# Suggested Answers to Discussion Topics, Chapter 40, Caring for People With Developmental Disabilities

| Suggested Answers for Topics for Discussion | Learning Objectives |
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| 1a. Students’ responses should include the following:  * You will need to learn how Sharon communicates. * You will need to find out Sharon’s abilities to do basic self-care tasks. * You will need to find out if Sharon can walk. * You will need to know if they have other physical disabilities.  1b. Students’ responses should include the following:  * You will need to rely on your observation skills. * Sharon may employ nonverbal communication techniques that you will need to be observing for. | 3, 4 |
| 2a. Students’ responses should include the following:  * Geraldine is going through puberty. * Hormonal changes are influencing their sexual drive.  2b. Students’ responses should include the following:  * Geraldine needs education about appropriate sexual behaviors. * They need guidance to learn about appropriate touch. * You must be observant for any signs of suspected sexual abuse and report them to the nurse immediately. | 2, 3, 4 |