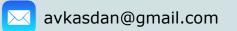
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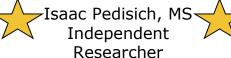




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Aphasia-friendly research summaries

Abstract / Summary

• Aphasia Groups help people with aphasia

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• In Tennessee, we have had an Aphasia Group

for a long time

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- · Here, we share:
 - How our group works
 - What people like about it
- We want to:
 - Teach people about Aphasia Groups
 - Help other groups get started





Tutorial

A Practical Guide to Translating Scientific Publications Into Aphasia-Friendly Summaries

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FAQ

- ▶ Who is Article Friend for?
- ► Who is Article Friend NOT for?
- ▶ Why do you need to authenticate my Google account in order for me to use Article Friend?

Article Friend is for...

researchers with content expertise

Article Friend is **not** for...

public use individuals without research expertise

* Article Friend is still being optimized and refined

Future Directions



expand to aphasia-friendly summaries of full-length articles



incorporate consumer feedback



design specific supports for different levels of aphasia severity



customize for different populations

