

Inclusive Education

Core Word Focus: OPEN

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. Try to use the core word in as many ways as possible. Think about different meanings and different communicative purposes like statements, stories, requests, demands, questions and so on.

This week's core word focus is **open**. **Open** pairs nicely with last week's word **go** when changing spaces—we **open** doors, we notice already **opened** doors, an available gym is **open**. Snack and lunchtime are excellent modelling opportunities because the kids are usually very interested in getting to their food and then they are sitting, busy eating and available to be attentive. School food usually comes packed in containers so there is a lot to **open**. Looking for items in a backpack, a box, a bag or other containers can require conversations about **opening**.

Examples:

Let's **open** it!
Open the door.
The gym is **open**!
Open it right now!
Open the box/bag/package.
I **opened** it!
Open the car door

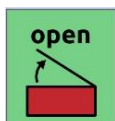
Do you want it **open**?
Please **open** it for me.
Time to **open** the school.
Please don't **open** it!
It is not **open**.
Close your eyes. Ready, set, **open**!
When will it **open**?

Open up!
Open wide!
The store is **open**!
Can you **open** it?
Open your mind
Open your present!
Is it **open**?

Books: Any lift-the-flap book such as Spot books and Usborne interactive books, Open the Barn Door, Open & Close Book, Open Santa's Door, Do Not Open This Book (series), Please Open This Book, I Can Open It for You, May I Please Open a Present? Open Wide, Eyes Open, Slinky Malinky Open the Door, When You Open a Book, Knock Knock Open the Door, Open Wide! Open House, Open Season, Do Your Eyes Open Wide? Olivia Opens a Lemonade Stand

Activities: any craft or activity with materials in a closed container (bubbles, playdough, paint, etc.), play house, play kitchen, play restaurant, play store, play farm, Simon Says, Jack-in-the-box type wind-up toys, puppets, Hungry Hippo, Fishing, Cariboo, mystery boxes, 20 questions

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