

WordPower Saltillo 2020!

Hallmark Features, Current Vocabularies, New Supports & Vocabulary Management Options



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Learner Outcomes

1. Participants will be able to discuss WordPower-Saltillo and TouchChat AAC suite (14 vocabulary files including 3 Spanish files and 2 scanning files), including hallmark features and guiding principles, and consistency of design within vocabulary files.
2. Participants will be able to explain current and innovative tools found in WordPower including literacy and written language supports, texting, and new social networking tools (Emojis), voice assist (Alexa, Hey Siri), and use of PROFILES for bilingual communicators.
3. Participants will be able to locate and use new implementation supports.

Summary:

WordPower is the flagship language software for the Saltillo communication devices as well as for the TouchChat iOS app. WordPower for Saltillo was originally released in early 2011. In the last seven years, the vocabulary has grown into a suite of 14 vocabulary files, including three Spanish files and two scanning files. All files have consistent architecture, vocabulary features, and current mobile technology structures. We will present an analysis of the current WordPower- Saltillo & TouchChat.

Over the years, changes have been made to support higher levels of linguistic competence – spoken as well as written communication. The ability to generate written communication for the purposes of texting or saving to a document is now incorporated into each vocabulary version.

This analysis will support the thousands of people using and supporting this software with current and updated information on the entire suite of files. Saltillo's new education and training program will be demonstrated as we support these robust files with social networking strategies, life-long implementation tools, interactive webinars, and teaching supports for people using these products.

WordPower - An AAC vocabulary design. A complete suite of 14 files that include consistent key elements and vocabulary elements

❖ All Files:

- robust core vocabulary (color coding & logical arrangement)
- spelling
- word prediction
- semantic categories
- logical next words
- word completion (morphology)

❖ Basic Files: WP42 Basic & WP60 Basic, WP48 Español Básico & WP60 Español Básico

- Beginning keyboards
- Strategies to reduce language load while 'learning'
- Educational vocabulary and literacy support tools

- ❖ **Access Files:** WP20, WP25, and WP140:
 - WP20 and WP25 user friendly for those needing fewer targets and larger buttons
 - WP25 and WP140 set up with 'scanner' in mind, but also appropriate for direct selection
 - Custom scan patterns in WP140 Scan & Touch

- ❖ **Spanish Files:** WP48 Español, WP48 Español Básico & WP60 Español Básico:
 - Spanish WP files created to provide the same easy and intuitive system found in WP English
 - WP60 Español Básico designed to complement & mirror English WP60 Basic

Vocabulary files are available on the NovaChat, ChatFusion and TouchChat App platforms.

Key Elements available in all vocabularies

- ✓ All files contain robust vocabularies with consistent key elements and vocabulary architectures. (2000+ words)
- ✓ Advances in technology and programming features enable the growth of vocabulary and use of interactive tools
- ✓ WordPower vocabularies are designed to be logical, intuitive, easy to use
- ✓ Consistent key elements and layout design provide a rule governed system
- ✓ Common features available in all files support the transition between files

❖ **10 key elements found in all files**

1. High frequency core vocabulary – research driven
2. Consistent layout and color coding across vocabularies
3. Spelling pages with word prediction - keyboard options
4. Semantic categories: PEOPLE, PLACES, QUESTIONS, ART, MONEY, etc.
5. SOCIAL pages and Visual Scenes to enhance quick and interactive communication, as well as emotional intelligence
6. Logical next words
7. Word completion – allowing for accurate grammar/morphology
8. Smart punctuation (. ? !)
9. Keystroke efficiency tools
10. A-Z convention for verbs and adjectives

Basic Files:

- **WP42 Basic, WP60 Basic, WP48 Español Básico, & WP60 Español Básico**

All Basic Files include:

1. ****Increased symbol support**
2. Yes/No on home and category pages (WP60 & WP60 Español Básico)
3. Sentence starters on the main page
4. Symbols chosen for easy identification and transparency
5. **** High frequency core verbs link directly to category pages**
6. Lock Page function
7. Social pages for quick interaction and emotional regulation
8. **** Core vocabulary embedded within category pages**
9. Early books to support literacy and engagement
10. Low-tech boards

Access Files:

