

Autism - Social Communication

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Autism Challenges

- We all communicate differently today than before
- Decrease in face-to-face communication
- Autistic individuals many times can excell and express themselves easier with technology
- Video Modeling has demonstrated to be effective as a teaching tool
- Feedback loops - audio and visual support
- GENERALIZE!

Know Your Device - Effective tools inside the iPad

- Guided Access - lock it in
- Speak Selection - make it talk
- Large text - easy to read
- Timer - visual cue
- Basic email/message/contact features for SHARING
- Use your camera/video!

AAC Apps

- Examples of ones that SHARE: **Proloquo2Go, Proloquo4Text, Avaz for Autism, Assistive Express**
- Every message can be delivered to a person in front of you and a person who is not there who is important

Write About It

- Use Photographs, handwriting, drawing - **Notes, Email/Text, Maily** (younger)
- Use your voice!
- Word Prediction for spelling, productivity - **Co:Writer, Read and Write, Keedogo**
- Guided Writing Supports - Scaffolding, **Clicker Sentences, Clicker Docs**
- Multi-Media Supports - **ShowMe, iMovie, Comic Life, Book Creator**

Read About It

- Use a book format to tell a story in a sequenced format - reinforce literacy skills
- Use Audio/video support for expressive communication skills and social skills
- Popular choices: **Pictello, Book Creator**

Participate!

- Technology allows many students to be a part of a class or event that would be difficult if really there
- Common tools - **FaceTime, Google Hangout, Skype, Zoom**
- Telerobotics - **Swivl, Kubi, Double Robotics**

Connect!

- We all use social media to feel CONNECTED to others
- Each tool has a difference audience - **Facebook, Instagram, YouTube**