b-d-p-q SORTING

PURPOSE: To practice quick, accurate visual-verbal recognition of likes and differences simultaneously

APPARATUS: Letter charts (provided), metronome, balance board

METHOD:

- 1. Place the letter chart:
 - a. in normal reading position, or
 - b. at eye level on the wall or window.
- 2. Patient is to touch and name each letter in turn, in time with the metronome beat. Vary the rhythm.
- 3. He is to touch and name any two, and then three, letters. For example, touch and name all b's and p's, or all d's, p's and q's.
- 4. Patient is to use preferred hand, then the other hand. Also use alternate hands on each step.
- 5. Repeat these activities without the use of hands.
- 6. He may vary the procedure by saying the letter sounds (buh, duh, puh, kuh) instead of the letter names.
- 7. He touches and names all letters that make the "buh" sound (or "duh" or "puh").
- 8. When an error is made in a line, repeat the line.
- 9. Work from left to right, but occasionally work from top to bottom, or bottom to top.

ASPECTS TO BE EMPHASIZED:

- 1. Ability to name the letters accurately and in rhythm with the metronome.
- 2. Ability to do this with and without the use of hands.
- 3. Ability to do this seated, standing, or on the balance board.
- 4. Use the metronome only when naming and touching each letter in turn. Do not use it when naming only certain selected letters.

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