

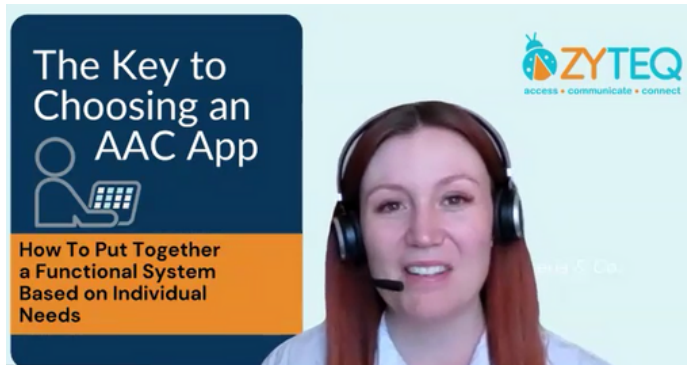
Are You Aware of These
3 Common Barriers
to Selecting an
AAC App?

REVEALED:



Learn how to use clinical reasoning to cut through the overwhelm and avoid these barriers.

The Key to Choosing an AAC App



The Challenges

- There are dozens of AAC apps available! Some of them have one vocabulary and some of them have lots of different page sets and vocabularies to choose from. So, how are you going to narrow down the choices?
- It can be hard to know to start when there are so many choices available to you, especially if you're new to working with clients needing AAC or
- You might be an early career clinician and you are keen to learn as much as you possibly can, about the world of AAC.
- Maybe you have the occasional client who needs AAC and it's really hard to keep up with the changing technologies and all the different devices that are available.

Why Do You Need a Process?

Today we'd like to share our step-by-step process,

- so we can all be sure that the app selected is based on clinical reasoning,
- with the user at the centre and
- the outcome is a functional system designed to meet the user's needs today and in the future.

We'll give you as much as we can in this document and we'll tell you how you can get further support.

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Watch Out for These Barriers to Selecting the Right AAC app



How Clinical Reasoning Can Guide You

Starting With the Tool

You've heard about an AAC app. Or a client requests a specific one. But starting with a tool instead of the person often leads to poor fit and frustration.

Start with the Person and Their Individual Needs

What are their goals?
What do they want to do?
What environment are relevant?

Basing a Decision on only 1 or 2 Features

Choosing an app that you know best, or that's used by the school, or is cheapest may mean narrowing options too early and not considering all that's required.

Thorough Feature Matching

We want to avoid narrowing the options too early to ensure all features needed are considered, and then they can be prioritised.

Ignoring the Full System

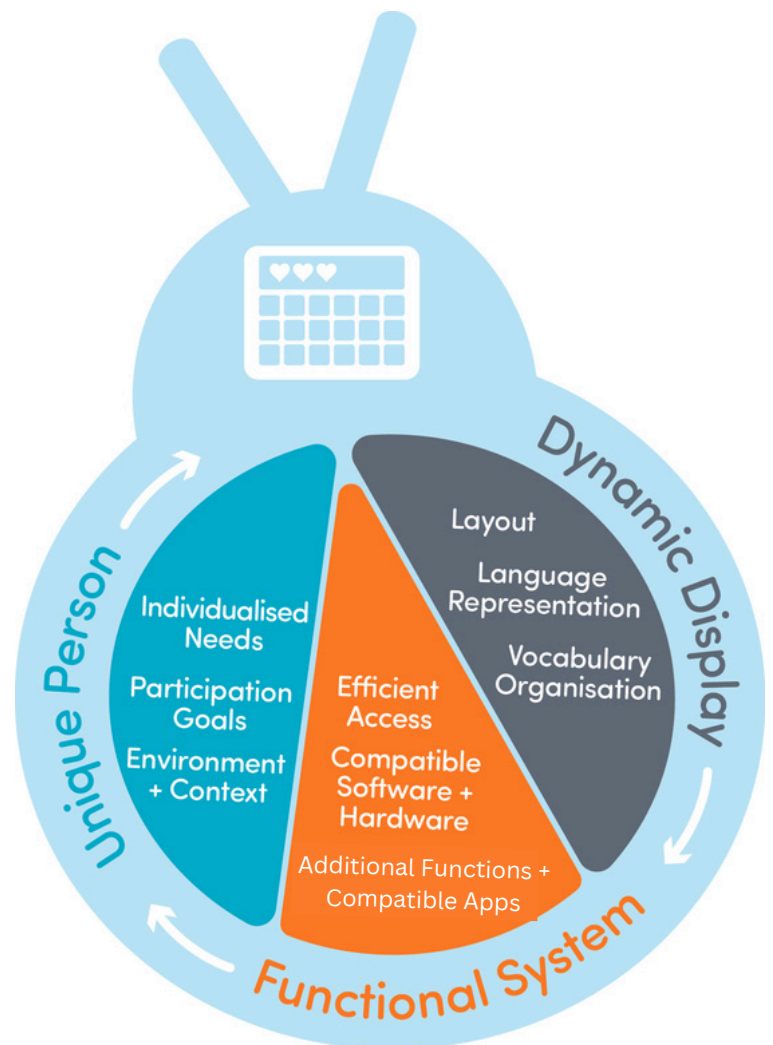
Apps don't exist in isolation. What about hardware compatibility? Future access methods like eye gaze, or other functions like phone access or social media?

