

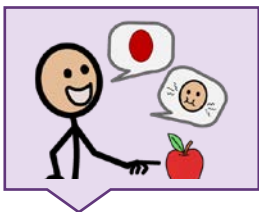
Let's teach tell

We all **TELL** people things every day. We **TELL** things by talking, drawing, texting, making facial expressions or gestures. We **TELL** people everything: stories, information about ourselves, how to do things, what happened, what's wrong, secrets, and the list goes on. Chances are we **TELL** the learner to **TELL** us things. There are also likely times when the learner gets our attention or drags us over to something. In these moments, he/she is likely trying to **TELL** us something.



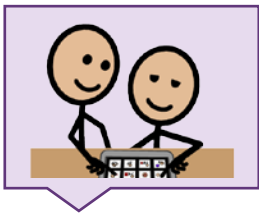
FIND

Find the word in the vocabulary. **TELL** is a verb, so it will typically be a green word. It is often located on the ACTIONS page of many vocabularies. If you can't find **TELL**, use the Word Finder feature to learn where it is. If it is not in the vocabulary, you may want to add it.



INTRODUCE

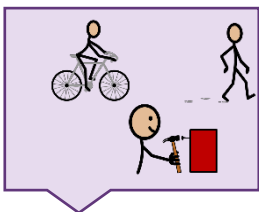
Use **TELL** in context and try to explain it at the learner's level. Modeling, touching the word in the vocabulary as you say it, may help. Here's an example: "**TELL** means to say something or talk. I **TELL** you that I love you. I can **TELL** you a story."



MODEL

Model the word throughout the day, touching **TELL** in the vocabulary anytime you say it.

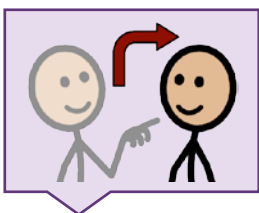
- "Let's **TELL** a story."
- "**TELL** me about your weekend."
- "Don't **TELL** on me."
- "**TELL** me what's wrong."
- "I'm **TELLING** Mom."



ENCOURAGE

Create activities to provide lots of models and practice with **TELL**.

- Book: **TELL** Me Again About the Night I Was Born, Jamie Lee Curtis
- Activity: The Telephone Game, Each person has to **TELL** the person next to him/her the message. "**TELL** + Name."



EXPECT

Create opportunities for the learner to say the word. Make sure to wait and look at them so they know it is expected.

- Let the learner be the one to lead the group during morning meeting and say "**TELL** me the weather. **TELL** me..."
- Find times when the learner wants to know more information and have him/her say "Can you **TELL** me?"