
A YEAR OF WORDS: UNITY[®] 144

In this folder you will find materials to help you teach a core vocabulary of 144 words over a year using the Unity 144 vocabulary program. These have been chosen to provide a spread of useful, high-frequency words that are used by different populations across different situations.

CALENDAR

This is a 12-page set of grids that you can print out, laminate, and use month by month. You may even want to share it among all the people who come into contact with your client. It can also be used as a checklist, where you cross off each word as it is learned.

CHEAT SHEETS

Use the monthly Cheat Sheets if you simply want to hand out a list of the words and their sequences. Print out as many as you like and use them as you like. If you want to cut out symbols sequences and add them to books so your client can “read” the words, all you need do is print out on some sticker paper.

WORD LISTS TO IMPORT

This folder contains each monthly word list as TXT files, which means you can import them into your device and use them with the Vocabulary Builder feature. All PRC Accent devices have this feature and most other PRC devices do, too.

EMBELLISHED ICONS

These materials have been created with the PRC embellished icons feature turned OFF. This reduces the total number of icons needed to be learned.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The “Year of Words” is based on original work by Carole Zangari, who runs and owns the wonderful *PrAACtical* AAC web site <http://practicalaac.org>, a treasure trove of ideas and suggestions based on Carole’s wealth of experience in the field of AAC.

If you have any ideas, suggestions, and comments, feel free to contact Russell Cross, at free.writer@gmail.com or speechdudes@gmail.com



A Year of Words



Individuals who are learning to use their AAC systems need lots of practice on their core vocabulary words. This packet contains 12 grids of core words, one for each month. Speech-language pathologists, educators, and families can keep the grid of the month handy, and use it as a reminder of which words to focus on for that month. Over the year, you will have given the AAC learner focused practice on 144 words that will help them communicate effectively across many environments and activities.

How to Use: This document is designed for the 144-location version of Unity® 144 v.2.00 so make sure that's what you have in your device. Before the start of the month, insert the appropriate AAC symbol in each box and print the grid. Keep it handy as you provide focused language stimulation on those 12 words throughout the month. You may also want to share copies with the family and other team members.

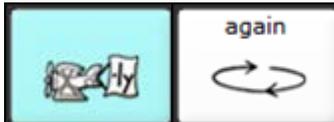
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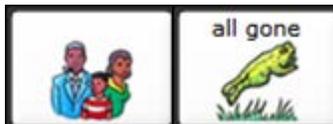
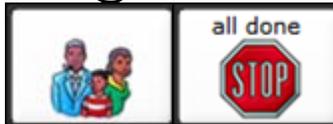
For more information on semantic intervention for individuals with significant communication challenges see the Vocabulary Instruction Round-Up at <http://bit.ly/SKQP5W> and a Pinterest board with activity ideas (<http://bit.ly/ZJVOqK>).

JANUARY WORDS

again



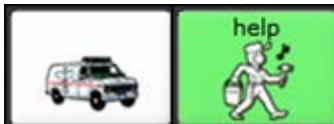
all done/all gone



different



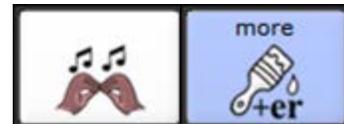
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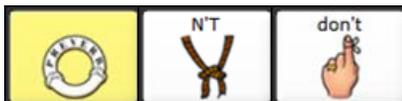
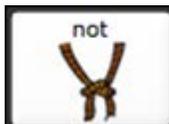
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more



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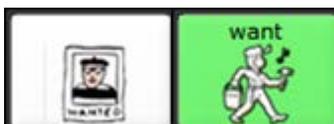
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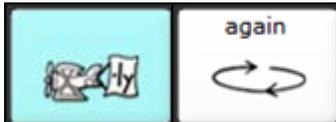


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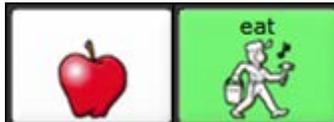


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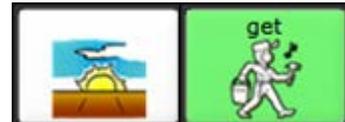
again



eat



get



go



happy



here



I/me



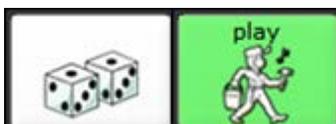
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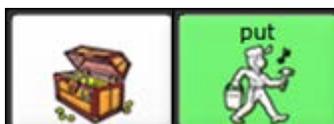
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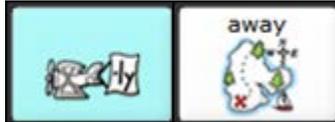