Ensure A Functional System Based on Individual Needs

We need to understand how the app fits into the whole system and supports the user's current and future needs

Page Set + App Selection Framework by Zyteq

The key to choosing an AAC app is to use clinical reasoning and follow a step-by-step process. We want to gather information about the unique person, understand their goals and the necessary features required so we can put together a functional system based on their individual needs and to help the person to achieve their goals now and in the future.



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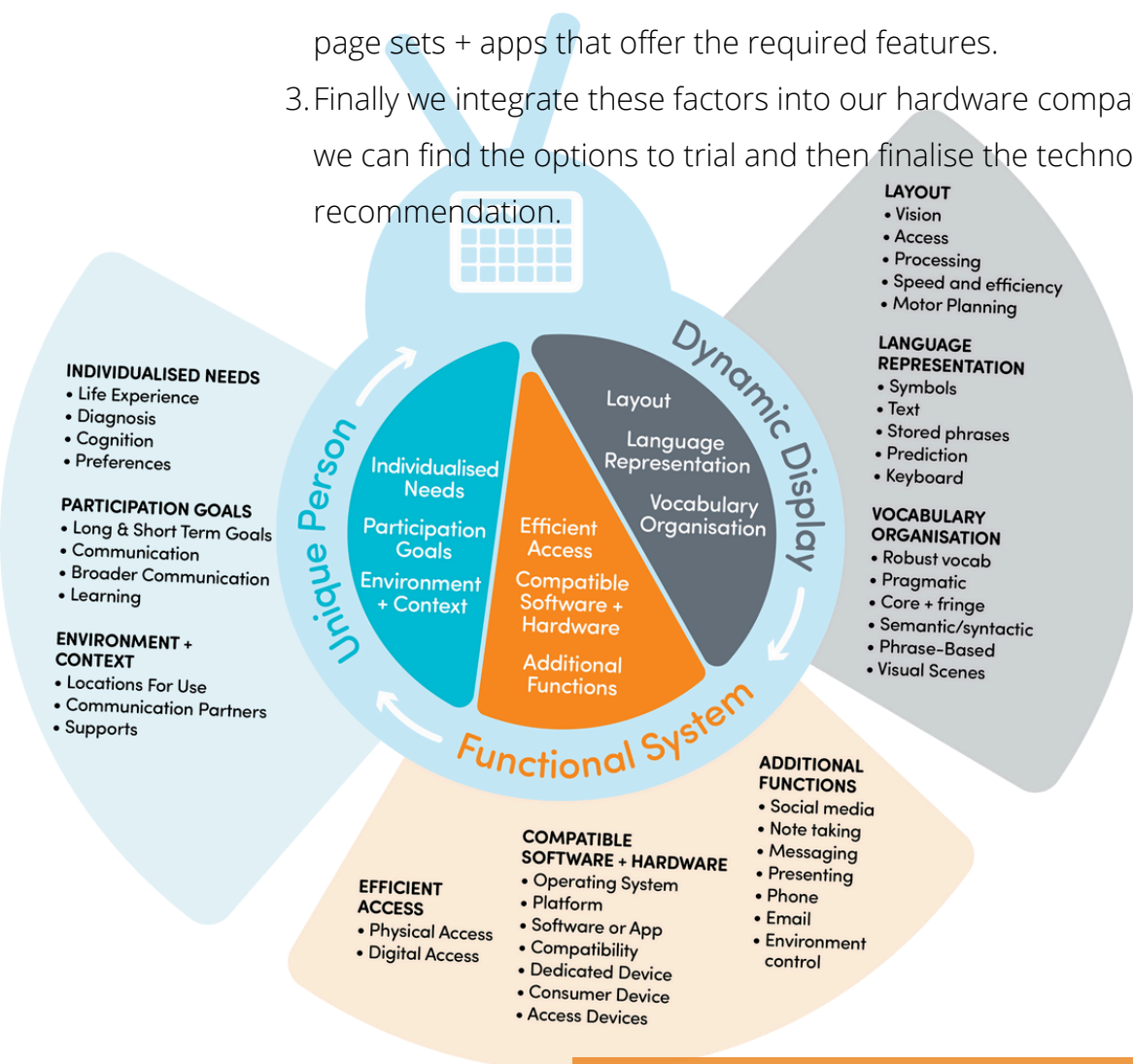
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How to Use This Framework

