Perceptions vs intentions

Overcoming misconceptions of autism



Neurotypical people may misjudge autistic people's communication and interactions, when actually...

We may
appear as
though we are
not listening,
but we are just
managing sensory
distractions.

We often just tend to be direct.

We often prefer deep conversations to small talk.

We may have difficulty differentiating or controlling our tone of voice.

We may correct you because we value honesty and facts.

We may show empathy by telling a story about ourselves.



We may have difficulty reading between the lines, so we ask questions to clarify, not to be argumentative.