- 0:00 Now let's talk about behavior contract
- 0:02 this intervention which is useful for students of all ages
- 0:06 is a written document between a teacher and a student
- 0:10 which specifies expected behaviors, positive and negative consequences,
- 0:14 and the time frame of the contract
- 0:17 the behavior contract spells out in detail the expectations
- 0:21 of the student and the teacher in the implementation of the plan
- 0:25 it specifies the students behavioral obligations
- 0:28 as well as the teacher's obligations
- 0:30 the teacher and the student negotiate an agreement
- 0:33 so each party receives some benefit or payoff
- 0:37 the teacher benefits by improved student behavior
- 0:40 and the student benefits by earning something based on that improved behavior
- 0:44 students are often more motivated
- 0:47 to abide by the terms of the behavior contract
- 0:50 because of their involvement in the intervention
- 0:52 the student has input related to the conditions established within the contract
- 0:57 for earning preferred reinforcers
- 1:00 it provides students with more one on one help, support, and intervention
- 1:05 it holds students accountable
- 1:08 behavior contracts have to hold students accountable for their own choices and behavior
- 1:13 through this process, students have increased participation
- 1:16 in their own intervention efforts which
- 1:19 helps to promote self responsibility
- 1:21 it provides structure, routine, consistency and organization
- 1:26 it can be highly individualized for each student
- 1:30 it can be used multiple times for different goals or behaviors
- 1:34 remember, this intervention can only be used for skills that are already in the learner's repertoire
- 1:40 it should not be used to teach a new skill but rather increase the use of an existing skill
- 1:45 and it's an efficient, flexible and simple intervention tool to use