

## **Inclusive Education**

# **Core Word Focus: Ready/Wait**

Core words are the powerful, flexible words we use every day for most of our communication. A core word approach gives the AAC learner focused practice with these important words that will help them communicate effectively in many different situations for many different reasons. Our next core word focus is two words that we adults use multiple times during a school day: **Ready & Wait**.

**Ready** is a descriptive word which can be used to indicate that something is about to happen. When said with enthusiasm, in can indicate that something *exciting* is coming such as when throwing a ball, blowing bubbles, etc. It can also be used to ensure someone is prepared, such as when one is about to leave the house.

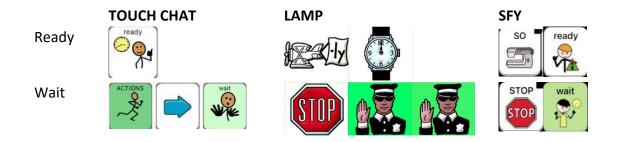
**Wait** is a common event in time that happens every day. We must wait in line to leave the classroom, or when buying groceries. Waiting is not typically fun, but it is a vital skill to teach our students.

#### Examples:

Are you **ready** to go? We are **ready**. **Ready**, set, go!! You need to **wait Wait** for me How much longer do we need to **wait**?

#### **Books & Activities**

"Ready, set, Skip" by Jane O'Connor
"Wait" by Antoinette Portis
"Are you Ready to play outside?" By Mo Willems
"Waiting is not Easy" by Mo Willems
Playing with a ball, blowing bubbles, going on the swing, having a race are all fantastic ways to model Wait and Ready.



### LAMP Sentence Strips:

Ready, go!



I am ready to go



Are we ready?



Wait a minute!



I can wait for my turn



Wait for me!

