



## Apps Summary

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There are a large number of AAC Apps available today and many of them offer quality options for augmentative communication. The key is to know what the communicator's NEEDS are and then match those to the FEATURES required from an APP.

- ✓ AAC TechConnect has reviewed all of the APPS listed below and sorted them into CATEGORIES based on their FEATURES.

Step 1:

- ✓ If you are considering a specific APP look in our list below to see what category it is in (e.g. Robust). The other APPS listed in this category have similar features that you may wish to compare.

Step 2:

- ✓ Go to: <http://www.aactechconnect.com/freetools/?prodmanufact> and click on APPS with Pictures (or APPS with Spelling) and click on the iTunes link to review the APP and make any notes on the Apps Summary Handout.

Step 3:

- ✓ If you need help sorting through the APPS with regard to comparing their features – then go to: [http://www.aactechconnect.com/?page\\_id=555](http://www.aactechconnect.com/?page_id=555) to see how our AAC Apps Assistant works. You can preview it by clicking on the green PREVIEW button on the left side of the page.
- ✓ We have sorted through 150 different APPS to bring you this list of 60 quality APPS for your consideration (as of 5-25-12; we are constantly updating these). These APPS listed below meet a specific criteria we have set out at:  
<http://www.aactechconnect.com/dashboard/content/files/1507.docx>

This list is ever expanding – so stay in touch with us by emailing us at:

[info@aacTechConnect.com](mailto:info@aacTechConnect.com) to receive free updates on new APPS!

For more information on how to match the communicator's needs with the features of a particular App - see AAC Workshops at: [http://www.aactechconnect.com/?page\\_id=18](http://www.aactechconnect.com/?page_id=18) or contact us if you are interested in individual assistance at [info@aacTechConnect.com](mailto:info@aacTechConnect.com) and we will be in touch with you about options.

**Our goal is to help you make the “best choice for the best AAC voice”**



## Apps Summary

### **Robust Apps:**

- Wide range of vocabulary included
- Large number of picture icons included (usually thousands)
- Various page layout options; can usually start out very simple
- Usually can do both pictures and spelling
- Higher quality voices with choices of types and/or languages
- Premade vocabulary options (significant # of premade pages included)
- Can formulate sentences using some core vocabulary (optional)
- Can independently navigate to vocabulary
- Usually more expensive because of more options offered
- May be more complex to program

Robust Apps	Notes:
Alexicom AAC (Free/ subscription options)	
Alexicom Elements (variety) (\$9.99 - \$19.99)	
Avaz for Autism (\$99.99)	
Grid Player (Free/use w software)	
LAMP Words for Life (\$299.99)	
Meta Talk (\$179.99; Lite \$9.99)	
Proloquo2go (\$189.99)	
Sono Flex (\$99.99; Lite version free)	
Speak for Yourself (coming to iTunes; Lite version free/available)	
TouchChat AAC & TouchChat -WordPower (\$149.99 - \$300; \$10 Lite)	

## More Features Apps:

- Varied amount of pictures provided (note what “type” you want; digital photos, picture icons, etc.)
- Usually provides some pictures
- Usually does not do spelling
- Voice type varies: digitized (recorded speech) and/or synthesized (or referred to as text-to-speech sometimes).
- Vocabulary offered includes premade pages (may be additional cost)
- Some have ability to formulate simpler phrases / sentences.
- Instructional resources, website information, and email support varies.
- Usually mid-priced range since they have more features.
- Ease of programming based on the number of features offered.

More Features Apps	Notes:
AAC Speech Buddy (\$39.99)	
AutisMate (\$49.99)	
AutoVerbal Pro (\$9.99 - \$19.99)	
ComApp2 (\$39.99; ComApp Free)	
Expressive (\$25.99)	
Functional Communication System (\$49.99 – and Free Lite version)	
GoTalk Now (\$79.99 and GoTalk Now Free –trial version)	
I Can Speak (\$29.99)	
iClickiTalk (\$3.99 - \$89.99)	
iCommunicate (\$49.99)	
Image2Talk (\$24.99)	
Locabulary Pro (\$129.99; Lite version free)	
My First AAC (\$24.99)	
MyTalkTools Mobile AAC (\$49.99; Lite version free)	
On Voice AAC (\$199.99; Lite version free)	
PandaPal – Autism Communication System (\$45.99; AAC version free)	

Picture AAC (\$29.99)	
Picture Can Talk (\$34.99; Premium version \$59.99)	
Scene & Heard (\$49.99; Lite version free)	
Scroll & Speak (\$49.99)	
SoundingBoard (Free)	
Speech Tree (\$169.99; Lessons version free)	
Talk To Me 100 (\$5.99; Free version available )	
Talking Cards (\$28.99; Lite version free)	
TalkRocket Go (\$99.99)	
TalkTablet NEO (\$79.99)	
TapSpeak Choice(\$149.99)	
TapToTalk (Free/other versions \$99.95-\$179)	

## Starter Apps

- Varied amount of pictures provided (or none at all). For most, use your own photos
- Voice type is often digitized (recorded speech).
- Vocabulary offered is basic “starters” or easy to “start from scratch” for simpler communication needs
- Some have ability to formulate simpler phrases / sentences.
- Instructional resources, website information, and email support varies.
- Usually less expensive since they have less features.
- Most easier to program due to less features offered.

Starter Apps	Notes:
2CanTalk (\$14.99)	
Aeir Talk (Free)	
Discover My Voice (\$49.99)	
Gabby Tabs (\$9.99; Lite version free)	
iComm (Free/full version \$7.99)	
Look2Learn (\$14.99)	

My Choice Board (\$9.99)	
Photo VOCA (\$15.99 and Free version)	
Quick Talk AAC (\$14.99)	
Scan to Pictures (\$4.99; Free version)	
Scene Speak (\$9.99)	
So Much 2 Say (\$24.99)	
Something to Say (\$6.99)	
Talk'n Photos (\$2.99)	
Touch Talking (\$0.99)	
Ur Talker Pro (\$49.99; Lite version \$9.99)	
Use2Talk (\$29.99)	

## Simple Apps

- Very simple. Does not need side-by-side comparison. Continue research with iTunes link.
- Single key or 2 key options
- Addition of pictures may be limited or not possible
- Few if any pictures are provided
- Usually digitized speech (recorded)
- Lower cost
- Easy to program

Simple Apps	Notes:
Answers: Yes/No HD (\$1.99 - 3.99)	
Grace (\$24.99)	
iGreet You (\$0.99)	
iTakeTurns (\$1.99)	
TapSpeak Button (\$14.99; Plus version 49.99)	
TapSpeak Sequence (\$29.99; Plus version \$49.99)	
Yes/No Your Way (\$1.99)	

## Spelling/Text-to-Speech Apps

- Most are primarily for literate individuals who can spell
- A few may also have pictures (indicated with \*\*)
- A wide variety and quality of voices available
- Features vary widely; in general, the more expensive, the more features available (such as word prediction, pre-programmed vocabulary, categorization, keyboard layout, etc.)

Spelling / Text-to-Speech Apps	Notes:
Alexicom AAC (Free/\$40 subscription)	
Assistive Chat (\$24.99)	
EZ Speech Pro (\$99.99)	
iMean (\$4.99)	
Ktype Pro (\$59.99; and Free version)	
MintyVox AAC Speech (\$29.99)	
New Voice (\$49.99)	
Predictable (\$169.99)	
Proloquo2go (\$189.99)	
Speak It! (\$1.99)	
Touch Voice (\$19.99)	
Typ-O HD (\$14.99; Lite version free)	
Verbally (Free/Premium \$99.99)	