

Aided Language Communication Boards

These are an augmentative and alternate communication (AAC) strategy for creating a functional communication system. They can be tailored to meet the specific requirements for individuals with complex communication needs.

Our ALC boards are colour coded based on the 'Modified Fitzgerald Key' - a system of using colour-coded display designs within an AAC system to increase visual access and linguistic relationships.

The ALC boards aim to empower individuals to communicate effectively, participate more fully in activities, and engage meaningfully with others in their environment.

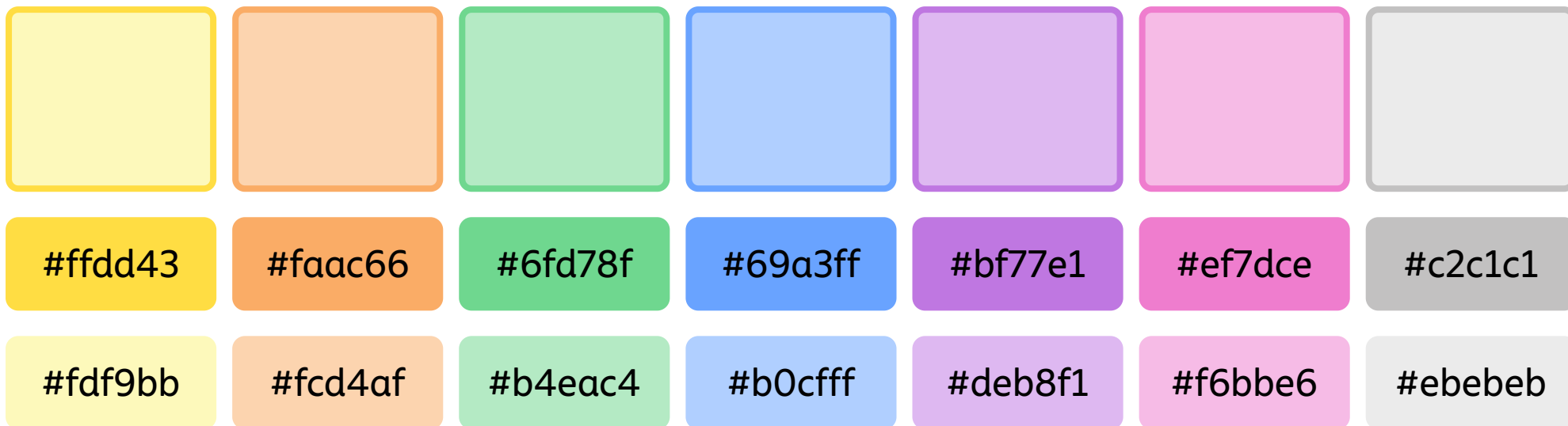
The boards incorporate the use of core vocabulary, such as "want", "go", "like" and these form the backbone of the communication boards and can be combined with other symbols to create a wide range of sentences.

By incorporating meaningful and motivating words (including the core vocabulary), it supports individuals with exposure to and comprehension of symbols for effective communication in various contexts. Therefore allowing them to apply these in practical ways in order to engage in functional interactions with others, such as requesting items, sharing experiences, asking questions and expressing opinions.

Ref: Thistle & Wilkinson, 2009

Fitzgerald, E., 1954

 people	 objects	 actions	 describing	 questions	 phrases	 little words
e.g. he, she, them, woman, doctor, teacher	e.g. book, bubbles, chair, biscuit	e.g. want, go, play, help, open, stand	e.g. more, hungry, fast, fun, blue	e.g. what, who, why, can, I	e.g. wow, uh oh	e.g. in, out, on, and, up, down, though



When you have completed your ALC board you can change the colours for the borders and backgrounds of each cell using the colour map above as a reference.

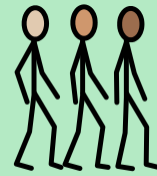
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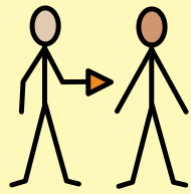
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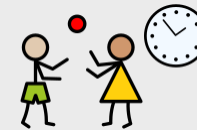
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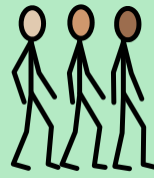
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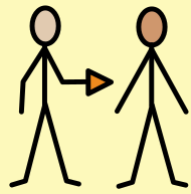
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drink



lunch box



you



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help



bag



fruit



good



like



bell



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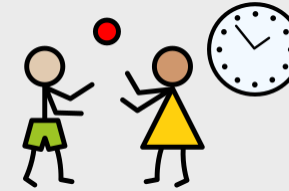
more



not



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playtime



home