Vignette 2

Jessica, a 7th grade student, was referred to the behavior support team for 'disrespect' by staff that monitors the halls during passing periods. After interviewing the staff and conducting several observations of Jessica's behavior between classes, the team determined that when walking down the hallways between classes, Jessica shouts curse words and intentionally humps into peers. This behavior is most likely to occur on the days that Jessica arrives late to school. Based on the data collected, the team agreed that the function of Jessica's behavior is to obtain adult attention.

Based on the information provided in the vignette, the team is considering the following interventions. For each intervention, please indicate if you would rate it as a FB (function-based), N (neutral), or C (contraindicated) in the spaces provided.

1. _____ When problem behavior occurs in the hallway, provide a verbal reprimand and have the student go back to her classroom and then walk down the hallway the 'right way'.

2. _____ Appropriate hallway behavior will be added to Jessica’s daily point card, and before classes begin she will 'check-in' briefly with each of her teachers regarding her behavior.

3. _____ On days that the student arrives late to school, she will be allowed to spend 5-10 minutes with the school counselor (a preferred adult) prior to going to class.

4. _____ When problem behavior occurs, take the student aside to explain why her behavior is inappropriate and how she should behave in the hallway.

5. _____ Teach student appropriate ways to gain attention from adults and peers in the hallway.

6. _____ When problem behavior occurs, student will be immediately sent to the office to discuss the incident with the principal or counselor.

7. _____ An announcement will be made over the PA system each morning reminding all students how to behave in the hallways.

8. _____ Provide frequent descriptive adult praise for appropriate hallway behavior.

Example A.

**Desired Behavior**
Complete writing assignment and turn in work

**Consequence**
Good grades, teacher acknowledgement

**Problem Behavior**
Out of seat (walking around room), making noises, and talking to peers

**Consequence/Function**
Access Peer Attention
Peers laugh and talk with him, and talk about it after class

**Alternative Behavior**
Ask to work with a peer

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<td>Allow student to sit with preferred peer in 1st period writing</td>
<td>Explicitly teach what &quot;on-task&quot; behavior looks like (and does not look like) in writing class</td>
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**Response to Problem**
When student starts to get out of seat/engage in problem behavior, remind him to ask appropriately to work with a peer

Is there anything incorrect or missing?


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