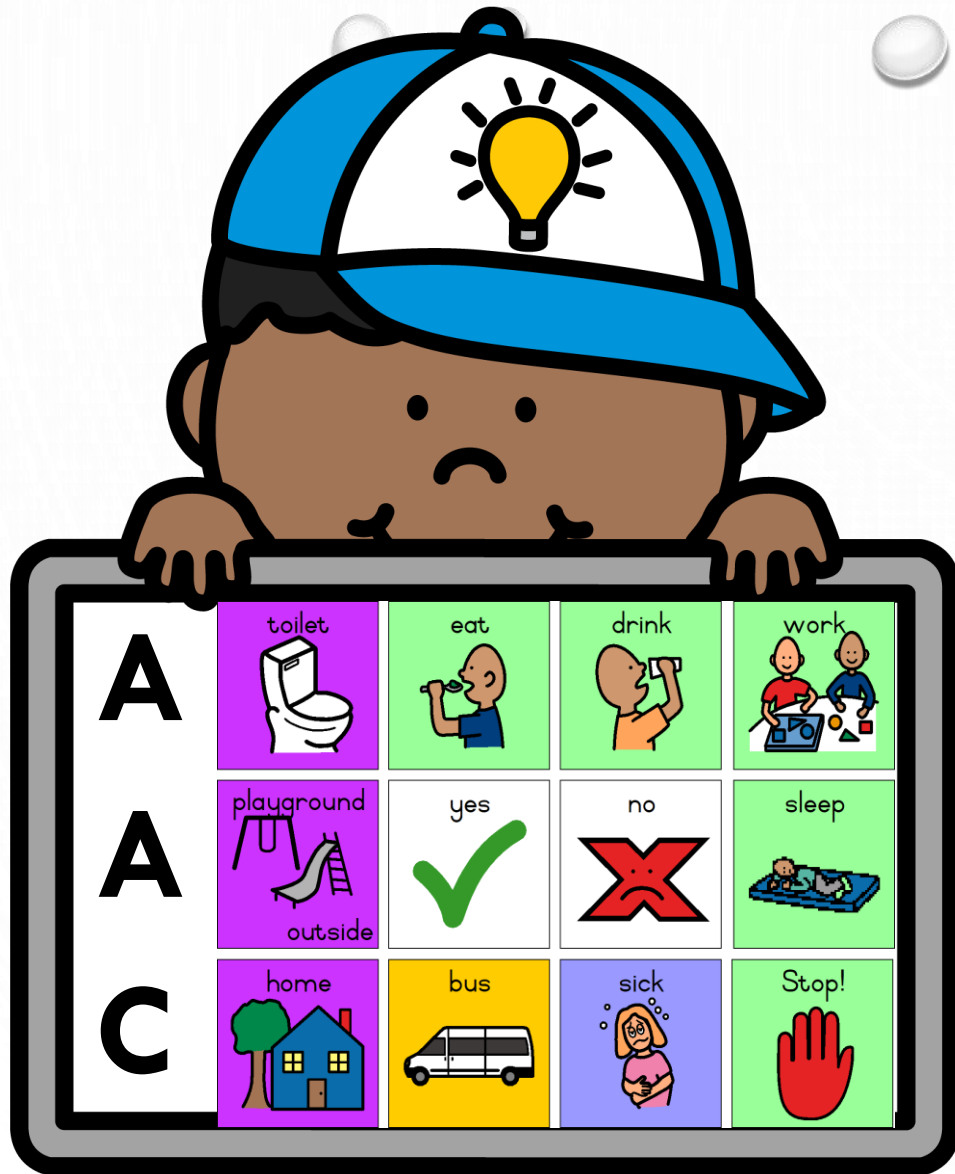


OCTOBER IS AAC AWARENESS MONTH



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'Just because I don't speak,
doesn't mean I don't have
anything to say'



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Visual
supports
help children
with Autism!



How?

- They help parents communicate better with their child.
(improve understanding)
- They help the child communicate better with other people.

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Visual supports can
be photographs,
pictures, symbols
and text.

So...
What is
AAC?



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Augmentative

To add on....

A

Alternative

Another way....

