



Hear from a mom of a QuickTalker Freestyle speech device user on how research led them to their decision to get a QuickTalker Freestyle for their son!

What Research Says About Speech Devices

Research suggests Augmentative and Alternative (AAC) devices, such as the QuickTalker Freestyle speech device, are great supplements to spoken language and enhance communication methods. AAC is a tool that can be utilized as a total communication approach and provides a bridge to help individuals expand their language skills. The earlier AAC is incorporated, the greater the potential for improved outcomes.

AAC Devices Promote Spoken Language:

AAC devices do not hinder spoken language development. Instead, AAC devices complement spoken language and expand communication methods.¹

Introducing AAC Early is Best:

Early integration of AAC, regardless of age, enhances language, communication, and cognitive development. Research shows that children with communication challenges do best when introduced to augmentative and alternative communication as early as 12 months.²

There Are No Prerequisites for High-Tech AAC Devices:

They are suitable for children of all ages and cognitive levels, with customizable setups that adapt as skills progress, they can work for almost all individuals.³

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