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Editor 's Desk

Dear friends,

*All our dreams can come true –
if we have the courage to pursue them.*

-Walt Disney

Fear not to dream!!!

Happy Reading !

Regards

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Innovative Ideas

Type with one hand using the TiPY Keyboard

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<https://www.eastersealstech.com/2022/03/31/type-with-one-hand-using-the-tipy-keyboard/>

Several individuals with (and without) disabilities often type using one hand. While you can do this on a standard QWERTY keyboard, typing with one hand on the TiPY Keyboard is a lot more efficient.

TiPY's new key concept focuses on the most frequently used keys. Further, it "makes typing and learning the TiPY key arrangement faster and easier."

"With the new key concept of the one-hand keyboard and integrated mouse function, you can edit all programs and tables, use keyboard shortcuts, type letters, texts and use all the

advantages of your computer and a complete word processor in 12 languages...”

A one-handed keyboard that works for individuals who are left or right-handed, fully equipped with 12 languages, and has an integrated mouse, built-in numeric keyboard. The battery is connected via Bluetooth and also be directly connected to your computer



Picture shows a right palm placed on TiPY keyboard

Inclusive Ideas

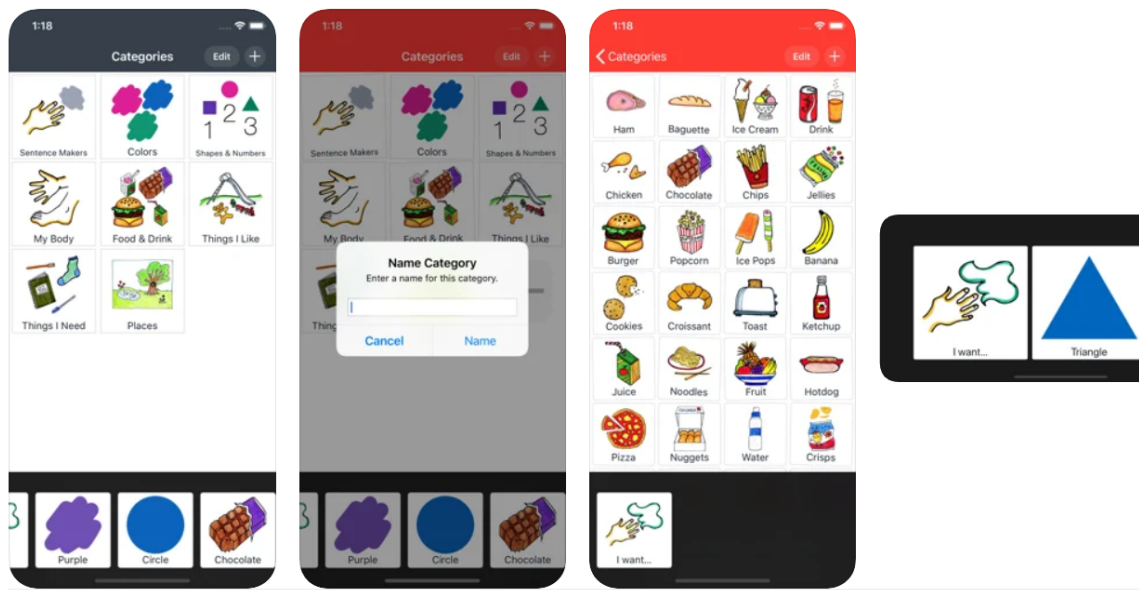
Grace App

Grace App is an evidence-based picture exchange app designed to encourage and reward independent communication through the use of images. While created with and for people with autism, it can be used by anyone with a speech disability or delay. Grace App is designed to be owned and updated by the user, with minimum support from caregivers. The app is a winner of the 2010 Irish Web Awards and United Nations World Summit Award Mobile

Grace App works by offering a selection of images in categorized folders where users can select a picture to add to the “sentence strip”. The user then shares the sentence with their communication partner who helps them to point to each card, reading the words aloud. The default setting is for no sound; however, there is an

option in Settings to select “Tap Card to Speak” for users who prefer a vocal output. Category folders contain a selection of pre-loaded images. Users can add their own images using the camera or access any saved and stored images in their photo library, including images saved from the web. All images can be labeled with text, deleted, or rearranged to suit the individual user.

<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/grace-picture-exchange-for/id360574688>



Picture shows the screen shots of app-picture symbols on display show

MyTalkTools -Web and mobile AAC

MyTalkTools Mobile is a next-generation AAC app that helps people with communication difficulties say what they want with sequences of words, sounds, and images by choosing the content (simple grids or boards with bold images) and playing recorded sounds when you touch a cell. The sequences can even form complete sentences. It can be personalized

Simple drag-and-drop editing helps create boards in minutes.

<http://www.mytalktools.com/dnn/2/>

[Products.aspx](http://www.mytalktools.com/dnn/2/Products.aspx)

ReadSpeaker web reader

A text-to-speech with Simultaneous Highlighting, Which allows personalizing the reading speed, highlighting preferences, font, font size, and colors. A horizontal bar moves with the lines being read and shades the rest of the screen

It also has the additional feature of Text displayed at the bottom of the page in large font. The only Text Mode shows only the content in plain text format for distraction-free reading. We can Download an audio version of the content for offline listening too.

A pop-up menu allows you to listen, translate, or look up selected words, phrases, or paragraphs

<https://www.readspeaker.com/solutions/text-to-speech-online/readspeaker-webreader/>

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