

# AVAZ QUICK GUIDE: COMMUNICATE WITH EASE!

## Your Essential Companion for AAC Success

### GETTING STARTED

#### 1. Set up your **GRID**

Menu > Settings > Picture Grid Settings

#### 2. Set up your **THEME**

Menu > Settings > Theme

#### 3. Change your app **LANGUAGE**

Menu > Settings > Languages > Change Language

#### 4. Set up your **VOICE**

Menu > Settings > Voice > Voice > Select from one of the default/premium voices > configure Voice speed and/or pitch

#### 5. Choose a **VOICE FOR EXPRESSIVE TONES**

Menu > Settings > Voice > Voice > Expressive Voices

#### 6. Stop my app from speaking functional keys

Menu > Settings > Voice > What to Speak > Speak Words/Speak only message box



#### 1. Create and manage **BACK-UPS**

Menu > Settings > Back-up & Restore

#### 2. Create **STUDENT PROFILES** using back-ups

Menu > Settings > Back-up & Restore > Create New Backup -

Use the student name and date to create a back up Under Your Backups, the student profile will be visible, tap on it - Replace will set the app to the respective student profile - Share will show you options to share via email/drive/airdrop

#### 3. Link your account to the cloud to **AUTOMATICALLY SYNC BACK-UPS**

Menu > Settings > Backup & Restore > Securely save your backups to the cloud

#### 4. Set up **AUTO BACK-UP**

Menu > Settings > Manage Auto Backups > Turn on > Set Interval



#### 1. Set up your **SIDE NAVIGATION MENU**

Menu > Settings > Picture Grid Settings > Change Side Navigation Bar -

Turn Off/Shift to Left or Right - Select/Deselect Buttons on the Bar - Program the Favourites Button to Point to Any Folder

#### 2. Set up your **FAVORITE FOLDER** in the side navigation menu

Menu > Settings > Picture Grid Settings > Change Side Navigation Bar > Favorites > Change Folder

#### 3. Set up the **ZOOM FEATURE** based on the user's preference

Menu > Settings > Picture Grid > Enlarge Word on Selection (Listed under Picture Settings (Behavior))

#### 4. Set up a **PASSWORD** to lock editing and customising the app

Menu > Settings > General > Password Protection > Set Password



### CUSTOMIZING ICONS AND WORDS

#### 1. Add a **NEW WORD**

Menu > Edit > +Add New / Tap '+' (on the grid) > Word

#### 2. Create a **NEW FOLDER/CATEGORY** for words

Menu > Edit > +Add New > Folder

#### 3. Change the **GRID SIZE OF THE FOLDER**

Menu > Edit > Double Tap on the folder > Folder Options (Top Right Corner) > Pictures per screen

#### 4. Add **MULTIPLE WORDS** at once

Menu > Edit > +Add Many words at once

#### 5. **EDIT/DELETE** Existing word/icon

Menu > Edit > Tap on the word > Change/Hide/Delete

#### 6. Add **CUSTOM AUDIO** to an icon

Menu > Edit > Tap on the word > Change > Use the icons below 'Speak As' for phonetic pronunciation, record or upload an audio

#### 7. **HIDE/UNHIDE THE IMAGE** on an icon

Menu > Edit > Tap on the word > Change > Show Picture / Hide Picture

#### 8. Add **CUSTOM IMAGES/GIF** to an icon

Menu > Edit > Tap on the word > Change > Change Picture > Select from 'Camera/images on device/symbolstix symbols/web/GIF'

#### 9. Set a specific **LOOP COUNT FOR GIF**

Menu > Edit > Tap on the word > Change > Change Picture > Select GIF > GIF Loop Count

#### 10. Set a **YouTube VIDEO** for an icon

Menu > Edit > Tap on the word > Change > Advanced (top) > Actions (left) > Add Action > YouTube



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## ENHANCING THE EXPERIENCE

### 1. Return to the **PREVIOUS FOLDER** Automatically

Menu > Edit > Double Tap on the Folder >  
Folder Options (Top Right Corner) > Turn On Auto Back

