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## Dealing with Preschool Behaviors in Public Parent Worksheet

## **ACTIVITY #1:** Guess the function of the following problem behaviors.

- 1. Sucking my thumb to comfort myself. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Screaming because I may get candy or a balloon to quiet me down.
- 3. Hitting my playmate to make them go away...then I get the slide to myself!
- 4. Singing loudly in church/synagogue makes others look at me, or I get shushed by Mom/Dad.
- 5. Throwing a tantrum...the last time I did so at this place I hate, we left right away.

## **ACTIVITY #2: Personal example.**

- 1. List one problem behavior (PB) your child displays frequently.
- 2. Describe the setting & who is present: \_\_\_\_\_
- 3. Define PB, using verbs: My child \_\_\_\_\_\_

4. List how you and/or other adult usually respond: \_\_\_\_\_\_

- 5. (Instruction via PowerPoint)
- 6. List one or more antecedent strategies the presenter proposed that you might try: \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. (Instruction via PowerPoint)
- 8. Circle the possible function of the PB: Escape Attention (+ or -) Tangible Sensory
- 9. List a consequence-based strategy the presenter proposed that you might try: \_\_\_\_\_

## **ACTIVITY #3: Self-reflection.**

- 1. Overall, what are some ways I can react differently when my child misbehaves in public?
- 2. When I successfully use a new strategy I learned today, I will reinforce my own behavior by... bragging to spouse telling a friend buying favorite dessert going shopping spa service other <sup>(2)</sup>

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