



# Liberator

## **IDEAS FOR YOUR TALKING PHOTO ALBUM**

Making the most of your resource

# Introduction

Talking photo albums can be used as a great communication aid for individuals who have limited verbal communication skills.

A unique message can be recorded for every image that you insert.

For some individuals, turning the pages is the beginning of talking about past events while for others the pictures will be the opportunity for the conversation.



# Communication Passport

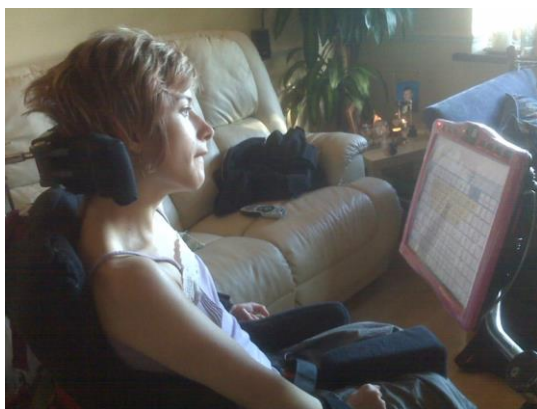
Bring your communication passport to life with a talking photo album.

Record each message on each page and this will allow the user to relay their messages easily and independently.





My name is Anna



I use an Accent  
Communication  
Aid to talk



# As a conversation starter

Insert photos of the individual engaged in various activities with relevant messages recorded (e.g. diary, holiday photo albums) think of activities that can provide a basis for a conversation.

Use the talking photo to keep a diary of what you have done.

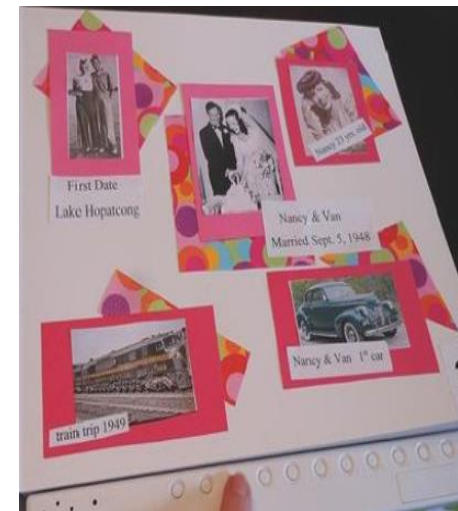
Keep the individual's diary you support up-to-date so they can share this information with others.



# Special Times

The talking photo album is a great way for a loved one living with dementia to remember those special times.

Use as a timeline for key dates and occasions in their lifetime. It can help encourage memories, provide comfort or could be used as a quick reference tool.



# A record of achievement

Place a photo of the individual taking part in something to create a book of achievement that can be added to throughout the term.

The individual can then have a visual and auditory record of their achievements that can be accessed repeatedly at any time.



# Instructions

Add instructions on how to do something.

It could be how the individual likes to be dressed, how they like to take their tea or how to operate some equipment.

Please make my tea  
with only a teaspoon  
of milk.





# Register

Use the talking photo album to have a picture of each student in it, with their name recorded in it.

The students can then take turns to take the register, pressing the button for the student's name and waiting for a response.

You can also have a 'yes miss/sir' answer at the back so they can answer to them being there.



# To provide directions

Use each page in the talking photo album as a sequence in which the activity is to be completed; a verbal instruction or cue can be recorded for each photo (e.g., recipe, directions).

Add instructions and pictures to each page e.g. recipe that can be easily followed.



# Instructions



Stir it



Add the vegetables



# Menu & order items

You can use the talking photo album as a Menu.

You can list all the items on offer on each page and record the name for each.

The individual can then select which item they would like and order their desired choice of food.



# Frankie & Benny's



Pasta Alfredo



# Shopping list

With the talking photo album, you can prepare a shopping list.

You could have a basic shopping list with items needed or you could group the shopping into categories.

Other handy phrases can also be programmed into spare pages, such as 'can you help me or I can't find what I am looking for.'



# Home to School News

Use the talking photo album to send messages from school to home and vice versa.

The person can tell anyone at home what they have done for the day.



# Today we went swimming



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# Make Activity Choice

Using the talking photo album, you can make choice of which activities you would like.

You can fill the album with photos of places to go, activities such as football, favourite choices to watch on TV , reading a book and so on and the user can indicate which activity they want to participate in.



# Talking social story

Give your social stories an auditory element to them.

The individual can now access their social story independently and have the story re-enforced with a real voice recording.



## Social Stories

