

INTRODUCTION

We asked you—speech pathologists at the 2004 American Speech-Language-Hearing Association Convention and patients using *Workbook for Reasoning Skills* what changes you would like in new editions of the Brubaker workbooks.

You responded—enthusiastically and with many different ideas and opinions.

We listened—and made note of all your thoughts.

We responded—with the book you have in your hands.

What is new on the outside?

- a new ring binder that retains the familiar and sturdy cover with the name on the spine so it can be easily identified on a shelf
- separate sheets of paper so if you want only one or two exercises they can easily be removed
- heavier paper that is durable but is not too heavy to put through a normal copier
- the addition of tabbed dividers to help you locate exercises more quickly
- a new subtitle that more accurately reflects the contents of the book

What is new on the inside?

- new formatting that separates the directions and examples from the actual exercise
- larger and easier-to-read print
- more space and divisions between questions for those with visual field difficulties
- larger, easier-to-read page numbers
- completed examples that are highlighted to help users identify them
- about 200 new questions that were added to make short pages full

- almost 1,500 changes made to additional items
- changed items include references that are obsolete, out-of-date, politically incorrect, and repeated or boring words
- the addition of an Answer Key for Selected Exercises at the back of the book
- the addition of a User's Guide on the next page with helpful suggestions
- the addition of pages on which to keep track of assignments
- the addition of a Strategies page
- legal permission is now granted for you to copy exercises for your own use as outlined on the copyright page

We believe we have encompassed the best of your ideas and the best of the original book that has been so popular for the last twenty-two years. We hope you agree and that you find this second and updated edition a much-improved tool to help you achieve your goals.

Thank you for your continued support of the Brubaker workbooks, your suggestions for their improvement, and your dedication to using our quality treatment materials to stimulate the brain, provide practice, a challenge, and perhaps a chuckle or two.

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