

### Preschool Vocabulary Inventory Sample

These vocabulary ideas may be considered in vocabulary selection. Vocabulary certainly does not have to be organized in this manner. Each activity within the student's school day/routine should be reviewed and vocabulary selected. Repetitive vocabulary, often referred to as core vocabulary, can be used throughout the day in most every activity. This vocabulary should always be placed in the same location on every overlay.

Activity	Activity Based Vocabulary	Commentary Vocabulary	Core Vocabulary	Classroom Engineering Suggestions
Arrival	Hang up coat Hang up book bag Can't reach Look in my book bag Coat/jacket Note in bookbag Medicine in bookbag Toys in bookbag	Sleepy Weather related comments Too heavy (bookbag) Silly Frustrated	I need help Finished Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait Ready Not ready My Turn Your Turn WOW Watch me	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Board/Strip <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures to bookbag with ring <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures directly to door/door frame
Pledge	Pledge of Allegiance	Long	Finished Again Ready Not ready	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures to desktop
Breakfast	Oatmeal Raisins Bagel Sprite Eat Drink Pour Fork Spoon Napkin Refrigerator Swallow spill	Yucky Yummy Cold Hot Messy Dirty Clean Share Lick Gross Nasty	Finished More Help Open Close Wash hands All gone Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait My Turn Your Turn WOW	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures to a placemat for lunch tray or plate to sit on <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures directly to lunchbox or lunch bag <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures directly to eating table
Clean-Up	Wipe Table/Sponge Spray cleaner Toys Shelves Put in Bucket Where Blocks Cars Farm animals Books Share	Heavy Easy Not fun Hurry Fast Slow	Finished More Help Open Close Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait My Turn Your Turn WOW Watch me Ready Not ready	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Board/Strip <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures to clean up bin lids

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Snack	specific snack foods Bowl Napkin Fork Spoon Plate/tray Napkin Preparation Vocabulary: Blender Stir Mix Box Pour	Yucky Yummy Cold Hot Messy Dirty Clean Fast Slow	Finished More Help Open/tear/cut Close Wash hands All gone Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait My Turn Your Turn WOW Watch me Ready Not ready	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures to a placemat for lunch tray or plate to sit on <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures directly to lunchbox or lunch bag <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures directly to eating table
Recess	Specific recess equipment Ball Swing See-saw Trampoline Run Walk Jump swing	Cold Hot Coat/jacket on Coat/jacket off loud	Help Finished Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait My Turn Your Turn WOW Again	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures to a bracelet/key ring bracelets <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures to belt clip key rings
Computer	On Off Can't hear Can't see Headphones Different program	Too loud Funny Silly Scary	Again More Finished Help Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait My Turn Your Turn WOW	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Board/Strip <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures around computer monitor <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures to computer table
Swing	Push Swing Sit down Buckle Hold on	Fast Slow High Sick Tickles tummy	Finished Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait My Turn Your Turn WOW Like Don't like	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures to bracelet or belt key ring

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Ball	Throw Catch Roll	Missed Bounce Uh oh Up high Tired	Help Again More Finished Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait My Turn Your Turn WOW	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures directly on the ball
Bathroom /Toileting	Potty/toilet/commode Diaper pants Socks Take off Put on Pull up/down Wipe Paper Flush Sit on/down Water Handle Wash hands	Wet Stinky Gross Loud Dirty Clean Nasty	More Finished All gone Help Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait My Turn Your Turn WOW Watch me	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures directly to bathroom wall/stall <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures over changing table <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures to mirror
Washing Hands	Water On/off (water) Hands Under/in Dry hands Towel Trash Rub Bubbles Rinse Wipe (counter) Soap Pour	Hot (water) Cold (water) Splash Fast (rub) Slow (rub)	On Off Finished Help Again More Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait My Turn Your Turn WOW	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Board/strip <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures to mirror
Work Time	Puzzles Bears Cards Nuts and bolts Sorting Matching Play-Doh Blocks	Fun Not fun Like Don't like Boring	More Finished All gone Help Open Close Again Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait My Turn Your Turn WOW	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Board/strip <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures directly to work table

