

VISUAL TOKEN SYSTEMS

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**TOKEN SYSTEMS ARE EFFECTIVE FOR INCREASING
ON-TASK BEHAVIOR AND WORK COMPLETION**

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<http://www.silverliningmm.com/tokenframe.htm>

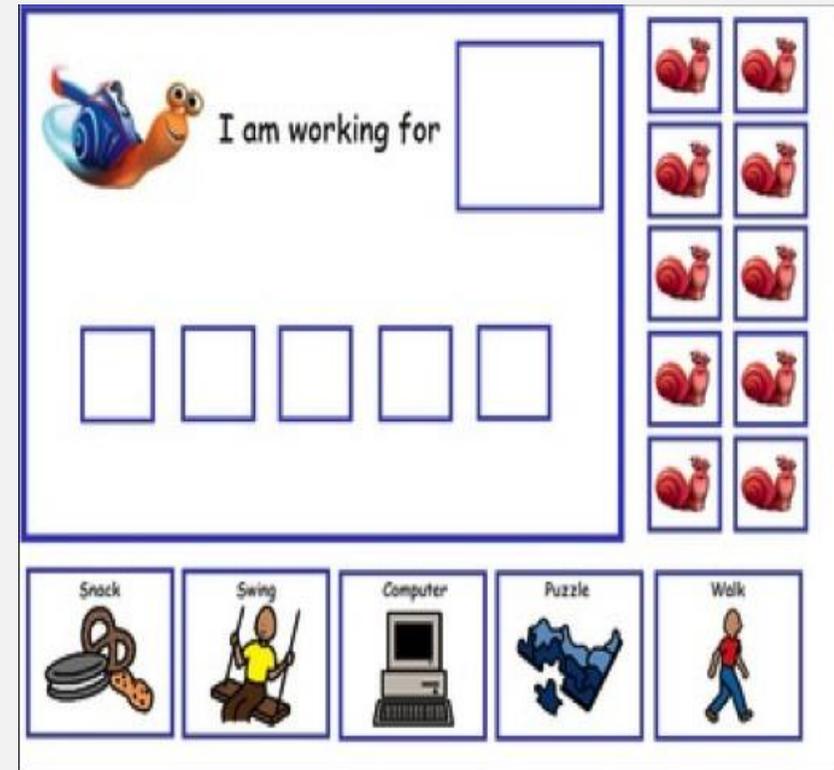
TOKEN SYSTEMS BENEFITS

- **Highly effective for students with low work stamina.**
- **Provides a high rate of feedback and reinforcement.**
- **Advantage: Token systems set the stage for teaching delayed gratification. Once the student has learned and “bought into” the system, demands can be increased e.g., increase the number of tokens earned before a token exchange.**
- **Provide a menu of reward options for the token exchange. Keep it fresh.**

Token Systems

TIPS:

- Teach the token system to staff AND to the student. Identify who will do this.
- Agreement on how students earn tokens – be very specific and consistent – EVERYBODY follows the plan.
- Do not take tokens away as a consequence.
- Provide token immediately after task completion or at scheduled time – let student know why they received the token/social reinforcement.
- Ensure the reward is meaningful to the student. Create a reward menu.



TOKEN SYSTEMS AND DATA COLLECTION



How often is the student earning tokens and token exchanges?

These can be indicators of success with replacement behaviors:

- Task completion
- Asking for help
- Following directions
- Using appropriate language

COMBINING TOKEN SYSTEMS WITH CICO

- Check In/Check Out is a commonly used Tier 2 intervention
- CICO is also used with students who need more complex behavior plans
- Both a token system and CICO can be used to provide:
 - Structured, high frequency positive feedback
 - Positive reinforcement for demonstrating replacement behaviors (on-task, work/task completion, respectful, responsible, safe)

CICO DAILY POINT SHEET

Rating Scale

Points Possible ____
 Points Received ____
 % of Points ____
 Goal Met? Y N

Name _____

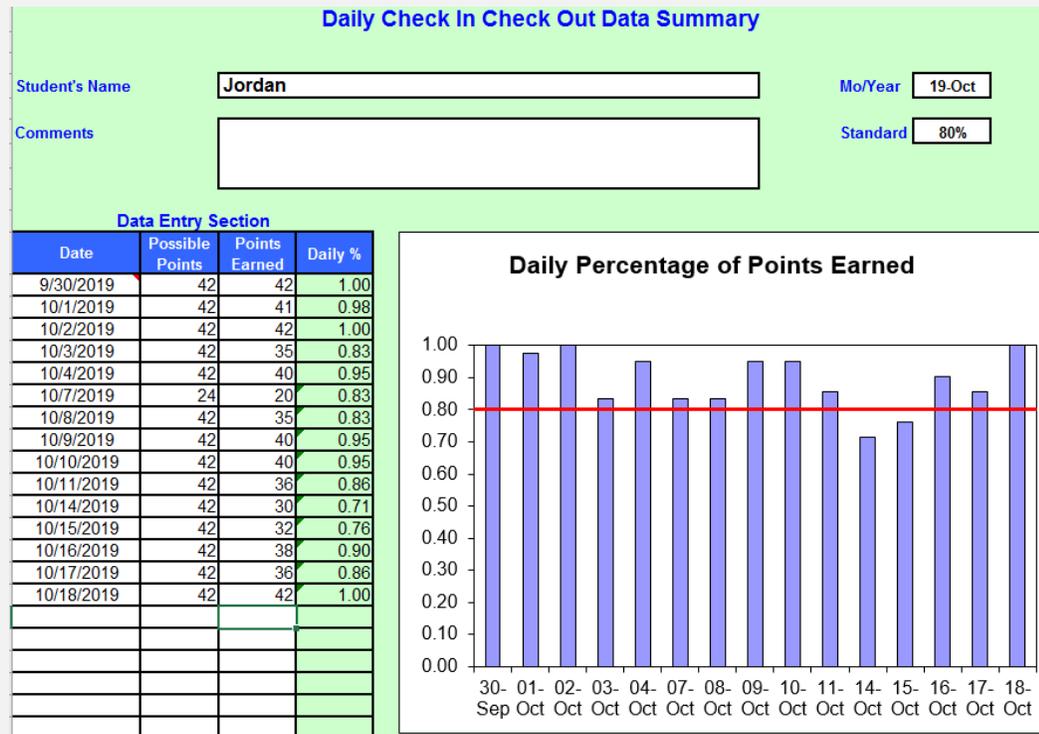
Date _____

2= Great
 1= OK
 0= Goal Not Met

	Reading	Math	Open	PE/Mu	Science
Respectful	2 1 0	2 1 0	2 1 0	2 1 0	2 1 0
Responsible	2 1 0	2 1 0	2 1 0	2 1 0	2 1 0
Safe	2 1 0	2 1 0	2 1 0	2 1 0	2 1 0

DAILY CICO DATA SUMMARY TEMPLATES

[HTTPS://WWW.RESA.NET/TEACHING-LEARNING/PBIS](https://www.resa.net/teaching-learning/pbis)



- Use CICO as a data source and an overall picture of how the student is doing.
- The token system supports the student with task completion and keeps the student on track to earn their points throughout the day.
- Both the Individual Data Summary on token exchanges and the CICO Daily or Weekly summaries provide important data for behavior review or school-based wraparound meetings.

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