

Sports

As the weather continues to warm up it's a great time to get outside and play. Sports of all kinds provide us with many opportunities to communicate with AAC while having fun! From soccer to tee-ball, cornhole, or kickball; there's a sport for everyone! Whatever you choose, have a ball and remember to use your Core Words!

Core Words

Go	You
Stop	My
Run	It
Get	Good
Help	Bad
Look	That
Turn	There
Try	Again

Materials

Sports equipment such as:	AAC Device
ball, bat, bean bags	AAC User
	You

Model It on the AAC System

Modeling on your child's AAC system is just "talking" using his/her language! When you say a word with your voice, also say it using your child's voice. Take time to learn about the organization of your child's language. Use Word Finder, a helpful tool, to remember where to find words.



Reasons to Communicate	One Word	Two Words	Three(+) Words
Getting Wants/Needs Met <i>(requesting objects/ activities/permission/ attention, etc. directing action/to stop, request help)</i>	Want That Go Again Kick Help Get Done Turn	You do I try Kick/throw it Need help Want that Do again I/You go I/You stop My turn	I can help I/You go again You stop that I need help Can I go? Can I try? It go(es) there Is it my turn? I can do it
Exchange Information <i>(share and show objects, confirm/deny, request information, etc.)</i>	Not Stop That Look Try Good Bad Like What? Who?	Try that Like it Don't like Look good Look bad Run fast Not that You out What that? Who turn?	That look good That is bad What is that? Look at that You can go You go next Use this one Where did it go? What is that? Whose turn is it?
Social Closeness/Etiquette <i>(greet, take turns, comment, etc.)</i>	Hi! Nice Cool Play Good Wow Oh no Uh-oh Awesome Yikes	I do You go Good try Like that Nice job Try again Look out That awesome That far Go again	I like it I do it You can go You did it It's my turn I like that You are fast I (will) help you You can do it Did you have fun?

Tips to Engage, Expand, and Succeed:


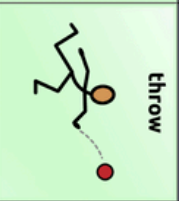


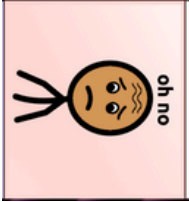
- Play ball! This time of year we're all ready to get outside and enjoy the warm weather. It's a perfect time to play sports that we know and love or learn a new one. Sports and outdoor activities are great for targeting Core Words. Being active and having fun give us all something to talk about.
- Sports and outdoor games lead us to think of action words aka verbs. Sports also provide opportunities to focus on additional categories of core words.
 - Verbs: **run, walk, look, try, help, turn, roll, hit, throw, swing, go**
 - Organizing and sequencing: **first, next, last**
 - Describing: **fast, slow, good, bad, hard, easy**
 - Comments: **cool, awesome, wow, oh no, yikes, good try**
 - Question words: **What, Who, Where**
- Talk about taking turns and trying things that are new or difficult: **my turn, your turn, you can go, help, I try, you try again, I can do it, I did it!**
- Work on asking questions while watching or playing sports: **Who(se) turn? What that? What is it? Where did it go? How (do you) play?**
- Practice giving others encouragement: **try, try it, you can, nice job, that is good, you got it, we can do it!**

Using a lite-tech communication board? Or need some choices to help you communicate during this activity?


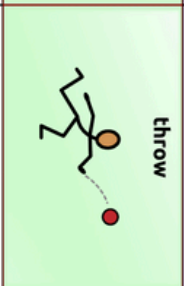
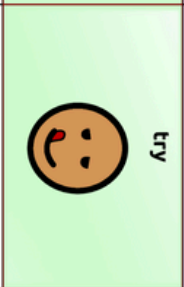


The following strips can be used as choice boards or fringe vocabulary for the above activity. If you are using this as fringe vocabulary, you will need one of our lite-tech flip books or a single page communication board. These boards are available on our website. Download the boards [here](#). You can add these strips to a flip book. Or, you can Velcro these to the top of a single page lite-tech core word board.



You can add this strip to the WordPower 60 Basic Flip Book to the GROUPS tab.

 run	 throw	 try								 awesome	 oh no

You can add this strip to the WordPower42 Basic Flip Book to the GROUPS tab.

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