

Communication and Dysphagia Applications (Apps) on tablets, phones, and other devices

Great source for finding out about new apps – **GeekSLP** – has its own app. Apps change almost daily, and can be hard to keep track of. This is a great resource to stay up to date.

Aphasia Apps

Lingraphica

- TalkPath - several apps that target different aspects of communication (listening, speaking, reading, writing)
- SmallTalk – common phrases and daily activities (can use as a rudimentary augmentative communication device)
- can be used as therapy or home exercise material
- has an assessment tool
- free versions of each modality
- also has a visual pain scale app

ChoiceBoard Creator

- Can customize 2- and 3- choice boards for responses
- Free app

Answering Yes and No with Style – free or cheap versions of what you can draw on a piece of paper

- Yes/No Button, Yes/No from I Can Do Apps, Yes-No (Smarty Ears), Yes-No Your Way (Tech Unlimited)

Language TherAppy (Tactus Therapy Solutions)

- Language activities for all language modalities
- Free lite version (very limited stimuli)
- \$24.99 per modality or \$59.99 for all for full set of stimuli across modalities

ABA decks – Emotions, food, letters, animals, etc.

- Full-color pictures for vocabulary practice (intended for children, but can be used with adults for a range of applications as practice)

Word Games

- Many, many choices
- Some, like Wordmania, allow one to work on executive function/semantic categories
- Word To Word – semantic associations
- Word To Word Themes – semantic association within categories

Reasoning

- Clockwork Brain
- Sudokku
- Color Flow
- Logic's Cup

Reading

Reading Aphasia (Virtual Speech Center Inc.)

- Reading exercises at multiple levels – 2000 stimuli organized into 12 semantic categories
- \$9.99

Writing/Spelling

- Alphabet Tracing, Little Writer, Little Speller, and similar apps (all free)
- Tend to be geared towards children

Voice

Breathe2Relax

- Systematic instructional program for relaxation breathing
- Nice graphics
- Free

Pitch Pipe

- For vocal function exercises
- Free

Blahblahblah

- Voice awareness app
- Fun graphics
- Gives feedback on loudness

Augmentative/Alternative communication tools

MyTalk Tools

- simple boards
- some degree of customizability
- free 'lite' version

TalkRocket Go (formerly MyVoice)

- Canadian-made
- Customizable theme-based vocabulary
- GPS locator linked to vocabulary
- Free basic setup, but individual vocabulary sets must be purchased
- Available in English and French

Sono Flex Lite (Tobii)

- Alternative/augmentative vocabulary system
- Turns symbols into clear speech.
- Good for those who are non-verbal or who have dysarthric speech
- More customizability in the full version (\$100-200)

Proloquo2go

- Most sophisticated and customizable AAC app
- Costly (around \$180), but much cheaper than dedicated hardware AAC devices, which run in the 1000s of dollars

Text to Speech

SpeakIt

- Can take any text material and add a voice to it
- Can store frequent phrases (excellent for severely dysarthric speakers who can type or can have someone type and store for them)
- Very versatile

Dysphagia

iSwallow

- Video demonstrations of manoeuvres for exercises or swallowing safety
- Narrated and free!