





"Repetition with Variety"

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- Do different activities, but keep the vocabulary constant
 - · Use the same core words throughout the day
 - Keep those words in the same spot
- · Do the same activity, but vary the target vocabulary
 - Making a smoothie
- Change one thing at a time, not both

 - When learning at a time, not both
 When learning about 'go', systematically introduce new
 situations where we can say 'go'
 When making a smoothie for the first time, introduce 'in'
 and 'on'. The second time around, introduce 'cold' and
 'yum'.



Core = Variety

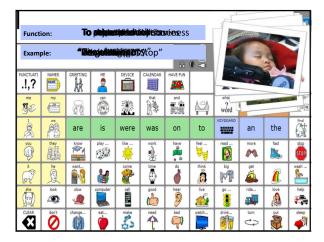
- Variety of Word Classes

 - Pronouns: I, you, it, my, me, mine
 Verbs: do, go, put, make, get, like, work
 Negation: not, don't

 - Prepositions: in, on, off, out, down
 Question words: what, where

 - · Modifiers: some, more
- Variety of Communicative Functions

 - Direct actions go out
 Reject don't like
 Ask for information what that?
 - · Share information min
 - Request want some
 Comment like it





"Give Core, Get Language" Bruce Baker

- · Core allows you to...
 - · generate novel messages
 - · diversify the individual's vocabulary
 - teach a variety of pragmatic functions/reasons to communicate
 - · teach grammar
 - increase MLU

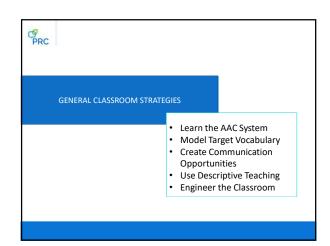


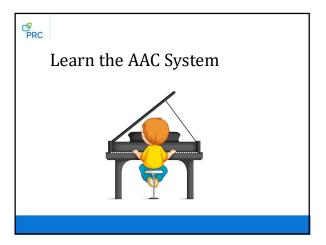
Pop Quiz! True or false...

- Core words are statistically used more
- Cookie, dog and car are examples of core words.
- Individuals should not have access to nouns.











Learn the AAC System

- It's difficult to teach something you don't know.
- Know how to find words on the AAC system.
 - Understand the architecture and organization
 - Explore the device
 - Take a class offered by the manufacturer
 Use Word Finder
- Learn with your student.
 - Think aloud while learning
 - "I don't know where the word *clean* is on your talker as in *clean* up. Let's go on a hunt and find it. Let's look under bathtub because we get clean in the bath. There it is, *clean*."



Model Target Vocabulary

- Provide an example of a behavior without expecting a response.
- · Learning "He should" with Pogg
- Model different reasons for communicating
 - Make a comment "awesome"
 - Describe something "cold"
 - Ask a question "Who?"

(Drager et al., 2006) (Roth , F. & Worthington, C., 2001)



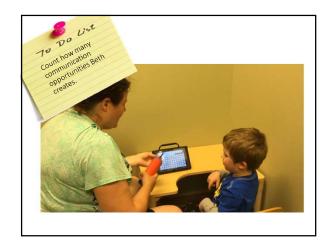




Create Communication Opportunities

Planning for communication opportunities in every aspect of speech-language (communication) therapy helps ensure productive use of time and effort for both clinician and learner. It is not enough to talk to a student, it is not enough to provide fun activities without lots of opportunity for active participation and more specifically communication initiation. Another word for communication initiation. Another word for communication initiation/opportunities is communication temptations. Communication temptations are structured situations designed to entice a variety of specific communication functions or semantic relations (Wetherby, 1988). There needs to be lots of times where there is targeted modeling and then a specific, obvious reason for the learner to be the initiator of communication. A temptation to communicate.







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"One of the biggest barriers to Language Learning in our classrooms is that we tend to focus on rote memory of the main vocabulary words instead of understanding concepts."

Robin Hurd

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Need: Opportunities to learn concepts, not just memorize vocabulary words.

Use Descriptive Teaching

Referential

- The target is referential.
- The target is usually fringe vocabulary which may or may not be in the student's AAC system.
- It sounds like a quiz question and typically only has one right answer.
- For example
 - What is the season?

Descriptive

- The target is a descriptive response.
- The target is usually core vocabulary which is typically found pre-stored in the AAC system.
- It sounds like an open-ended statement and invites a variety of responses.
- For example
 Tell me what it looks like outside today.
 Tell me something about winter/spring/summer/fall.



