



## What?

Core words are a small number of high frequency words that are used most commonly whenever we expressively communicate. Rarely are core words common nouns; instead, core words are comprised of verbs, descriptors, pronouns, and prepositions.

## Who?

Core words are used by everyone! They may only consist of 200-500 words, but they make up 80% of the words that we all use on a daily basis.

## Where?

Core words are flexible and can be used across settings. We use the same core words whether we are at school, home, work, inside, or outside. We use them everywhere!

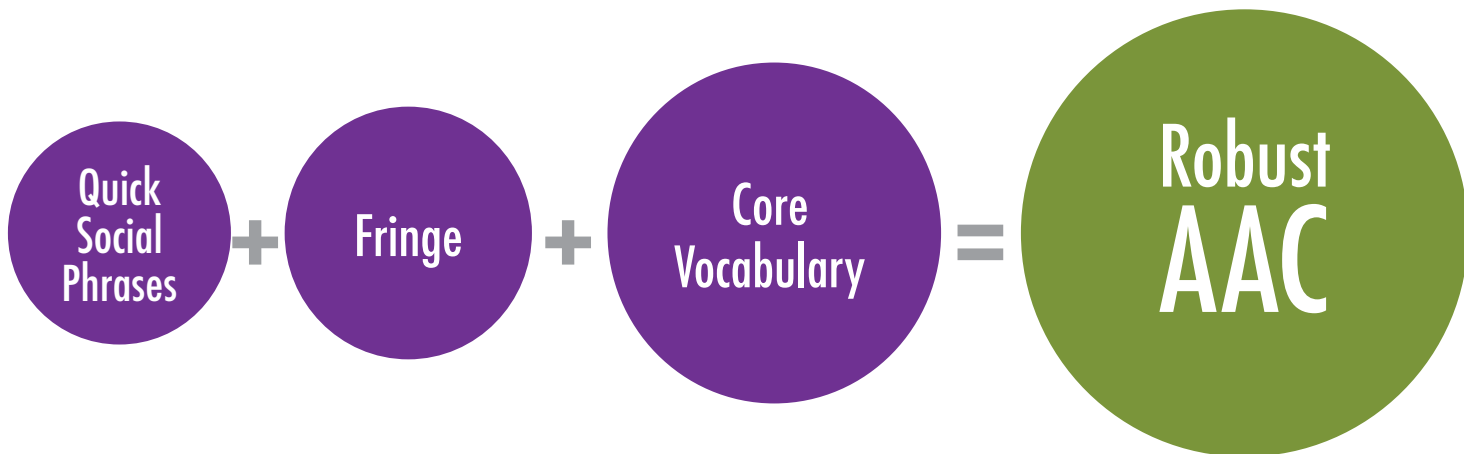
## When?

Core words can be used any time of the day or year with any communication partner. Core words are not context-bound so can be used during all activities or for any topic.

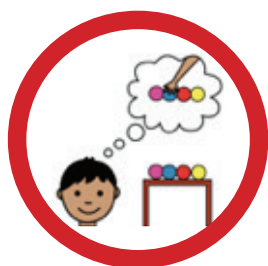
## Why?

Core words are flexible and powerful. Supporting the acquisition of core vocabulary words for people who use augmentative and alternative communication (AAC) gives them access to communication across all topics, environments, and communication partners. This is the foundation of a robust AAC system.

Having access to a robust AAC vocabulary assures that everyone has the opportunity to communicate for a wide variety of reasons.



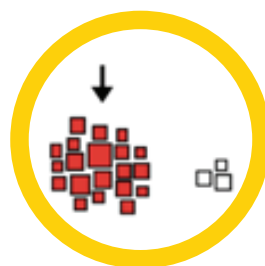
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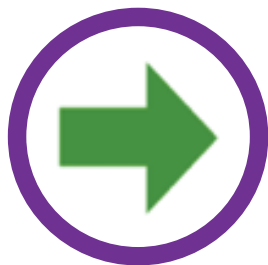
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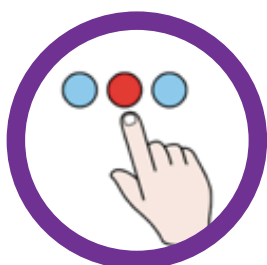
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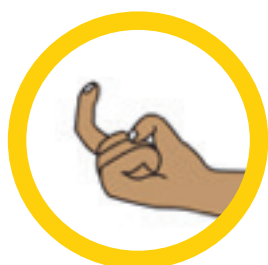
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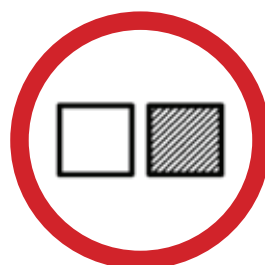
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