

What is the Difference Between an Educational Therapist and a Tutor?

	<u>Educational Therapist</u>	<u>Tutor</u>
What they do:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -provides individualized and intensive interventions to help remediate and work on foundational skills. -helps clients build self-awareness and underlying learning skills in order to become more self-reliant, efficient learners. -recognizes different learning behaviors and how this type of thinking affects academics and social-emotional learning. -conducts formal/informal assessments of academic skills to help gather data and drive interventions and learning goals. -supports executive functioning skills (e.g., organization, planning, time management, problem solving, and self-advocacy). -considers the impact of school, family, and community on the client's learning. -fosters communication and collaboratively works with other allied professionals and significant people concerned with the student's learning. -maintains a broader scope of practice. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -focus on specific subject matter. -reteaches skills that have already been taught in class. -provides homework assistance. -helps kids keep up with their schoolwork.
Goals and Strategies:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -sets goals and develops an intervention plan that addresses academic, psycho-educational and socio-emotional aspects of life-long learning. -utilizes variety of appropriate teaching strategies and differentiates instruction as needed. -teaches compensatory strategies and techniques that accommodate to individual learning needs. -helps individuals cope with learning challenges through demystifying learning differences. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -focus is on improving grades. -uses traditional teaching methods to reach academic goals.
Training Requirements:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -extensive and rigorous training in the psychology of learning disorders, assessment, and intensive intervention strategies that address the social and emotional aspects which impact learning. -includes previous experience that is specific to learning differences and addresses a diverse variety of client needs. -certification by the Association of Educational Therapists (AET), which has set professional requirements, including academic criteria, standards of ethical practice, and continuing education requirements. <p>Learn more about AET's standards here www.AETonline.org</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -does not necessarily include training in learning disabilities, specific syndromes, assessments, appropriate interventions or case management. -skills vary from one individual to another, making generalizations difficult to establish.