1. We start with the person and identifying the individual's needs, preferences and requirements. A range of existing formal tools including interview and observation, may be used for this step.
2. Next we match features the individual needs as we move to narrow down the page sets + apps that offer the required features.
3. Finally we integrate these factors into our hardware compatibility flow chart so we can find the options to trial and then finalise the technology recommendation.



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How do we use a process to put together a functional system, based on individual needs and clinical reasoning?



This case story is provided as an example only; the name and image have been changed to protect privacy.

We'll introduce you to our Page Set and App Selection framework

by gathering the details of Rita's story and then we will map them against our process. We want to be sure we put together a functional system based on her individual needs and clinical reasoning. So we need to identify individual needs, preferences, and requirements and integrate these into the AAC technology recommendation.

Introducing Rita; she's a very active artist who spends her free time taking art classes and painting, and she works part-time as a mentor in one-to-one sessions.

Currently she communicates predominantly using speech and the people who know her well can understand her when it's face to face, but she does tend to avoid conversations over the phone.

She has an iPad with a free app that she uses to communicate with people who have trouble understanding her. She types a message and then she'll show the other person the typed message without speaking it out loud. At the moment, Rita relies on other people to help her with her social media. She can write the message in her app, but then she needs to ask other people to post those messages for her because the boxes on the screen are just too small for her to manage.

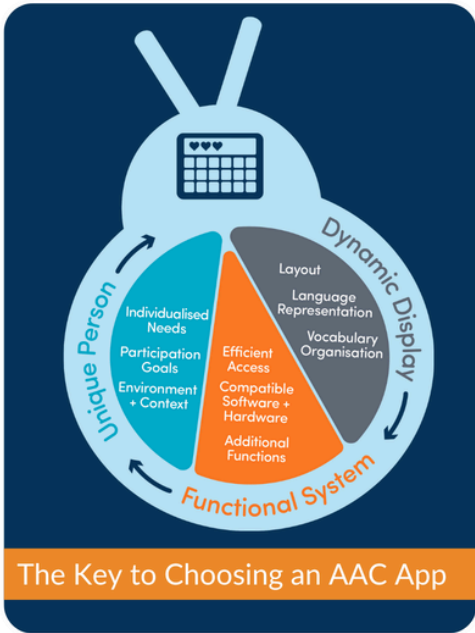
Rita has recently set some goals. She's keen to move to tutoring in a group setting.

She also is keen to be more independent with her social media. She doesn't quite have the right tools in her toolbox to reach those goals. The current system that she has for communicating with others is limited.

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Next we'll use our framework to provide our step-by-step process to identify the features Rita needs to help her to achieve her goals, and with the ultimate goal to put together a functional system, based on individual needs and clinical reasoning.

This is a high level summary, as the actual process usually takes some weeks or months to complete.

