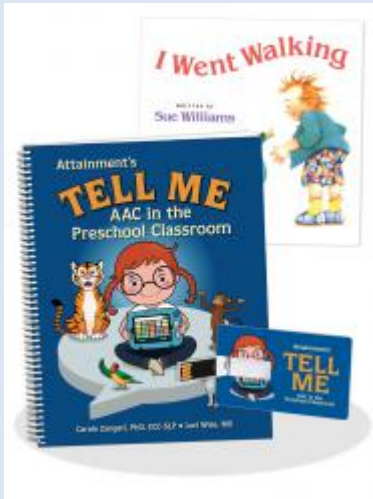


# BUILDING BLOCKS

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## Tell Me Program: AAC in the Preschool Classroom

A classroom-wide approach to support nonverbal and minimally verbal beginning AAC users

### Product Features:

- 10 shared reading and writing lessons for 11 different books
- Activity suggestions for building AAC use in circle time, centers, snack, outside play, cooking, art, and more
- Weekly packets to help parents understand key AAC concepts and extend learning into the home
- Ready-to-print symbol cards for 4–6 core words in each book. Resources provided for students using PCS, Smarty Symbols, Pixons, and manual signs
- Templates for art, cooking, and play activities
- Suggested apps for interactive play, learning, and practice with core vocabulary
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- Reproducibles included on USB flash drive

[www.attainmentcompany.com/tell-me-program-aac-preschool-classroom](http://www.attainmentcompany.com/tell-me-program-aac-preschool-classroom)



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<http://modernpreschool.com/ice-cream-sprinkles-writing-tray/>



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## FEATURED IDEA OF THE MONTH



*A classroom makerspace, inclusive of woodworking, electronics, sewing, and do-it-yourself materials.*

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## 7 Teaching Strategies to Consider for Your ECE Classroom

By [Megan Ruesink](#)

Teaching strategies to consider ...

1. Logo/symbol labeling
2. Sound recognition & matching
3. Photo flashcards of social scenarios
4. Shared reading
5. Focusing on the process not the product
6. Introduce cyber skills
7. Get the senses involved in science

<https://goo.gl/zmK2sF>

## Innovative Practice: 5 Strategies for the Early Learning Classroom

1. Practice PBL and STEM Within Community Partnerships
2. Engage in Purposeful Play
3. Provide Opportunities for Student-Centered Constructionism
4. "Bloom" Your Books
5. Partake in Picture-Book Philosophy

<https://www.edutopia.org/blog/strategies-for-early-learning-classroom-elizabeth-garcia>



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## WEBSITES AND RESOURCES

Using Routines-Based Interventions in Early Childhood Special Education <https://goo.gl/Olf9Ut>

Individualizing Instruction in Preschool Classrooms <https://goo.gl/zHCvii>

10 Preschool Transitions– Songs and Chants to Help Your Day Run Smoothly <https://goo.gl/boK8EZ>



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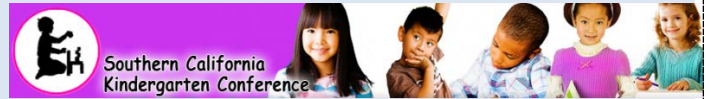
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