



AAC Modeling Quick Guide



Book: One Wonderful You

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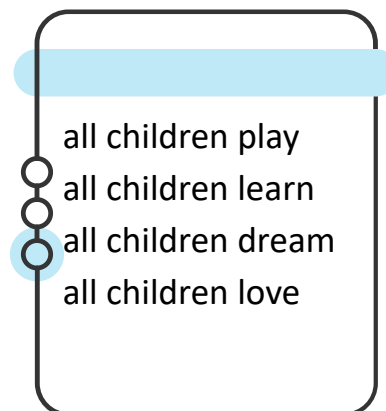
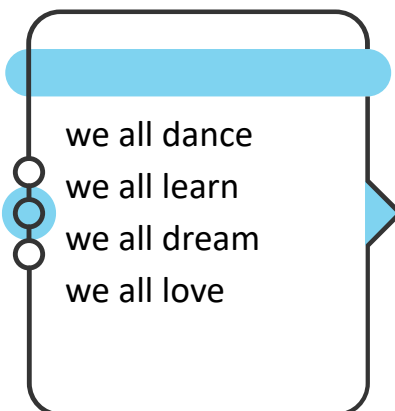
1-WORD MODELS



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QUICK TIPS

Speak in full sentences and model only the key target words on the AAC system.
Example: "Look at the **children**. We **all play** in different ways. What do **you play**?"



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When you see...



Try modeling...

Children playing

play | we play | we playball

Children dancing

dance | we dance | we all dance

Children learning

learn | we learn | we all learn

Children showing love

love | love children | I love all children

Children around the world

children | all children | all children play



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One Wonderful You

Word	Symbols
all	DETERMINERS all
and	CONJUNCTIONS 1+1=2 and 1+1=2
dance	MORE DANCE dance
don't	HELPING VERB N'T
dream	THINK DREAM dream
learn	THINK LEARN learn
love	LOVE love
play	PLAY play
we	WE we
you	YOU you





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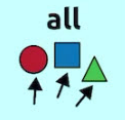
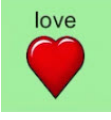
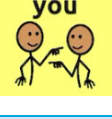
One Wonderful You

Word	Symbols
ball	PLAY  ball 
box	PUT  MORE  box 
children	FAMILY  PEOPLE  children 
tablet	COMPUTER  MORE  tablet 
things	WANT  things 
world	FIND  world 
same	MAKE  SAME  same 





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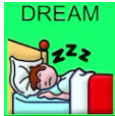
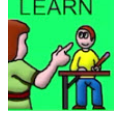
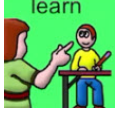
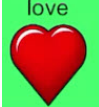


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world			
same			



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all	all  all 
and	and  and 
dance	more  DANCE  dance 
don't	not  don't 
dream	think  DREAM  dream 
learn	think  LEARN  learn 
love	love  love 
play	play  play 
we	we  we 
you	you  you 



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Word	Symbols
ball	play  TOYS  ball 
box	put  box 
children	follow  children 
iPad	find  lpad 
things	want  things 
world	end  world 
same	make  same 



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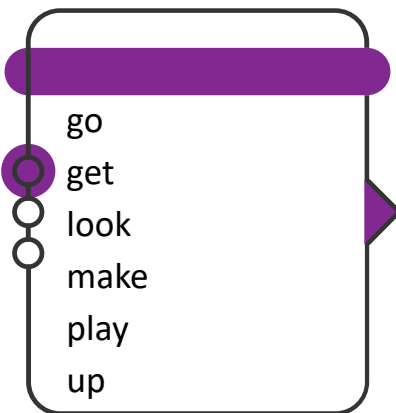