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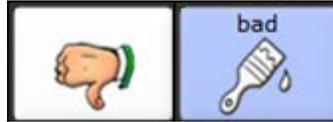


MARCH WORDS

away



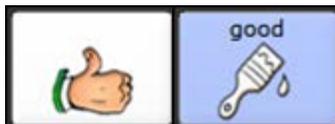
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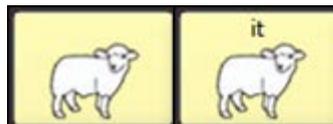
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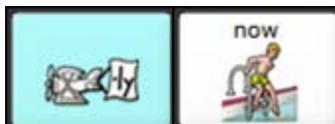
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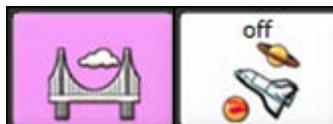
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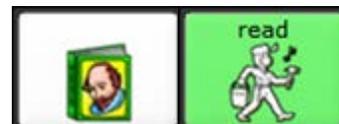
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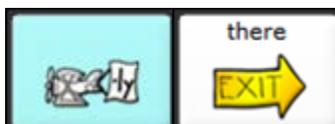
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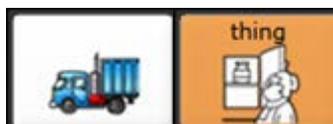
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there



thing



where



APRIL WORDS

big



busy



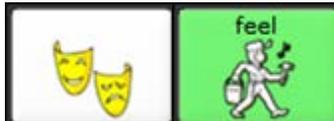
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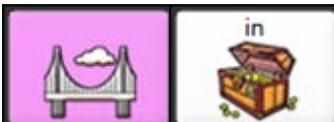
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he



in



make



out



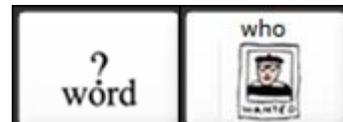
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who

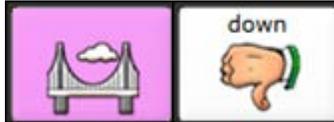


MAY WORDS

all



down



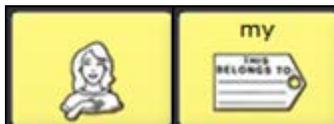
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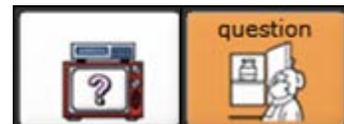
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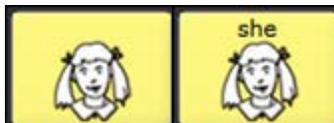
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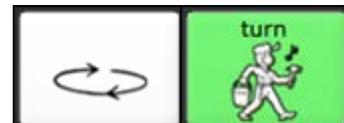
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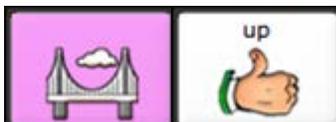
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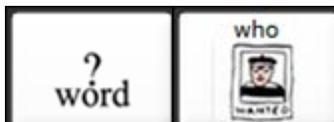
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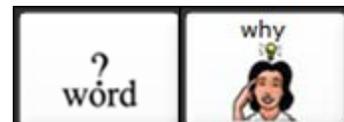
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who

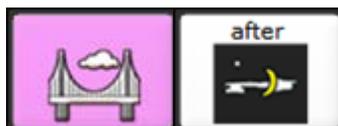


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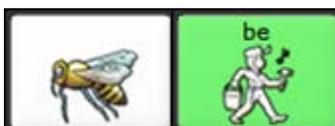
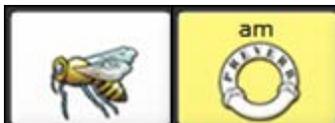


JUNE WORDS

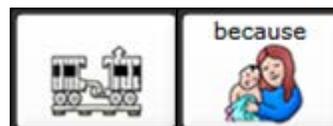
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am/is/be



because



can



cold



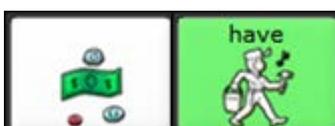
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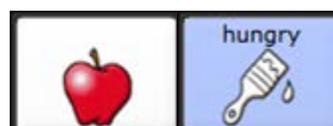
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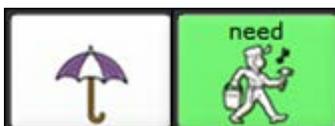
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let/let's



need

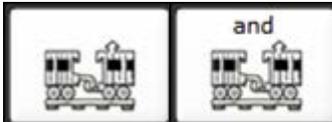


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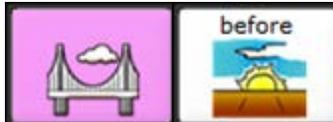