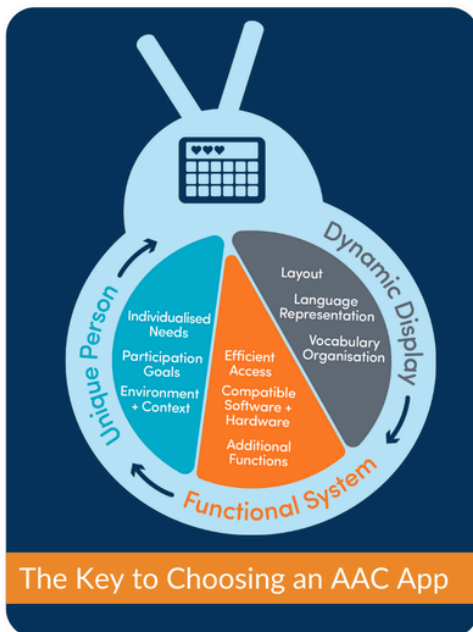
We would use our checklists to compile the features identified.

Unique Person

When thinking about Rita as a unique person, based on our information gathering, we know that Rita enjoys painting and attends art classes and works as a mentor in a one-to-one setting with the aim of providing group mentoring to students. Her speech is understood by familiar people in face-to-face settings, but she avoids phone calls as it can lead to communication breakdowns. We also know that Rita wants to use social media independently without relying on others to assist her to access it and her current system limits her ability to do that. Rita wants a system that will provide her with voice output using text-to-speech, so that she can communicate clearly in a group session with students or on the phone, as well as independent access to her social media account.

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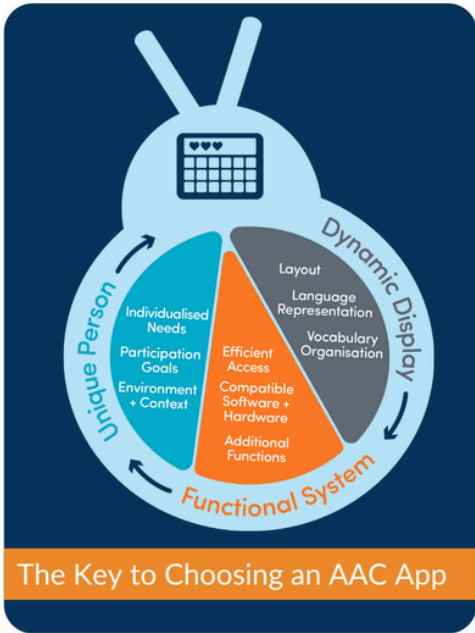
Dynamic Display

So, now let's consider the dynamic display.

- Rita will need an AAC system with text-to-speech as this will augment her communication and reduce communication breakdowns.
- The option for predictive text and stored phrases, will help her efficiency when talking with her students.
- When talking in a group setting with her students, loudspeakers will help Rita to project across a loud or busy environment.
- Page sets for additional functions and compatible apps will be important.

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Functional System

Accessible apps will also provide Rita with larger onscreen buttons to operate her social media accounts with more independence.

Rita wants to talk on the phone and assistance with phone connectivity that will allow her to augment her speech, using a an inbuilt synthesised voice, will result in fewer communication breakdowns and increase her independence.

- We can narrow down some functional systems for Rita to consider and trial using our hardware compatability flow chart.
- We could reevaluate her current iPad and mobile phone to determine if they could be adapted to increase her independence.
- We could also look at a Windows tablet to see if Rita would benefit from additional features, such as accessible apps with larger icons.
- Finally, we could explore some dedicated device options to investigate if inbuilt loudspeakers, will support her communication in her group mentoring sessions.

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Finally we integrate all the elements by using our hardware compatibility flow chart. with the ultimate goal to put together a functional system, based on individual needs and clinical reasoning.

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Functional System: Hardware Compatability Flow Chart



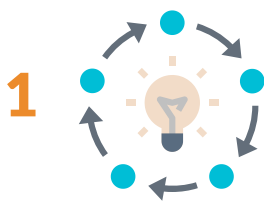
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A Dynamic Methodical Process

Methodically addressing all the key evaluation elements, ensures the individual's needs are met AND as the process is dynamic it ensures changes are factored in for increased implementation success.



