

Setting Up Your AAC

Page set up:

- Choose the right number of icons per page.
- Choose **relevant** and **salient** words.
 - Focus on nouns and verbs.
 - Use real photographs.
- Program the pages in a **consistent** format:
 - Set it up like a sentence: Agents, verbs, nouns.
 - **Keep core words in the same location.**
 - Leave blank spaces to add icons without changing the format.

Tips for using:

- It is important that you **model communication** on the iPad.
 - When you model language, say the word and then press the corresponding icon.
 - Model both commenting and requesting.
- Use the same system in all environments (home, school, therapy).
- **Keep it functional and successful for your child and family.**
 - Start with fewer pages or icons per page and build up.
 - Keep expectations clear: limit use of iPad from games or videos.