperger Syndrome is having an obsessive

Those with Asperger Syndrome tend to have good vocabularies and grammar skills. But they usually have

Other symptoms of Asperger syndrome may include:

- Obsessive or repetitive routines and rituals
- Motor-skill problems, such as clumsy or uncoordinated movements and delays in motor skills
- Social-skill problems, especially related to communicating with others
- Sensitivity to sensory information, such as light, sound, temperature, and taste ([see more](#))

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What is the treatment for Asperger Syndrome?

National Institutes of Health There is no cure for Asperger Syndrome, but people with Asperger Syndrome.
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From **A Survival Guide for People with Asperger Syndrome** the problems exper

I certainly wouldn't want [people to think that just one](#) definition of autism or Asperger syndrome was suff

**Marc Segar was a young man with Asperger Syndrome. His personal insight is a non-medical, but inter*

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Why haven't I heard of Asperger Syndrome before?

Autism Society of America Asperger's Disorder was first described in the 1940s by Viennese pediatricia
(www.autism-society.org/site/PageNavigator/about_what_is_asperger)

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Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM IV) Description

Diagnostic Criteria For 299.80 Asperger's Disorder

A. Qualitative impairment in social interaction, as manifested by at least two of the following:

1. marked impairments in the use of multiple nonverbal behaviors such as eye-to-eye gaze, facial ex
2. failure to develop peer relationships appropriate to developmental level
3. a lack of spontaneous seeking to share enjoyment, interests, or achievements with other people (

4. lack of social or emotional reciprocity

B. Restricted repetitive and stereotyped patterns of behavior, interests, and activities, as manifested by a

1. encompassing preoccupation with one or more stereotyped and restricted patterns of interest that
2. apparently inflexible adherence to specific, nonfunctional routines or rituals
3. stereotyped and repetitive motor mannerisms (e.g., hand or finger flapping or twisting, or complex
4. persistent preoccupation with parts of objects

C. The disturbance causes clinically significant impairment in social, occupational, or other important areas

D. There is no clinically significant general delay in language (e.g., single words used by age 2 years, com

E. There is no clinically significant delay in cognitive development or in the development of age-appropri

F. Criteria are not met for another specific Pervasive Developmental Disorder or Schizophrenia
