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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! Do you want it **open**? Open up! *Open* the door. Please *open* it for me. **Open** wide! The gym is **open!** Time to *open* the school. The store is **open! Open** it right now! Please don't open it! Can you **open** it? **Open** the box/bag/package. It is not *open*. **Open** your mind I **opened** it! Close your eyes. Ready, set, open! **Open** your present! *Open* the car door When will it **open**? Is it **open**?

Books:

Any lift-the-flap book such as Spot books
Open the Barn Door
Open & Close Book
Open & Close Book
Please Open This Book
I Can Open It for You
May I Please Open a Present?
Open Wide, Eyes Open
When You Open a Book
Open House
Open Wide!
Do Your Eyes Open Wide?

Activities:

Any craft or activity with materials in a closed container (bubbles, playdough, paint, etc.)

Playhouse, kitchen, restaurant, store, farm, etc..

Hungry Hippo

Cariboo

Fishing Game
mystery boxes,

20 questions

TOUCH CHAT



LAMP





BOOK CREATOR RESOUCES

Links to Online Resources



Simple LAMP **Book**



Sentences for LAMP Users:

Open the door













Please open the container for me























Is the store open?

















Can they open it up?

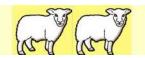
















Open your mouth













