I Can Help Mac Communicate! COMMUNICATION FRAMEWORK



Skills for Mac's Peers

COMMUNICATION INDICATORS	I HAVE HEARD OF THIS	I CAN DO THIS WITH HELP	I CAN DO THIS BY MYSELF	I CAN TEACH THIS TO OTHERS	
Using Mac's equipment (ICT)					
I know how to turn on Mac's yes/no					
box					
I can hold Mac's switches very still					
in the right place so that he can					
answer my questions by himself					
Asking Questions (TS2.1)					
I can ask Mac questions that need					
a 'yes' or 'no' answer					
I know how to give Mac two options					
and get him to tell me his					
preference using 'yes' or 'no'					
answers					
Listening skills (TS2.2)					
I listen carefully to Mac by looking					
at his facial expressions and					
listening to his answers					
Identifying appropriate vocabulary (TS2.3)					
I can identify things that Mac might					
like to say or do in the classroom or					
playground and share this with a					
teacher					
Re-phrasing Mac's answers (TS2.1)					
I can use Mac's answers to					
questions to tell teachers or peers					
about his decisions, ideas or					
opinions					

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Skills for All Teachers

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COMMUNICATION INDICATORS	I HAVE HEARD OF THIS	I CAN DO THIS WITH HELP	I CAN DO THIS BY MYSELF	I CAN TEACH THIS TO OTHERS	
Using Mac's equipment:					
I understand that Mac uses different ways to communicate including: - Auditory scanning, - Morse code, and - yes/no responses					
I know how to change Mac's communication options by: - switching his 'box' to the right option and - opening the right page on his device (that have been minimised)					
Supporting Mac's Communication:					
I can identify the best method for Mac to use for a specific task or conversation					
I can identify and document appropriate phrases Mac might need for everyday communication opportunities and discuss these with his teacher					
I can quickly identify single phrases that Mac could say in order to be involved (e.g. carnivals/special days) and can identify the appropriate communication option (e.g. iPad, BigMac)					
Asking Questions:					
I can support all students to ask Mac appropriate questions including rephrasing unclear questions					
I can engage Mac in conversations around a variety of topics					

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Skills for Mac's Aide, Teacher, Principal, and IT support.

These are very specific skills which require advanced training and knowledge of how to use Mac's communication device and the various options that he has to communicate.

EQUIPMENT INDICATORS	I HAVE HEARD OF THIS	I CAN DO THIS WITH HELP	I CAN DO THIS BY MYSELF	I CAN TEACH THIS TO OTHERS
I know how to set up the Dynavox				
and prepare it for use				
I can troubleshoot problems with the Dynavox				
I know how to use MS word for				
visual scanning options				
I know how to set up MS word for				
Morse code entry				
I know how to use and troubleshoot the CRICK USB interface				
I know how to program phrases into				
the different communication devices				
for everyday communication				
I know how to create a page on the				
Dynavox software				
I know how to set up a table for use				
in MS Word for visual scanning				
I know how to add phrases and				
shortcuts to the Morse Code library in MS Word				