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Flexible Communication Tools in TD Snap

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Get Ready to Learn….

- The communication tools needed to provide a robust system
- The strategies for implementing use of these communication tools
- The resources needed to support success for the communicator

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Flexible Communication Tools

Core Words

Word Lists

Keyboards

Topics

QuickFires

CLASSIC
サッポロ
クラシック
ONLY
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Flexible Communication Tools

Novel Communication Tools

Formulaic Communication Tools

Flexible Communication Tools

- Core words can be used in a variety of contexts

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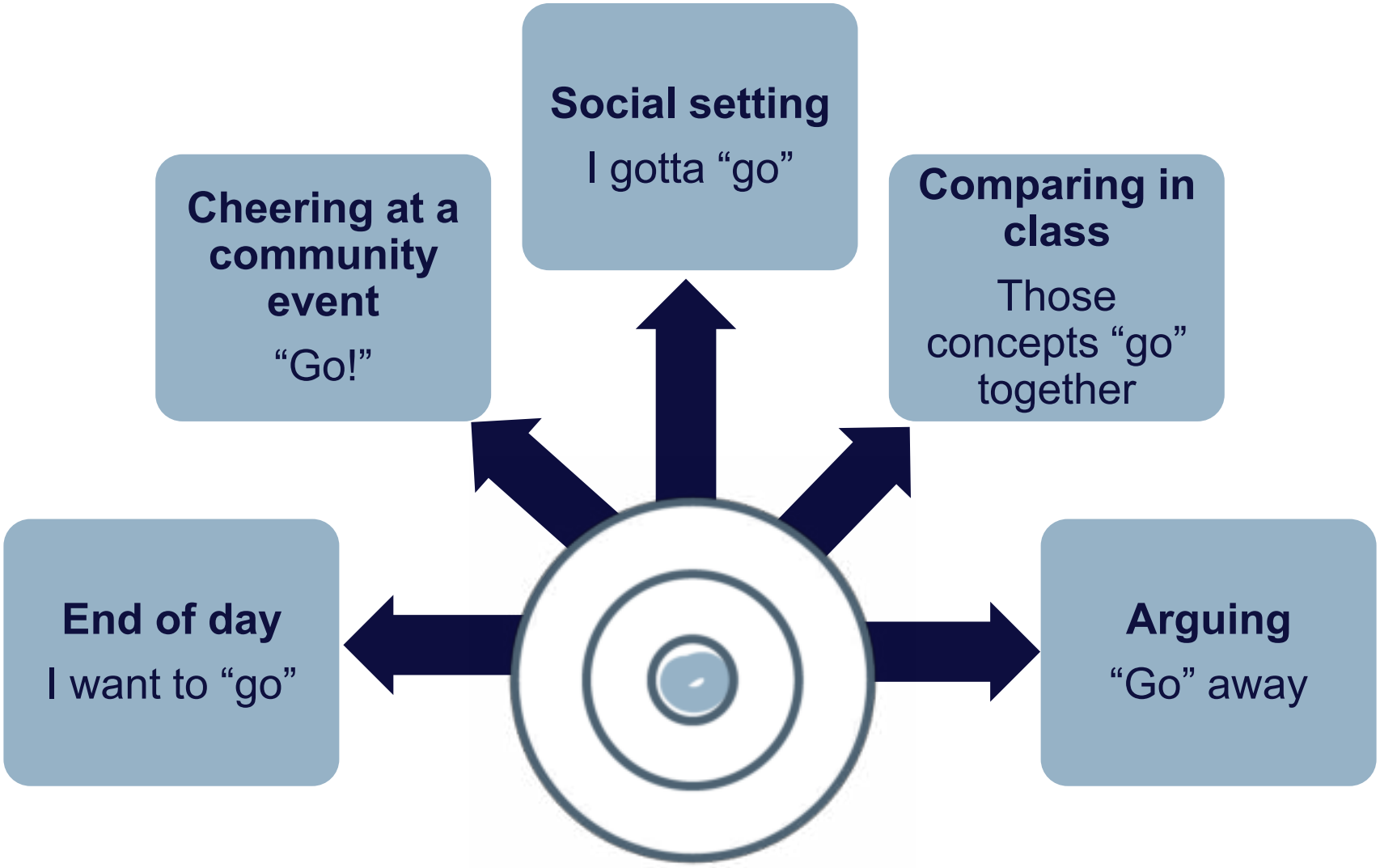
Core Words are flexible.



Flexible Communication Tools

Word Lists provide vocabulary that is specific to a topic, environment, or individual

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Word Lists are flexible.

Flexible Communication Tools

Keyboards target literacy skills at any level.