Book: My Shadow

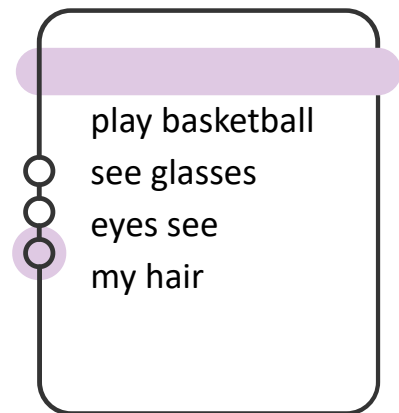
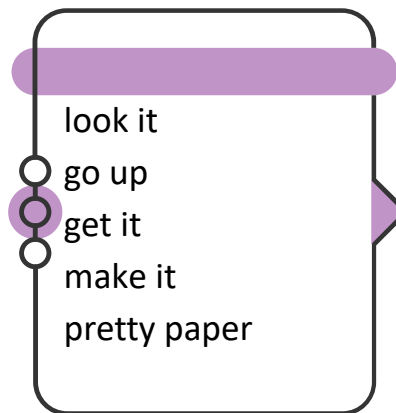
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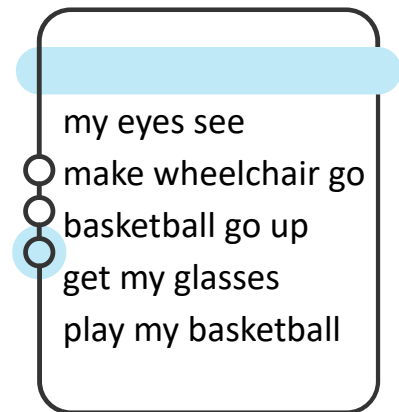
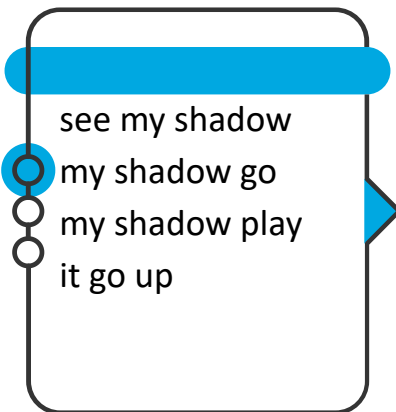
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 When you see...	 Try modeling...
The shadow first appear	shadow my shadow see my shadow
The shadow dances	play it play see it play
The shadow wakes up	up get up it go up
Personal features and assistive devices	eyes eyes see eyes see glasses
The children play outside	go go play go play basketball



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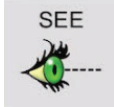
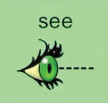
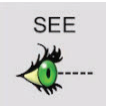
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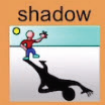
My Shadow

Word	Symbols
get	 GET  get
go	 GO  go
it	 IT  it
look	 LOOK  look
make	 MAKE  make
my	 I  my
play	 PLAY  play
see	 LOOK  SEE  see
up	 PREPOSITIONS  SEE



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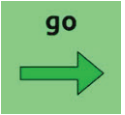
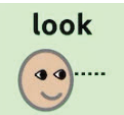
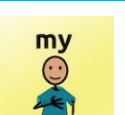
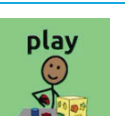
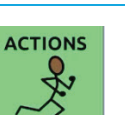
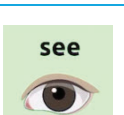
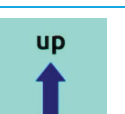
My Shadow

Word	Symbols
basketball	FAST  basketball 
eyes	WASH  MORE  eye 
glasses	DO  glasses 
hair	WASH  MORE  hair 
hearing aid	HELP  ASST TECH  hearing aid 
shadow	GET  shadow 
wheelchair	HELP  ASST TECH  wheelchair 





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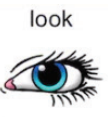
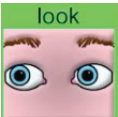
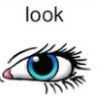
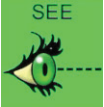
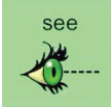


My Shadow

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eyes			eye 	eyes
glasses			glasses 	
hair			hair 	
hearing aid			hearing aid 	
wheelchair			wheelch 	

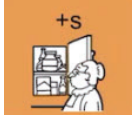


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glasses	off  glasses 
hair	off  hair 
hearing aid	sit  ASST  hearing aid 
shadow	get  shadow 
wheelchair	sit  wheelchair 