

NOVACHAT®: Using Computer Control



Important Functions

Below are the main Functions buttons on the NovaChat devices:

Menu Button allows you to determine which vocabulary file will be used, which augmentative options are enabled, how and when to speak messages, and how a wide variety of other options are configured.

Home Button navigates out of Chat Software to the Home screen of the Android software.

Back Button navigates to previous page or to previous Menu. Pressing and holding the Back button also reveals the Chat Software menu.

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You are now able to control an external computer (Windows, Mac, or Chromebook) using a WordPower60 Basic (PCS or SS) or MultiChat vocabulary. This is available to all users running Chat Software version 2.45 or above.

If you are running an existing personalised WordPower or MultiChat vocabulary, please contact Customer Support on 01733 370470 (Option 2) to transfer the relevant pages to your vocabulary.

You will need an InputStick which plugs into your computer. This is not supplied with the device; however, you can purchase one from our website [here](#). You may need to purchase an additional USB to USB-C adapter if plugging into a Chromebook.



SETTING UP & PAIRING YOUR INPUTSTICK

1. Plug the InputStick into your computer or Chromebook.
2. On your Chat device select **Menu > Application Settings > System > Bluetooth Settings**.
3. Scroll down and select **Use with InputStick**.
4. Select the InputStick you wish to use.
5. Press the Back button, then select **Keyboard Layout**.
6. Select either English UK for Windows computers, English UK Linux for Chromebooks, or English UK macOS for Mac devices.
7. Press the back button until you exit back to the vocabulary.

USING COMPUTER CONTROL IN MULTICHAT

1. Select **“Things” > “MORE THINGS” > “WRITE TO COMPUTER”**.
2. Select **“Send to Computer On/Off”** to connect to the InputStick.
3. Select your computer type – Chromebook, Mac, or Windows.

SETTING UP COMPUTER CONTROL IN WORDPOWER

If using Computer Control for the first time, follow the steps below to set up your Computer Control button.

1. Select **“ABC 123”** to bring up the keyboard page.
2. Select **“COMPUTER CONTROL” > Menu > Edit Mode**.
3. Press and hold the relevant **“COMPUTER CONTROL”** button for your computer type and select **Copy Button**.

4. Select **“Home” > “ABC 123”**, then press and hold on the Computer Control button.
5. Scroll down the list and select **Paste Button**. Turn off Edit Mode.
6. Select **“COMPUTER CONTROL”**.
7. Follow on from Step 3 below (**USING COMPUTER CONTROL IN WORDPOWER**).

USING COMPUTER CONTROL IN WORDPOWER

1. Select **“ABC 123”** to bring up the keyboard page.
2. Select **“COMPUTER CONTROL”**.
3. Select **“Comp Access ON/OFF”** to connect to the InputStick. A message near the bottom of the screen will briefly show “Connecting” and then “Connected”. You will also see the “connected” icon in the Speech Display Bar (SDB).
4. Select **“PROGRAMS/APPLICATIONS”**, then select the programme you wish to use (i.e. Word).
5. Select the **“Launch...”** button twice.
6. You can now use your vocabulary to control your computer.
7. To disconnect your device, select **“Comp Access ON/OFF”**. The icon in the SDB will disappear and a message near the bottom of the screen will briefly show “Disconnected”.

Hint: You can toggle between Computer Mode (where commands/text are sent to your computer) and Communication Mode (where commands/text stay on the Chat device) by pressing the icon in the SDB.

Icon	Mode & Description
	Connected and in Computer Mode – text will be sent to the computer
	Connected and in Communication Mode – text will not send beyond the Speech Display Bar
	Bluetooth disconnected and in Computer Mode – check connection between device, InputStick & computer. Text/commands will not send to the computer.