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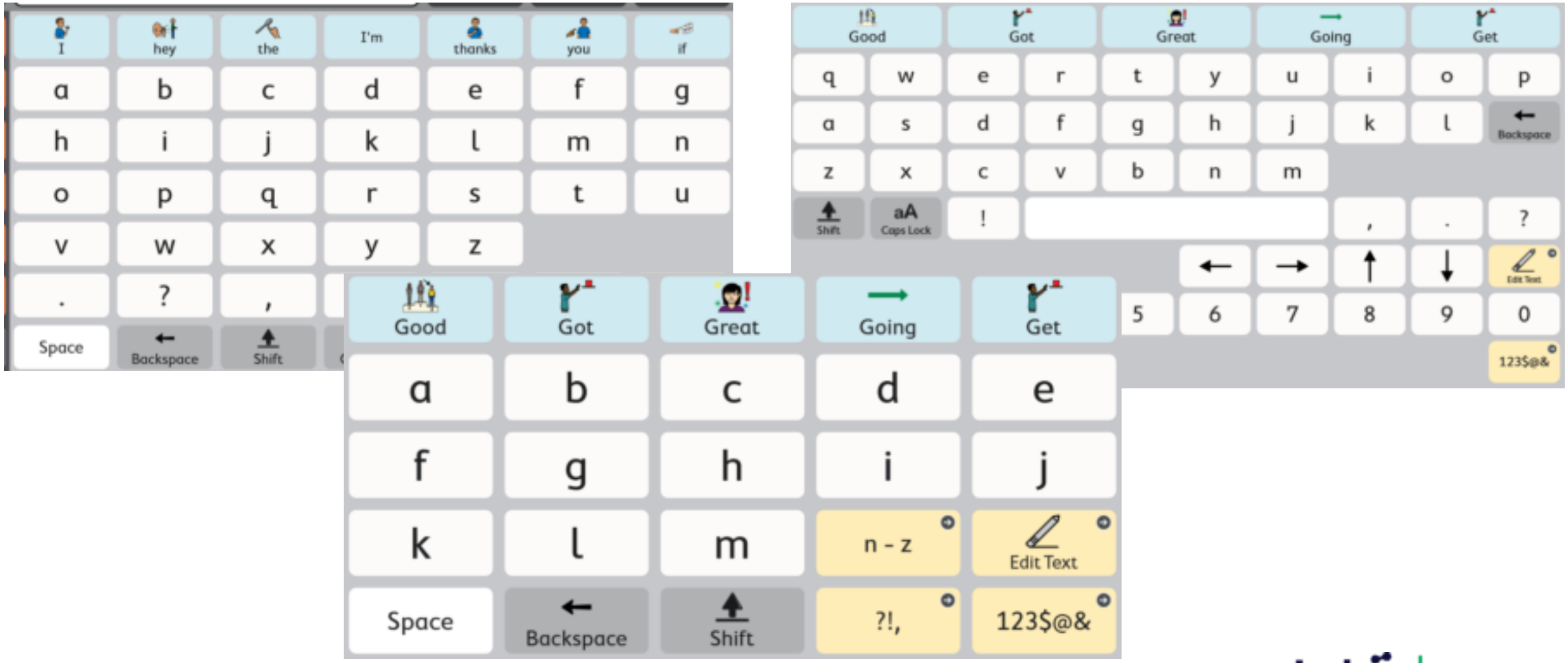
Keyboards are flexible.



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Flexible Communication Tools

Topics provide efficient access to motivating phrases.

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Topics are flexible.

You like music?	You listen to?	Favorite band?	Hear me play?	Topic Words
Listen to music	On/off	Change volume	Again	Supports
Done with music	All types of music	Favorite song [ ]	Want to sing	Want to dance
Like music	Excellent!	Love it!	Don't like	Lame
Your Message				

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Flexible Communication Tools

QuickFires act as conversation starters, fillers, and turn-taking messages.

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QuickFires are flexible.

Greeting & Social	Personal Needs	Feelings	Questions	My Phrases
Dad	Mom	Yes	No	Ok
Don't	No way	Good	Bad	Really
Wait	I don't know	Hey	Look	Come here
Please	Thank you	Sorry	You're welcome	Excuse me

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Let's See The Tools in Action!

Core Words

Word Lists

Keyboards

Topics

QuickFires

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Now What?: Implementing the tools

Implementing the Tools

Modeling

Creating a Positive Communication Environment

Recognizing Success

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What is modeling?

Modeling is using the communication system while YOU interact and talk with the AAC communicator.

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Why model?

AAC communicators need to see and hear other people speaking in their own modality.

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Modeling Top Tips

Touch and speak

Use key words

Remove demands

Make mistakes

Think out loud

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What is a positive communication environment?

Fostering positive attitudes and strategies to help AAC communicators feel safe and encouraged.

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Creating a Positive Communication Environment Tips

- Respond to all attempts
- Assume competence
- Focus on use
- Wait
- Provide support when needed
- Address challenges

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How Can we Recognize Success?

Recognize success as it applies to natural interactions.

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Signs of Success

- Increased attention
- Increased imitation
- Longer or varied interactions
- More enjoyment
- Increased use of AAC
- Increased initiation

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Let's discuss: Does this change the way you'll approach measuring progress?

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You Can Do It!: Implementing resources

Implementing Resources

Communication Book

Core First Learning Books and Lessons

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Communication Book

Introduce communication tools right away

Provide for all communication partners for modeling

Use where it may be inconvenient to have a device

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