

Communication in Print

Communicate: In Print 2 is a desktop publishing program for creating symbol-supported resources for printing. It is an excellent tool for anyone wanting to make accessible materials for their school, home, business or community.

In Print is supplied with the full Widgit Symbol Set, which has been developed to support access to information.

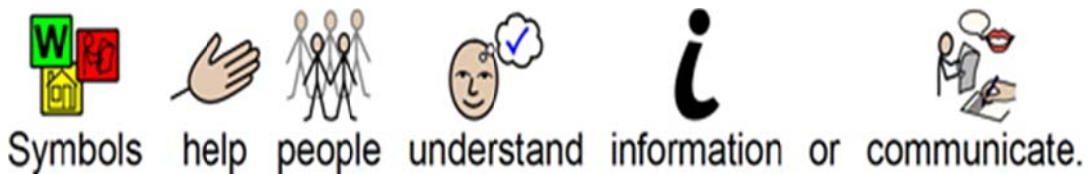
The symbols, along with the powerful features and freedom of layout of desktop publishing, help to create materials that have a professional look, whilst being completely accessible.



Symbols are images which are used to support text, making the meaning clearer and easier to understand. They provide a visual representation of a concept. Symbol Sets are comprehensive collections of images that give greater support than clip art or icon sets. Symbol Sets often follow a schematic structure, or set of design 'rules', that help the reader independently grow their own vocabulary.



Symbols are images used to support reading text.



Symbols help people understand information or communicate.



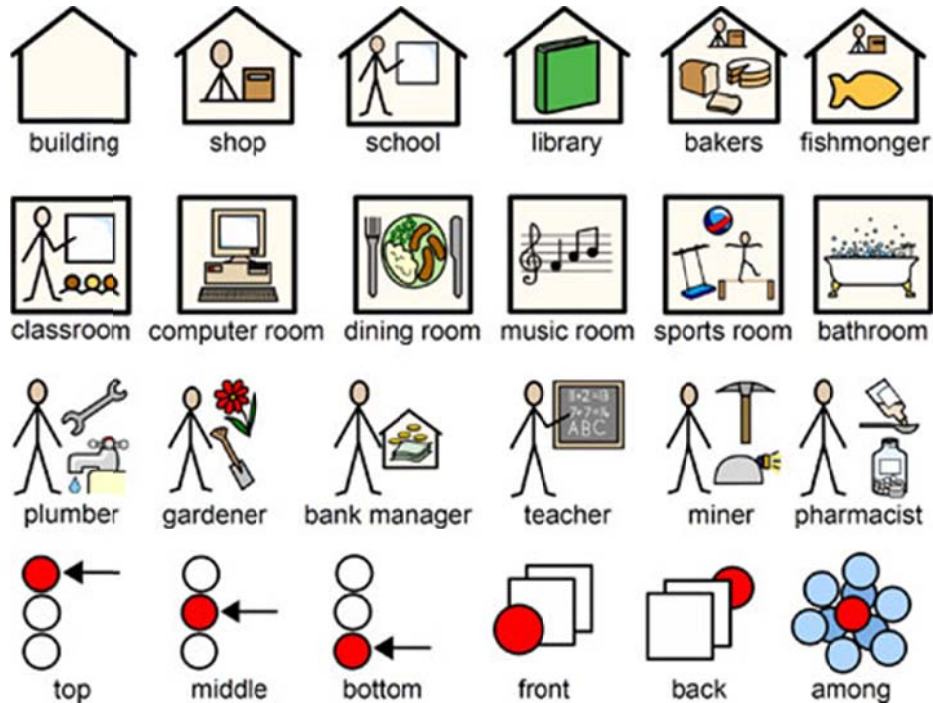
Symbols are linked to words to form a symbol set.



Design rules help people understand symbols.

The symbols conform to standards and conventions (Widgit calls this the 'schema').

The links to the left take you to descriptions of the principal schema and conventions used within the set.



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Put Your Pens Down Day

Students stand in front of their class talking about what they had made during their creativity lesson. This helps with their communication and recall skills.



Students practice their listening and directional skills as their teacher gives them instructions on where to move to next.



    
Put Down Your Pens Day

28th  On the 28th September, Bradfields  School took part in the 'No Pens Day'    
     
Wednesday'. At 12.00 pm all students throughout the school put down
      
their pens and pencils and joined in with a talking activity during their
     
lesson. The aim was to encourage students to talk and communicate
  
amongst their peers and staff.

       
The event was organised by the Hello campaign which hopes to promote
     
and highlight the importance of children and young people with good
    
communication skills. The ability to communicate is a fundamental part of
 
every day life.

     
If you would like to increase your understanding on developing good
      
communication skills for your child, the Hello campaign has a website
        
which offers free resources to download or order, www.hello.org.uk.