- **WP20** and **WP25** user friendly for those needing fewer targets and larger buttons
- **WP25** and **WP140** set up with visual ‘scanners’ in mind, also appropriate for direct selection
- New Saltillo scanning features incorporated
 - **Fewer cells for easy access:**
 - WordPower20 Simply, WordPower25 Scan & Touch
 - **Programmed for scanners:**
 - WordPower25 Touch & Scan, WordPower140 Scan & Touch

Spanish WP files: provides the same easy, intuitive vocab found in English WordPower

- **WP48 Español**
- **WP48 Español Básico**
- **WP60 Español Básico** - designed to complement and mirror WordPower60 Basic for the bilingual user

Literacy Supports

- ✓ Features to support reading, writing and talking embedded within all files
- ✓ Writing with “SAVE DOCUMENT” / STORIES & SCRIPTS feature
- ✓ Book pages support 11 Early books & literacy development
- ✓ STORY CONCEPTS Page in WordPower60 and above
- ✓ Easy access to texting & sharing text
- ✓ Multiple keyboard options for access and preference
- ✓ Phonics pages



SAVE DOCUMENT / STORIES & SCRIPTS

- Ready to use buttons and pages in WordPower
- Set up to store writing of the client
- Can import the pages into other files or recreate on your own
- Allows for building stories and retelling
- Use it to store beginning scribbling/writing
- Create a social script for the client to use in specific scenarios



EARLY BOOKS

- Book pages support early books & literacy development
- Found in: WP42 Basic, WP60 Basic, WP60 Español Básico

Texting

- Easy access to texting & sharing text for use with TouchChat and NovaChat/ ChatFusion

Voice Assist

- Voice assist (Alexa, Siri) commands are programmed into the WordPower vocabulary files
- A few environmental control/Home assistance commands are also available

Implementation Resources

- www.saltillo.com – Saltillo’s resource materials are located in “Chat Corner,” found under the IMPLEMENTATION tab
- www.inmaninnovations.com – Inman Innovations website
- www.youtube.com/user/saltilocorp – Saltillo YouTube Channel
- www.touchchatapp.com – TouchChat app website
- <https://aaclanguagelab.com>– AAC Language Lab

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IMPLEMENTATION RESOURCES Nancy Inman, Rena Carney, Lisa Timm

<p>IMPLEMENTATION RESOURCES are available on: ExploreAAC https://exploreaac.com Saltillo_ https://saltillo.com/ TouchChat app https://touchchatapp.com/ Inman Innovations www.inmaninnovations.com YouTube Channel: Saltillo www.youtube.com/user/saltillocorp TouchChat https://www.youtube.com/user/touchchat1 Facebook: Saltillo, NovaChat/Chat Fusion, TouchChat, TouchChat User Twitter @SaltilloBrand Instagram Saltillo_Brand</p>	
Vocabulary Files and Key Elements	<p>An overview of all WordPower Files: www.inmaninnovations.com WordPower Manual: http://www.inmaninnovations.com/documents/WordPower-Manual-for-Saltillo.pdf https://saltillo.com/chatcorner/content/70</p>
Basic Files	<p>Use the Saltillo calendar as a teaching tool. (Chat Corner): 2018 Saltillo Calendar Supports Create visual language supports (Youtube) “Oh, the Things You Can Do! A Chat Editor Make ‘n Take”: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MdXwk1mu8Wk</p>
Access Files	<p>Brief view of scanning options (Youtube): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ruVUr_5A8kU&t=85s&list=PL8_c51K6963eKzxE3Kw_x0INM7KAaofc&index=6</p>
Español Básico	<p>WordPower48 Español Basico – Teaching Tips & Picture Support WordPower60 Español Básico- Teaching Tips & Picture Supports What's New with WordPower Español - January 2018.pdf Bilingual WordPower: WordPower60 Español Básico-45 minute training (Youtube): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SkMctGx8Bm4&index=6&list=PL8_c51K6963fVSebQKS_u-GSNit8sOdlu&t=5s</p>
Literacy Supports	<p>Books and Stories-11 (Youtube): https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL8_c51K6963fxhN44z9CRs-l_ot1FoVb2 Stories and Scripts Tutorial (Youtube): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L6YWLIEXwug&t=8s</p>
Texting	<p>TEXTING with Chat Software (Youtube): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sQRLVIA1EiQ&t=10s</p>
Voice Assist	<p>VOICE ASSISTANTS (Youtube): https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sjdsWYMbszw</p>