# Abilitations Pull-Talk Activity Guide

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# Introduction

Introducing the Pull-Talk, another Abilitations Creation sent our way by a special education teacher. This hand held device is ideal for non-verbal children to communicate simple needs with ease and portability. The Pull-Talk is a hand held device that features 5 clear pockets (to put your own images, words or photos in) on a detachable, retractable belt clip. Communication with picture or word symbols has never been more accessible!

Although ideal for non-verbal users, Pull-Talk can also be used by verbal children as well to improve reading skills and sight word recognition.



## **Product Use**

To put your Pull-Talk to use, simply place a picture, symbol or word card inside in some or all of the clear plastic pockets. Card size width should be around 2" if custom made, or use one or all of the Communication Card Sets sold separately. You may use one or more cards in the Pull-Talk pouches depending on size. Because the plastic pockets are detachable, you may want to have several sets. Card themes may revolve around:

- Pictures/Words of familiar people: (mom, dad, teacher, therapist)
- Pictures/Words of common needs: (eat, drink, bathroom, help)
- Pictures/Words of identifying information (name, address, diagnosis, emergency contact)
- Sight word vocabulary cards

You can also order extra sets of the clear pouches (sold in sets of 4) and make set themes which can be used interchangeably by unhooking the pockets from the keychain at the base clip. Have one set of cards for home; another for school, etc. that can quickly be switched out.

#### **Modifications**

You can also use one or all of the Communication Card Sets sold separately. Each set has 17 cards that can be slipped into the Pull-Talk pockets. Themes are:

- At Home
- At School
- Feelings
- Action

# Care & Safety

The Pull-Talk is made of reinforced nylon webbing with clear plastic acrylic pockets. To clean your Pull-Talk, wipe down surfaces with a damp cloth or germicidal wipe.

## **Recommended Products**

If you like the Pull-Talk, consider these other fine Abilitations products:

- Personal Communication Book #023921
- Interactive Reading books: Assorted Titles for Action, Vocabulary, Feelings and More (see catalog or website for item numbers)
- Button Talk: Item #1320523
- Just Synonyms Cards: Item #1372628
- Just Associations Cards: Item #1354432



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