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Puzzle	Puzzle piece In Out Find Where Turn Make it fit	Too hard Mad Doesn't fit Another/different one Fun Don't like it Boring	Help More Again Finished Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait My Turn Your Turn WOW	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Board/Strip
Play-Doh	Specific color Cutters Show me Cut Roll Pat Rolling pin	Squeeze Soft Hard Cold Don't like Like it	More Again Help Finished Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait My Turn Your Turn WOW	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Board/Strip <input type="checkbox"/> Storage bin lid in which play-doh accessories (rolling pins, cutters) are stored
Blocks/Legos	Lego Block Specific color Push Put On/on top Off Stack/build Fall down knock down	Tall Big Little Crash Fall over/down Careful/easy	More Again Help Finished Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait My Turn Your Turn WOW	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Board/Strip <input type="checkbox"/> Storage container for legos/blocks <input type="checkbox"/> Storage bin lid in which blocks/legos are stored
Music	Specific song Instruments Turn it on Sing Music Tape Put in Listen On Off Next Song Boom Box Different Song	Loud Quiet Like it Don't like Turn it up Turn it down Boring	Again More Help Finished Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait My Turn Your Turn WOW	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Board/Strip <input type="checkbox"/> Storage container/lid in which instruments are stored
Community	Specific places On/off Bus Specific items needed Bookbag Jacket	Fun Not fun Like it Don't like it Smells bad Smells good Too tired Hungry	Help Again Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait My Turn Your Turn WOW	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Board/Strip <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures to key ring bracelet or belt key ring <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Wallet

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Story Time	Book Specific stories to choose from) Read Turn the page Let me Look Listen	Louder Go back Another/different one Next page "the end" like it scary funny	Help Again More Finished Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait My Turn Your Turn WOW	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Board/Strip <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures directly in/on book
Art	Glue Crayon/marker Glitter Cotton Specific colors for markers/crayons Scissors Paper Paint Water Look at mine	Sticky Messy Pretty Put on board/hang up In my bookbag Ugly/yucky Wet/dry (for glue/paint) Dirty Clean Look Look at mine	Help More Finished Let me see Wash hands Name on paper Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait My Turn Your Turn WOW Ready Not ready	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Board/Strip <input type="checkbox"/> Storage containers/bin lids in which art supplies are stored <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures around edges of painting easel <input type="checkbox"/> Put clean up pictures around sink or mirror
Bubbles	Blow Pop Up Towel Let me Bubbles catch	Slimy Gross Wet Big Little Down Uh-oh Spill messy	All gone More Help Finished Again Open Close Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait My Turn Your Turn WOW	<input type="checkbox"/> Communication Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Board/Strip <input type="checkbox"/> Storage bin lid in which bubbles are stored
Walk, wagon ride, wheelchair walk	Stop Go Destination (lunchroom, playground, home, daycare, bus, car, van, another classroom, bathroom) Specific things you might see	Fast Slow Zig-zag	Finished Help Again Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait My Turn Your Turn WOW	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Board/Strip <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures to key ring bracelet or belt key ring

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Barn/Farm Animal Play	Barn Red Specific Animals Fence Grass In Out Barn Door Hungry (Animals) Thirsty (Animals) Eating Drinking Water Mommy/Baby	Fun Silly Turn Fell Down Hurt Come out Walk Fast Run Fast Jump (over fence)	Again More Where Finished Help Uh-oh Oh-no Wait My Turn Your Turn Open (Barn Door) Close (Barn Door)	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Board/Strip <input type="checkbox"/> Attach Pictures to toy barn/roof/door <input type="checkbox"/> Attach Pictures to storage bin of animals/farm parts
Departure	Bye Get bookbag Get/put on jacket/coat Get papers Destination (lunchroom, playground, home, daycare, bus, car, van, another classroom, bathroom) Weather related (rainy, sunny, hot, cold, cloudy) See you tomorrow	Excited Don't want to go Mad Bad day Good day	Open (door) Close (door) Uh-Oh Oh-No Wait My Turn Your Turn WOW	<input type="checkbox"/> Device Overlay <input type="checkbox"/> Communication Board/Strip <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures to bookbag with ring <input type="checkbox"/> Attach pictures directly to door/door frame

Initially, with each activity, start out with a few vocabulary needs for that activity. As the student is using the vocabulary independently, additional pictures may be added. It is always important to train pictures before expecting the student to use them to communicate. This can often be accomplished by the teacher showing the student the picture paired with the event/activity/item prior to placing it on the communication device and expecting the student to use the picture.

Remember to model the use of pictures and the communication device for the student to see how it should be used. It's also fun to let peers use the device to model the use. When attaching pictures to different places around the classroom, always place them where they are convenient to use and reference. Also, be sure your students can reach them to point to when they are ready! **Have Fun!!**