

Cars!

Start your engines! Ready, set, go! Use your imagination to have fun with a car race or hold races between anything with wheels. It's a great way to enjoy time indoors while we wait for better weather. It's also a blast to host a car race outside. Use cardboard to make a racetrack or a ramp. Let's go and focus on the fun!

CORE WORDS

Want	I
Like	You
Big	My
Little	Good
Colors	Try
Go	That
Stop	Fast
Again	Slow
First	Last

MATERIALS

Vehicles of different type, size, and color	AAC Device
	AAC User
Optional: track, ramp	You

Model It on the AAC Device



Modeling on your child's device is just "talking" using his/her language! When you say a word with your voice, also say it using your child's device. Look up the words that you are going model using WORD FINDER before you start playing. Start with one word and then add 1-2 words.

Reasons to Communicate	One Word	Two Words	Three (+) Words
Getting Wants/Needs Met (requesting objects/activities/ permission/attention, etc., directing action/to stop, request help)	Want That Push Go Again Colors Help Look Stop	You do I go I want Need help Want + size Want + color Do again Size + color I/You stop	I can help It go fast Want +size+color I want+color I go again You go again Don't want +color I can do it You stop that
Exchange Information (share and show objects, confirm/deny, request information, etc.)	I You Like That Not Stop Want First Last Try	I go You go Try again What color? Go fast Go slow Like that Don't like Color + go Color+win	I will go You can go You go next It go(es) fast That go(es) slow I like that I don't like that Look at that Try it again Color+ is fast
Social Closeness/Etiquette (greet, take turns, comment, etc.)	I You Again Like Fast Wow Oh no Uh-oh Cool Yikes	I do You go Good try Like that That fast Try again Look out Look cool That slow Look out	I like it I do it Color+ is first You did it It's my turn I like +color That is cool Will it be fast/slow Color+is last That was a good try

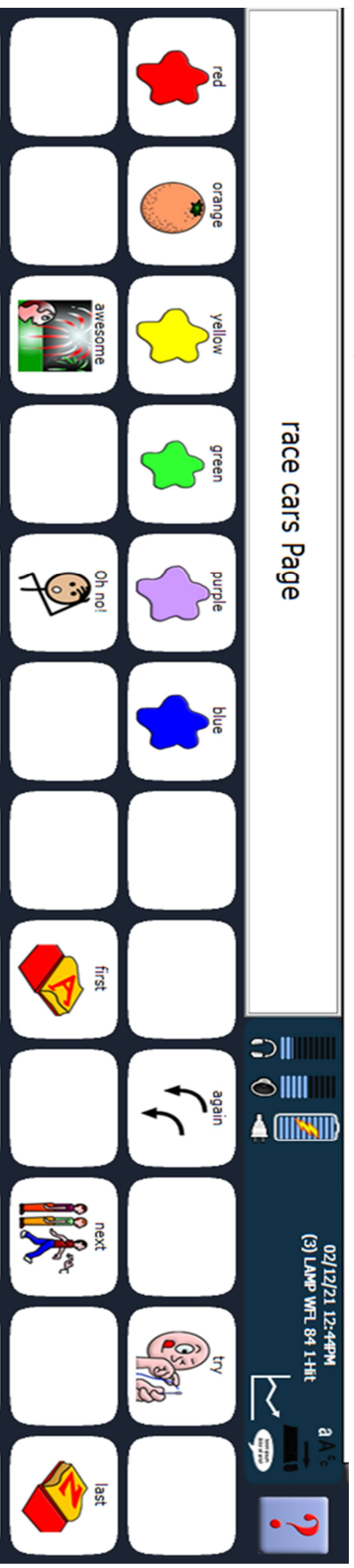
Tips to Engage, Expand, and Succeed:

- Let's have fun and enjoy the thrill of the race! Use cardboard or blocks to make a road; maybe have the cars start at the top of a ramp to give them a little more speed. You can even use a stopwatch to see which car has the fastest time on the track. From choosing the size and color of the vehicle, to making comments on the speed of the racers there are many opportunities to use core vocabulary. Keep your language natural and use this time to model on the AAC device.
- Imaginative play provides opportunities to focus on different categories of core words. Here are some categories and words you may want to focus on:
 - Organizing and sequencing: **first, next, last**
 - Colors
 - Describing: **fast, slow, big, little, first, last**
 - Comparisons: **faster, fastest, slower, slowest, best**
 - Comments: **cool, awesome, wow, oh no, yikes**
- Talk about what happens as the vehicles race "**Oh no!** The **blue** truck **fell over.**"; "Look at her **green** car **go!**"; "That **purple** car is **cool!**"
- Host a winners circle to celebrate the vehicles that win the most races "The **little red** car is the **fastest**". You can also work on sportsmanship "**Good try** blue truck!"

<https://aacianguagelab.com/resources/unity-manual-communication-boards> You can add these a three ring binder, OR you can Velcro these to the top of a single page low-tech core word board.



You can add this one to the LAMP WFL or Unity 84 low tech board.



You can add this one to the Unity 28, 36, 45, or 60 low tech board.