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Communication



AAC is any system that can be used

- As an alternative to speech
- To be added on to speech

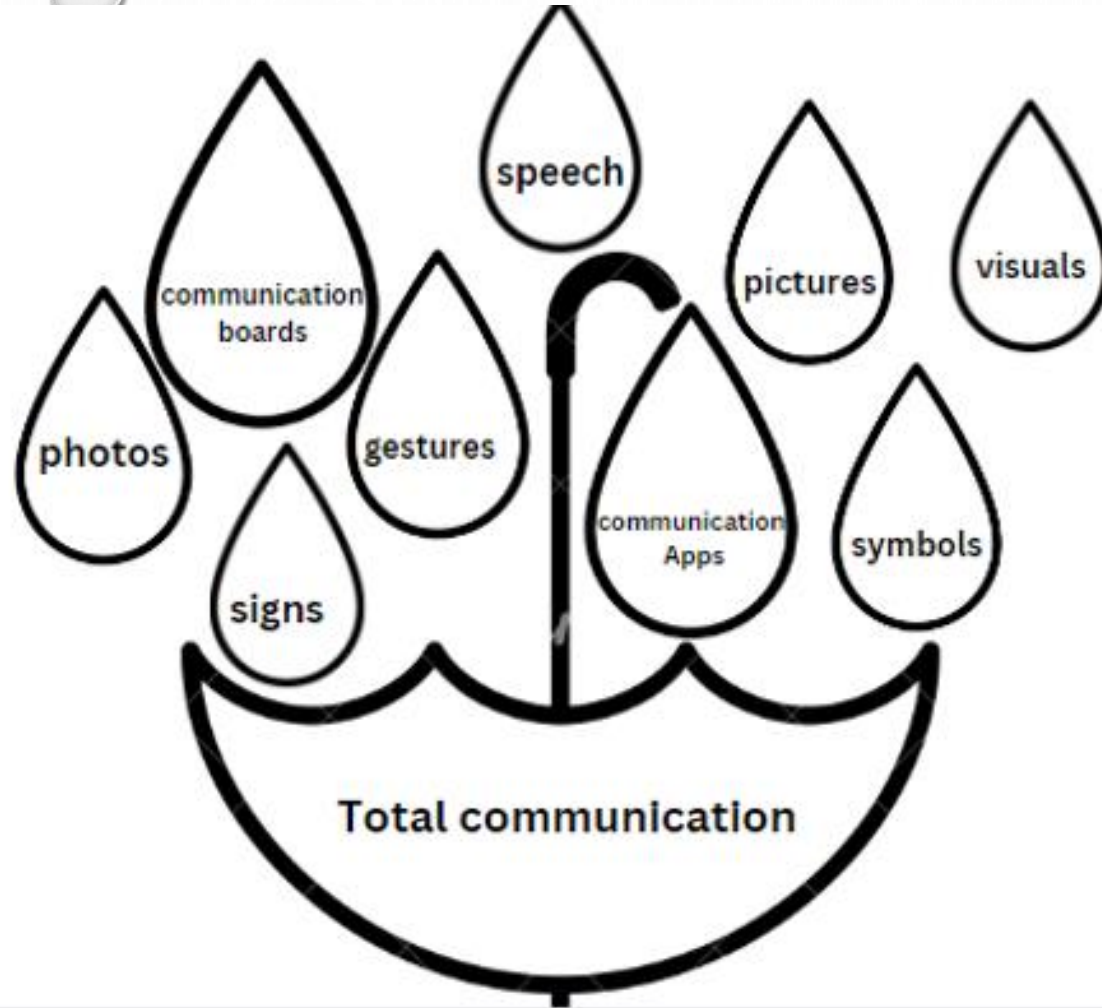


At Curamus we use a TOTAL COMMUNICATION APPROACH



I say it with my words, my face, my
body, my hands and my
communication board or device!

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My AAC device is
my VOICE



Tips to use an AAC System for Parents and Teachers



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1. Keep it close and always available.

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2. Keep it charged.

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3. Become familiar with the AAC system.