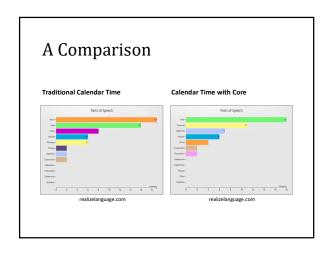
Use Descriptive Teaching

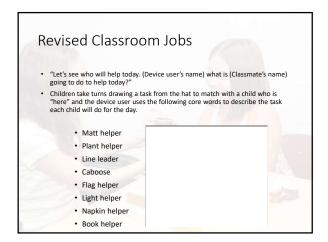
- · It is important to understand the meaning of referential vocabulary, but it is **not always necessary to store these words** in a device.
- Descriptive teaching allows the student to demonstrate understanding and gives a teacher better feedback about progress and comprehension.

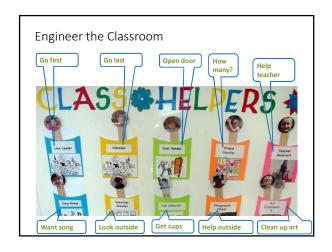
Traditional Calendar Time

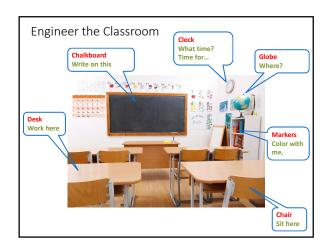
- Today is_
- Yesterday was _
- Tomorrow will be
- · What is the weather?
- What is the season?
- · What do you need to wear?
- Who is here? Who is not here?

Revised Calendar Time • Who knows what today is? • Tell me 'stop' when I am pointing to Tuesday. • Tell me something about today (Tuesday). • Tell me what it looks like outside today. • Tell me what we can do on a snowy day. • Why did you have to wear mittens and boots today? • Tell me something about winter/spring/summer/fall. • Is Janet here or not here?

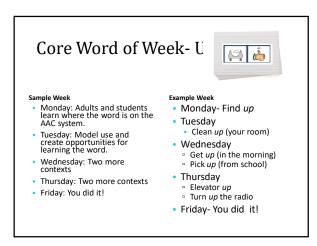




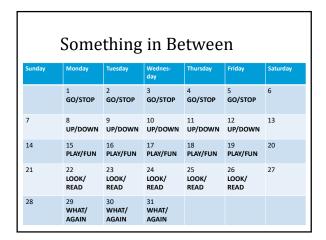


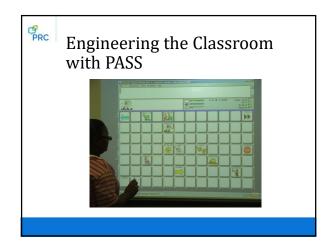


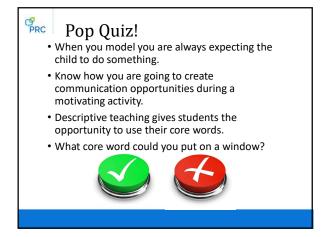
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednes- day	Thursday	Friday	Saturday			
	1 GO	2 GO	3 GO	4 GO	5 GO	6			
7	8 UP	9 UP	10 UP	11 UP	12 UP	13			
14	15 PLAY	16 PLAY	17 PLAY	18 PLAY	19 PLAY	20			
21	22 STOP	23 STOP	24 STOP	25 STOP	26 STOP	27			
28	29 MORE	30 MORE	31 MORE						

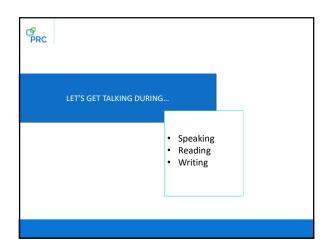


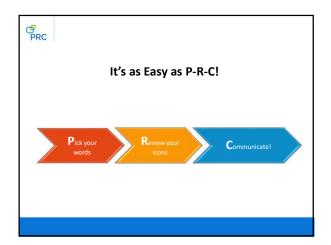
Word of the Day									
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednes- day	Thursday	Friday	Saturday			
	1 GO	2 UP	3 PLAY	4 STOP	5 FUN	6			
7	8 READY	9 AGAIN	10 LOOK	11 PUT	12 YUCK	13			
14	15 LOOK	16 FEEL	17 MORE	18 WHAT	19 READ	20			
21	22 HELP	23 WET	24 CLEAN	25 ALL DONE	26 PUT	27			
28	29 TURN	30 ON	31 OFF						