### 2. Return to the **HOME PAGE** Automatically

Menu > Settings > Picture Grid Settings > Toggle ON Auto Home each time (Listed under.  
Picture Settings (Behavior))

### 3. Make a button **JUMP TO ANOTHER FOLDER/PAGESET**

Menu > Edit > Tap on the word > Change > Advanced (top) > Actions (left) > Add Action >  
Jump to Page > Choose the target folder



### 1. **LINK AN EXISTING FOLDER** to any pageset

Menu > Edit > +Add New > Link an existing folder

### 2. **HIDE SELECTED WORDS** in a linked folder

Menu > Edit > Tap to select the words you want to hide > Hide (Top panel) > Select 'Only  
Here'

### 3. Hide selected words in a **FROZEN ROW FOLDER** when in a particular pageset

Tap on the frozen row folder from the pageset( eg: tap on Actions from Food) > Menu >  
Edit > Tap to select the words you want to hide > Hide (Top panel) > Select 'Only Here'



### 1. **SHARE A MESSAGE** from the message box

Construct a message > Tap the Share icon on the message box

### 2. **AUTO-CLEAR** the message box

Menu > Settings > Message Box > Auto Clear Message Box



### 1. **SAVE PRE-MADE PHRASES** on the Keyboard

Keyboard > Construct a message > Save (Bottom left) >  
Choose existing category / Create New Folder

### 2. Change **PREDICTION SETTINGS** on the Keyboard

Menu > Settings > Keyboard > Prediction

### 3. Change the **KEYBOARD LAYOUT**

Menu > Settings > Keyboard > Layout

### 4. **HIGHLIGHT VOWELS** on the keyboard

Menu > Settings > Keyboard > Layout > Toggle Highlight Vowels



## FEATURE SPOTLIGHT: WHAT DOES IT DO?

### 1. What does **AUTO BACK** do?

Once Auto Back is enabled, the app will automatically return to the previous folder after selecting a word or item from the current folder.

### 2. What does a **LINKED FOLDER** do?

A Linked Folder allows you to link an existing folder relevant to the topic of conversation within another pageset. This reduces the number of navigational taps needed to access it. Additionally, a Linked Folder enables you to hide words that are not relevant to that specific pageset or topic of conversation, improving efficiency and reducing cognitive load.

### 3. What does **FROZEN ROW** do?

The Frozen Row is a tray of folders or word categories containing the most frequently used words in everyday communication. It is available on every page, helping to reduce the number of taps required to access high-frequency words. The folders in the Frozen Row allow you to hide or unhide words specific to the pageset they are in, further improving efficiency through relevance and minimizing the cognitive load of scanning for specific words among many.

### 4. What does **JUMP TO PAGE** do?

Jump to Page allows an icon to directly navigate to a target folder dynamically, improving communication speed by reducing the number of navigational taps. For example, a "Happy Birthday" icon can directly jump to the People folder, or a "Go" icon can jump to the Places folder.

### 5. What do the **TOUCH ACCOMMODATION SETTINGS** do?

Touch Accommodations is an accessibility setting intended to help users with fine motor challenges.

**Select on Release - First finger down / Last finger up** helps you choose which type of action should be considered as a selection.

**Hold Duration** - decides the time duration the touch should be held down to consider a selection in order to improve the selection accuracy.

**Ignore Repeat** - decides the time duration the app would ignore repeated taps on an icon.

**Border Settings (Color, Thickness, Radius)** - helps with additional visual feedback while navigating on the screen as well as differentiated color for final selection

### 6. What are **"SPECIAL INTEREST"** & **"MY GESTALTS"** folders intended for?

Special Interest is a folder available in the frozen row which can be used to add words and phrases related to or about the communicator's special interests. This can include anything that they like, enjoy and are fascinated about. This helps establish an interest and positive outlook towards their AAC device. My Gestalts is a folder to add and store the communicator's gestalts, scripts or most used phrases of interest. Gestalts/Scripts are personal to the communicator and hold high significance in their communication.