

Unity® AAC iOS App





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<u>Our team is here to help</u> you make the most of your communication device and supporting apps. Whether you need help with new software or want to explore new ways to optimise your AAC setup, we're just a call or click away.

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General Questions

Q: What is Unity® vocabulary?

A: Unity® is a research-backed Minspeak vocabulary system that uses multi-meaning icons with consistent motor patterns. Each word has the same motor movement sequence every time, building automatic recall and communication confidence. It features organisational word/grammar structure with symbol family trees.

Q: What grid sizes are available?

A: Unity® AAC offers 28, 36, 60, and 84 grid layouts. Grid size variation allows for different access and visual complexity needs.



Q: What's the difference between 1-Hit and Sequenced vocabulary?

A: 1-Hit vocabulary provides immediate access to core words with single touches - perfect for immediate communication needs. Sequenced vocabulary requires two touches for most core words and provides access to a larger vocabulary with consistent motor patterns.

Q: Can I trial Unity before purchasing?

A: Yes! Start with Unity Discover® (completely free) to explore the Unity® vocabulary. When ready, activate your 30-day trial of the full Unity® AAC app to experience all features and grid sizes.

Q: Is Unity suitable for beginners?

A: Absolutely. Unity®'s 1-Hit vocabulary provides immediate success with core words, while the progression to Sequenced vocabulary allows natural development of motor planning skills. Activity sets are also included and designed for teaching early/first words.

Q: What devices support Unity?

A: Unity® AAC and Unity AAC Discover® runs on iPhone, iPad, and Mac computers with iOS 15.0 or later. It's also available on our Via devices as a dedicated device option. Currently English only.

Comparison Questions

Q: How does Unity® compare to LAMP Words For Life®?

A: If you know LAMP Words For Life®, the Unity vocabularies will feel very familiar. LAMP Words For Life ® is based on some of the same Minspeak® principles as Unity®. Unity® AAC offers grid size variety (28, 36, 60, 84) that can be used with a LAMP® therapy approach. However, try not to compare these apps directly – they serve different needs.

Q: How does Unity® compare to other vocabularies?

A: Unity® uses semantic compaction (meaning-based) rather than category-based organisation. Multi-meaning icons and symbol family trees allow access to large vocabularies with fewer buttons presses while maintaining consistent motor patterns.

Q: Can Unity® AAC work as a backup for my Accent device?

A: Some Unity® word pathways are different on the app versus the Accent - files won't transfer between Accent and iOS. However, the app can serve as a backup for your Via device, and both use the same foundational Minspeak approach.



Q: Is Unity® AAC a companion app for Accent?

A: No, Unity® AAC is not a companion app for Accent. The app is a reworking of Unity® vocabulary for the iOS environment. While there are similarities, an evaluator or communication partner wouldn't use the app for modelling for a Unity® on Accent communicator due to some different word placements

Features and Functionality

Q: What enhanced features does the Unity® AAC app have?

A: The Unity® AAC app includes reduced keystrokes (working toward three touches), drop down nouns/activity row restructure, learning word prediction, movable cursor in speech display bar, and enhanced data collection with Realize Language[™].

Q: Can I customise Unity® AAC vocabulary?

A: Unity® AAC includes Vocabulary Builder for focusing on specific words, Word Finder to locate words or button paths, and the ability to add personalised vocabulary and edit individual buttons.

Q: What access methods does Unity® AAC support?

A: Unity® AAC supports direct selection, AeroSwitch® scanning, and head-tracking access methods. Voice options include Acapela, Almagu, Apple, and custom synthesised voices such as The Voice Keeper.

Q: What support is available for Unity® AAC?

A: We offer comprehensive support including consultant access, webinars and app technical skills trainings, Partner Program for SPs (similar to TouchChat® Trainer – coming soon!), online resources, and integration with Realize LanguageTM for progress tracking.

Technical Questions

Q: Will my settings transfer from other apps?

A: No current settings or vocabularies will transfer from NuVoice, Empower, or other apps to Unity. Each app environment is separate, though the underlying Minspeak principles remain consistent.



Q: Can I use Unity® offline?

A: Yes, once downloaded and activated, Unity works offline. Internet connection is only needed for downloads, updates, and data syncing with Realize LanguageTM.

Q: How much does Unity® AAC cost?

A: Unity® AAC is available through the Apple App Store only. Contact us or check the App store for current pricing information. The 30-day trial allows for thorough evaluation before purchase.

Q: Is Unity® AAC available in other languages?

A: Currently Unity® AAC will only have English available, with plans for additional languages in future updates.

Getting Started

Q: How do I learn to use Unity® AAC effectively?

A: Start with Unity AAC Discover® (free), progress to the 30-day trial, and access our online resources, videos, consultant support, and the upcoming Partner Program for speech pathologists.

Q: Who should consider Unity® AAC?

A: Unity® AAC is perfect for clinicians who love Unity® vocabularies but find NuVoice a little less user friendly, clinicians who love the underlying Minspeak® principles of LAMP Words For Life® but want grid size variety, clients who prefer iOS, individuals with apraxia/cerebral palsy/autism/Down syndrome, and anyone seeking consistent motor planning with vocabulary growth opportunities.

Q: What if Unity® AAC doesn't work for me?

A: The 30-day trial allows for thorough evaluation before purchase. Our consultants can also help determine if Unity®'s approach aligns with your communication needs and goals.

Q: Where can I get more help?

A: Contact your local Liberator consultant, check the Knowledge Base on our website, or reach out to our support team. We're committed to supporting your Unity® AAC journey every step of the way.