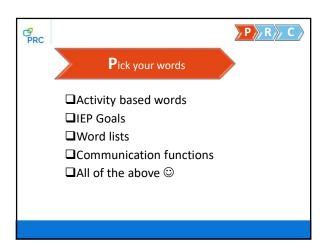


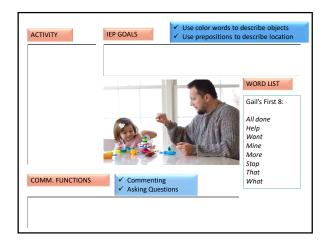


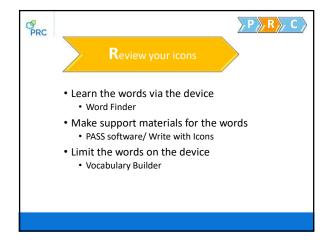


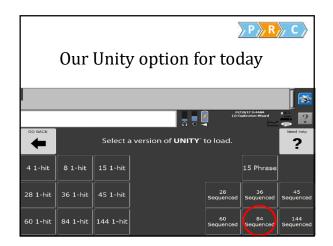


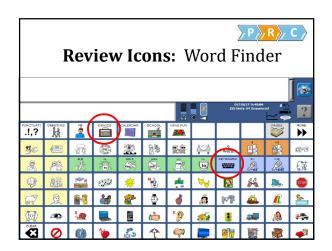


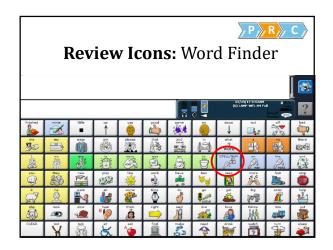


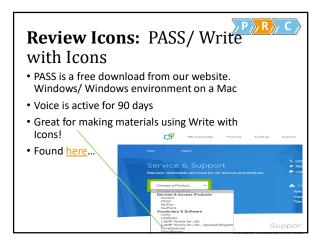




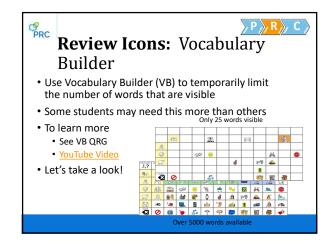








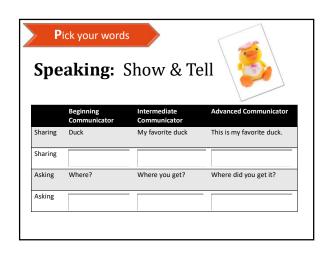


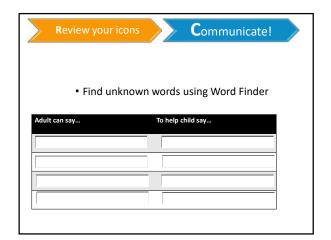




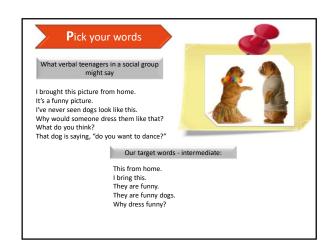


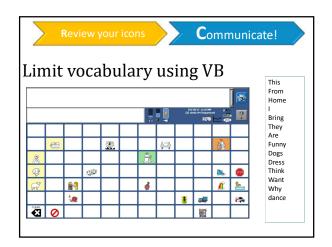




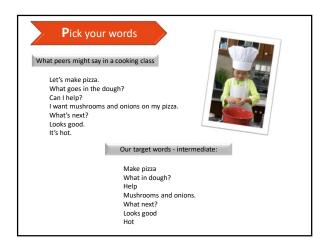


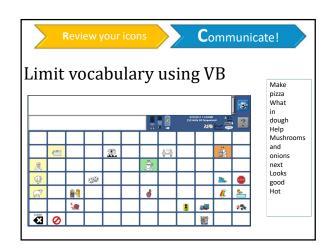


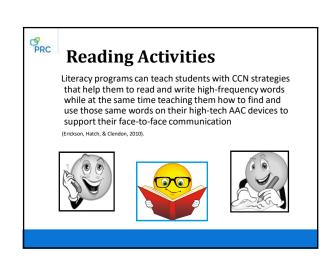


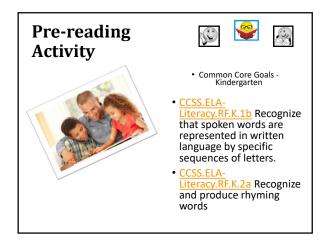


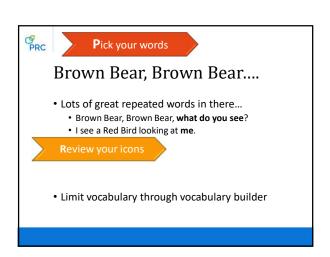


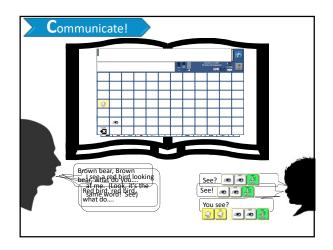


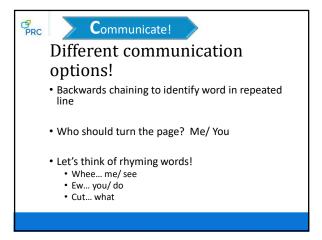