Integrated Technology Solution

This framework ensures the hardware and software, including any specialised access are all compatible, and can meet the client's changing needs. It is so much more than just page set selection.



The Missing Piece for Your Tool-Kit

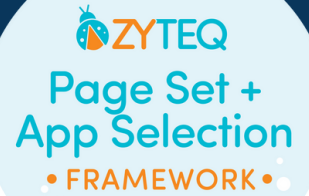
Add this framework to the well-known AAC tools you may already use too bring together the essential elements in a multi-modal solution.

After completing this course you will be able to:

- understand the foundation elements and dynamic process for selecting a page set, grid set or app.
- identify individual needs, preferences and requirements and integrate these into AAC technology recommendations for complete devices.
- apply efficient practice and clinical reasoning to systematically consider the array of options, to match the person to the technology.
- apply the framework as part of your decision-making process, resulting in sound recommendations.

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Course Overview:

- **Understand the Essentials:** Learn the foundational elements and dynamic processes for selecting page sets, grid sets, or apps.
- **Personalise Your Approach:** Identify and integrate individual needs, preferences, and requirements into AAC technology recommendations.
- **Apply Clinical Reasoning:** Systematically evaluate options to match the right technology to each individual.
- **Utilise a Structured Framework:** Apply a robust framework to ensure sound, effective recommendations.

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Course Content

Informed Page Set Selection is a practical, self-paced online course designed for AAC clinicians who want to make confident, client-centred decisions about selecting page sets, apps, and devices. It's all about making informed decisions at each step. The ultimate aim is to ensure the device selected provides a functional system based on the individual's needs, with all elements working seamlessly together. So it's about more than the software. The hardware and platform are all taken into account, and this course covers all of the content you need to learn about all elements of a functional systems. It's all about making informed decisions at each step.

At the heart of this course is a clear purpose: to match the person to the right technology – not the other way around. That's why our framework begins with the individual – their needs, goals, preferences, and environments – and we build from there. You'll be guided step-by-step through Zyteq's Page Set and App Selection Framework, developed from decades of AAC clinical experience. Across 11 videos all topics are expertly by Zyteq's experienced AT Consultant, Speech Pathologists.

This App and Page Set Selection Framework forms the basis for the course:

- **The Unique Person** – Start with understanding the individual's goals, strengths, access methods, and communication environments. This foundation ensures that all technology decisions are grounded in personal relevance.

IPSS – Section 1: Unique Person – Individualised Needs 📺 19 minutes

IPSS – Section 1: Unique Person – Environment, Contexts and Participation Goals 📺 29 minutes

- **The Dynamic Display** – Dive into the features of AAC systems, including language representation methods, vocabulary organisation, and symbol supports. This section equips you to evaluate the suitability of different page sets and apps.

IPSS – Section 2: Dynamic Display – Vocabulary Selection and Language Representation 📺 40 minutes

IPSS – Section 2: Dynamic Display – Language Representation Continued 📺 32 minutes

IPSS – Section 2: Dynamic Display – Vocabulary Organisation 📺 21 minutes

- **The Functional System** – Bring everything together by considering system layout, compatibility, additional functions (like using a phone, accessing media, or controlling the environment), and the overall usability of the solution.

IPSS – Section 3: Functional System – Efficient Access 📺 33 minutes

IPSS – Section 3: Functional System – Layout and Accessible Apps 📺 22 minutes

IPSS – Section 3: Functional System – Additional Functions 📺 18 minutes

IPSS – Section 3: Functional System – Software and Hardware Compatibility 📺 28 minutes

IPSS – Section 3: Finalising Decisions for a Functional System 📺 17 minutes

Through these modules, you'll:

- Understand the foundational elements and dynamic process of selecting a page set, grid set, or AAC app.
- Identify and integrate individual needs into your clinical decision-making for full AAC solutions.
- Apply efficient clinical reasoning to consider the full array of options and match the person to the right technology.
- Use the framework confidently to guide your recommendations and create sound, effective outcomes for your clients.

Case studies, practical examples, and expert insights from Zyteq's team bring the learning to life – making this course both immediately useful and deeply grounded in evidence-based practice.

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