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4. Use it to speak to your child. (Model)

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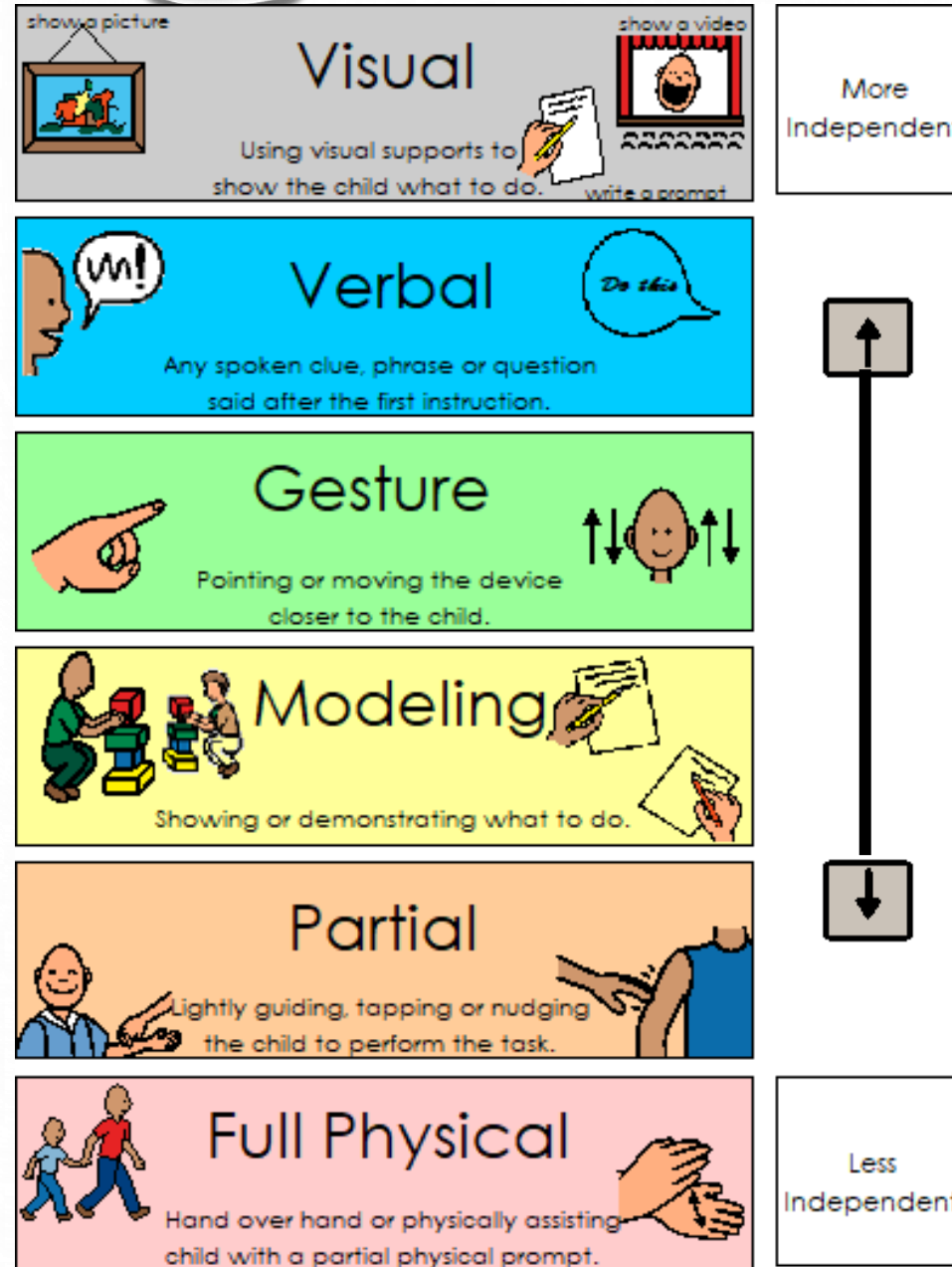
5. Encourage, but do not force AAC system use.

HOW
do I assist
someone
using AAC?

Give me
prompts!



AAC Prompt Hierarchy



HOW
can I assist
someone
using AAC?



Model for me!
Show me how
you use it

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Parents and teachers should use the AAC system themselves when talking to the child or family members.