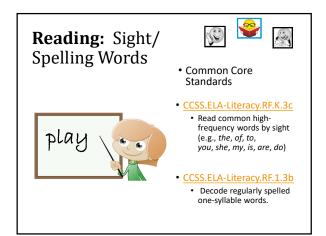


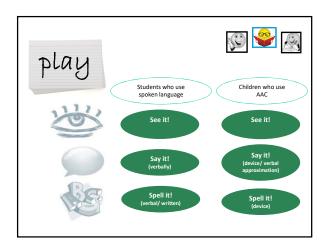


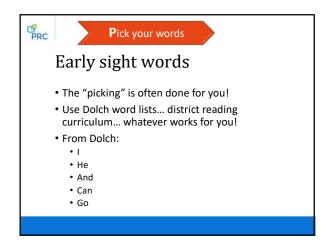


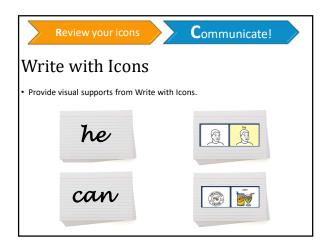








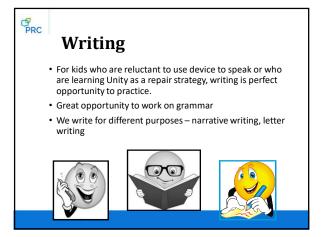


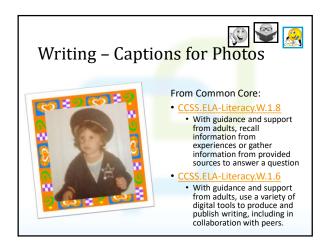




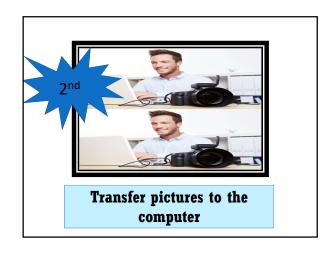
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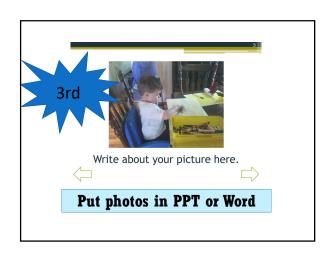
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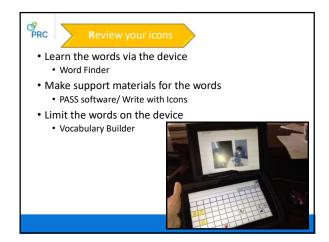






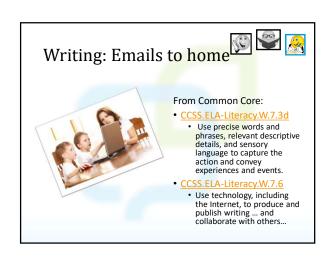


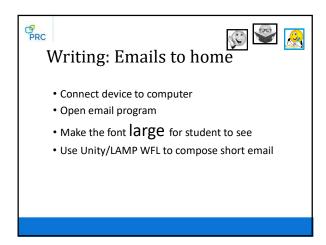


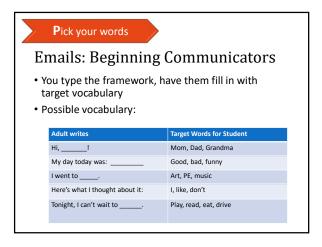


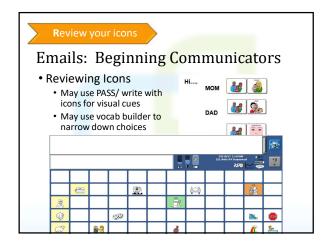


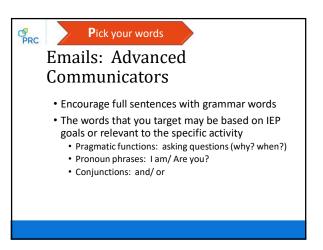




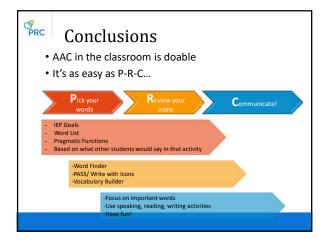














Thank you!

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