JULY WORDS

and



before



color



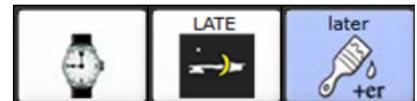
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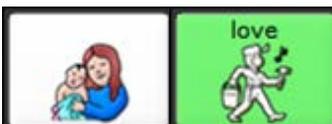
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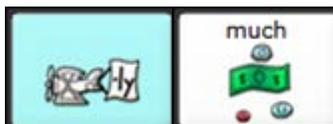
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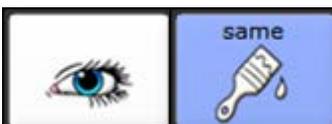
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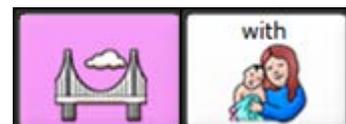
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with



AUGUST WORDS

any



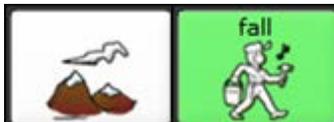
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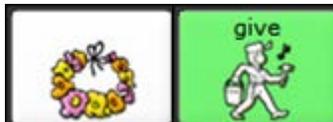
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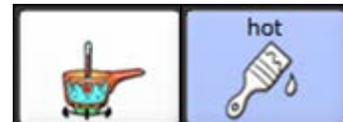
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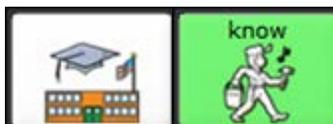
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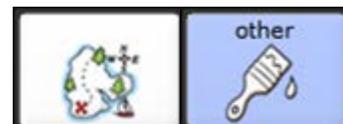
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know



other



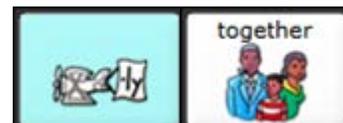
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sorry

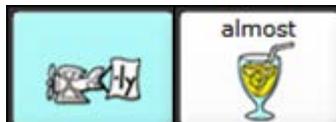


together



SEPTEMBER WORDS

almost



call



listen



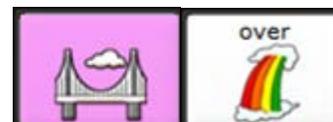
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nice



over



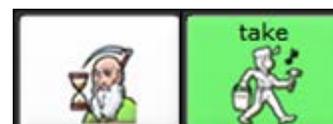
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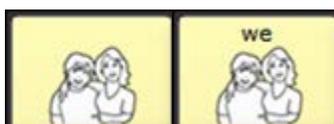
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time



we



write



OCTOBER WORDS

another



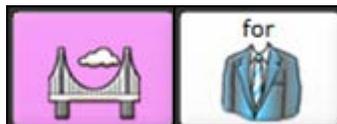
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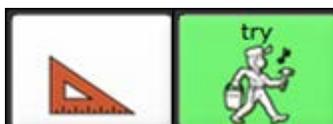
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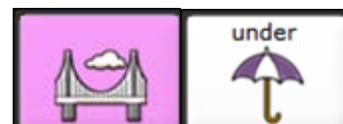
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try



under



NOVEMBER WORDS

body



dress



full



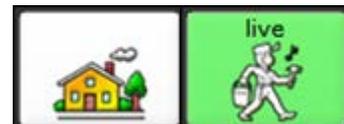
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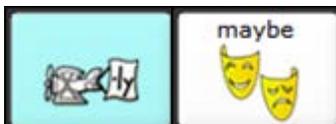
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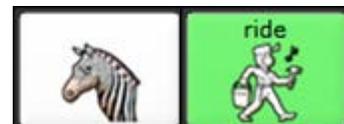
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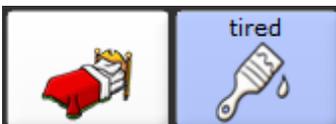
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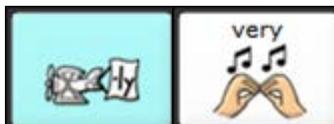
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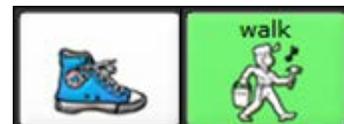
tired