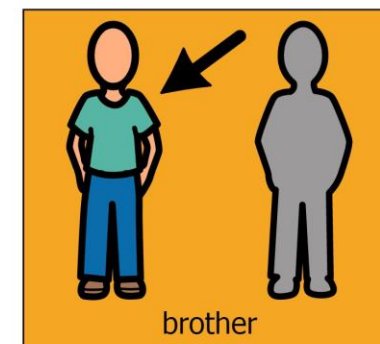
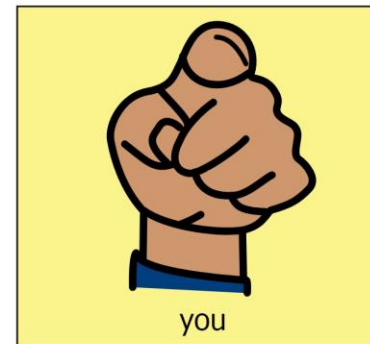
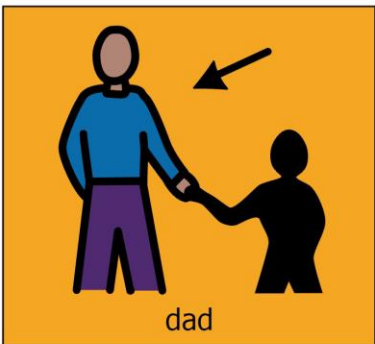
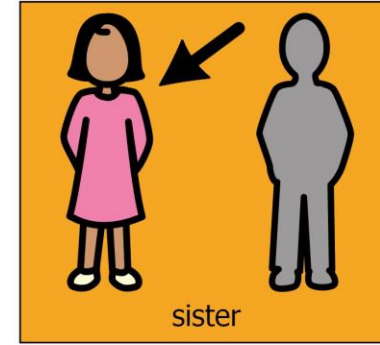
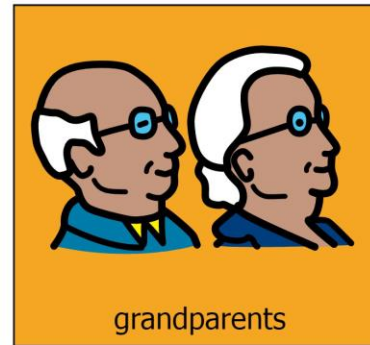
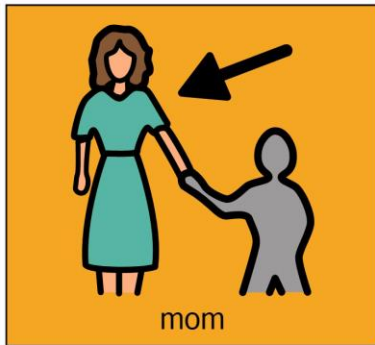
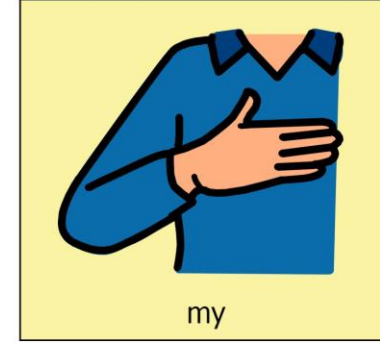
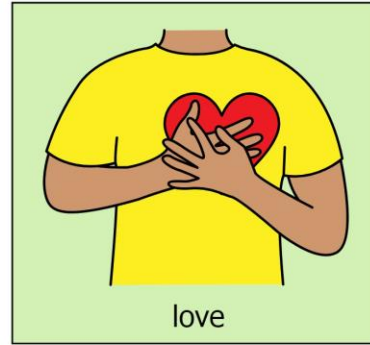
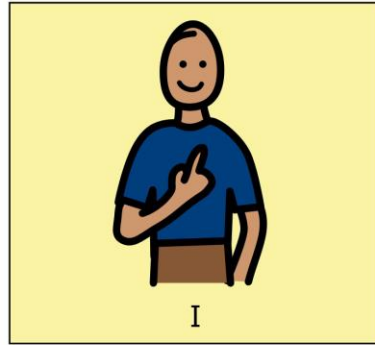


**Your child has
a message for
you.**



Please look for
the AAC board in
the message
book.

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AAC AWARENESS: Example of a communication board.
Enjoy an 'AAC' conversation with your child. He/ she has a message for you.

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