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(57) Abstract: Each of a plurality of desired behaviors is associated with a corresponding positive point value, and each of a plurality of undesired behaviors is associated with a corresponding negative point value. A behavior tracking manager tracks behaviors performed by a subject over a defined period of time. The behavior tracking manager automatically calculates a point total based on the behaviors performed by the subject during the defined time period. The behavior tracking manager, in a subsequent defined period of time, automatically allocates consequences to the subject based on the point total earned during the previous period of time. Each of a plurality of levels can be associated with a corresponding point cost, and the behavior tracking manager can automatically assigning an appropriate level to the subject, based on the point total earned during the previous period of time.

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