very



walk



DECEMBER WORDS

ask



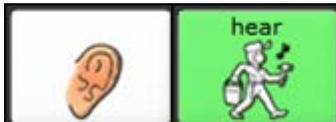
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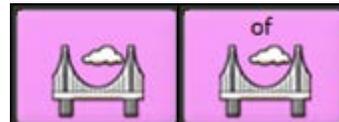
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hear



of



please



silly



surprise



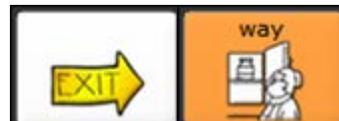
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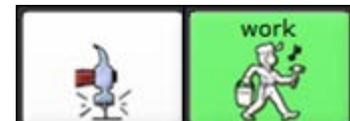
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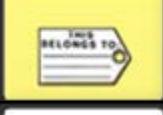
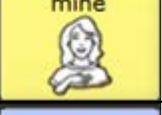
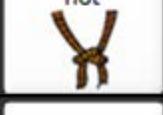
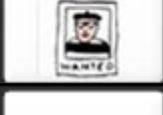
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work



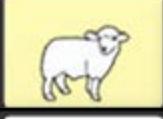
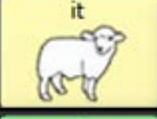
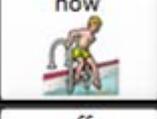
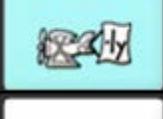
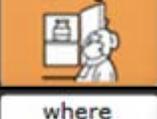
A Year of Core Words: January

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all done		all done		
all gone		all gone		
different		different		
don't		N'T		
help		help		
mine		mine		
more		more		
not	not			
stop		stop		
that		that		
want		want		
what	? word	what		
you		you		

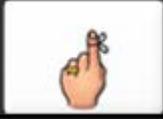
A Year of Core Words: February

again		again 
eat		eat 
get		get 
go		go 
happy		happy 
here		here 
I		I 
like		like 
me		me 
on	on 	
play		play 
put		put 
this		this 

A Year of Core Words: March

away		away 	
bad		bad 	
come		come 	
good		good 	
it		it 	
make		make 	
now		now 	
off		off 	
read		read 	
there		there 	
thing		thing 	
where	? word	where 	

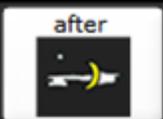
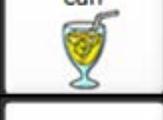
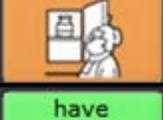
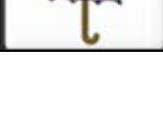
A Year of Core Words: April

big		big 	
busy		busy 	
do		do 	
drink		drink 	
feel		feel 	
he		he 	
in		in 	
make		make 	
out		out 	
some		some 	
tell		TELL 	
who	? word	who 	

A Year of Core Words: May

all		
down		
good		
little		
my		
question		
sad		
she		
turn		
up		
who		
why		

A Year of Core Words: June

after			after 	
am			am 	
be			be 	
because			because 	
can			can 	
cold		can 	COLD 	cold 
fast			fast 	
fun			fun 	
have			have 	
hungry			hungry 	
is		is 		
let			let 	
let's			let's 	
need			need 	

talk



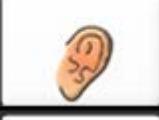
A Year of Core Words: July

and			and 	
before			before 	
color			color 	
find			FIND 	
is		is 		
later			LATE 	later  +cr
love			love 	
much			much 	
ready			ready 	
same			same 	
they			they 	
with			with 	

A Year of Core Words: August

any			any 	
bring			BRING 	bring 
day			CALENDAR 	day 
fall			fall 	
give			give 	
hot			hot 	
job			job 	
know			know 	
other			other 	
sick			sick 	
sorry			sorry 	
together			together 	

A Year of Core Words: September

almost		almost 	
call		CALL 	call 
listen		LISTEN 	listen 
name		NAME 	name 
nice		nice 	
over		over 	
place		place 	
sit		sit 	
take		take 	
time		time 	
we		we 	
write		write 	

A Year of Core Words: October

another			SAIL 	another 	
change			CHANGE 	change 	
every			every 		
for			for 		
idea			idea 		
pretty			pretty 		
say			say 		
start			start 		
thank you			thank you 		
think			think 		
try			try 		
under			under 		

A Year of Core Words: November

body		body 	
dress		dress 	
full		FULL 	full 
guess		GUESS 	guess 
hi		hi 	
live		live 	
maybe		maybe 	
one		one 	
ride		ride 	
tired		tired 	
very		very 	
walk		walk 	

A Year of Core Words: December

ask			
favorite			
goodbye			
hear			
of			
please			
silly			
surprise			
these			
use			
way			
work			