PODD communication books

- 3 main forms
  - One page opening

- Two page opening

Factors influencing overall organisation

- Number of items on a “page opening”
  - Visual, cognitive, physical skills
  - Communication and language requirements
    - Current & developmental
  - Access methodology
    - Direct
    - Partner assisted scanning
    - Coded
    - Combination

Strategies to enable “partner powered” level changes.

- Go to “page number” instructions
- Colour coded page tags
- Operational commands
Pragmatic branch starters

1. Faster predictive links
2. Establish communicative intent

“Faster predictive links”

“This is fun!”

“I bumped my head”

Something’s wrong – go to page 4

fun – go to back to page 1

bump – go to page 5
Playdough activity display
May be in dynamic display or a separate display

Considerations for vocabulary placement

What functions may be expressed with this vocabulary?

Shop
- Request – “Let’s go to the shops”
- Question – “Are we going to the shop?”
- Relate information – “I went to the shop……”
- Tell a story – “We went to the shops ……..”
- Pretend – “Let’s play shops”
Etc.

How do we establish communicative intent?
“Let’s go to the shops”

I'm asking a question – go to page 6

“Are we going to the shop?”

“You need to tell me yes/no” – go to page 5

“Let’s go …” – go to page 11

“Are we going to the shop?”

“Let’s go to the shops”

Page organisation

Pragmatic organisation

Category – places

shop

Category organisation

Page 4
"Are we going to the shop?"

"I went to the shop"

"I go to the shops" (not true)

"I'm telling you something" – go to page 5

"Are we going to the shop?"

"I went to the shop"

"I go to the shops" (not true)

I'm telling a story – go to page 5
“I go to the shops” (not true)

“I go to the shops” (not true)

“Let’s play shops”

“Let’s play shops”

Pragmatic branch starters

I like this I don’t like this I think it’s ..
(opinion)

Something’s wrong I want something

I want to go somewhere Let’s do something

I’m telling you something I’m asking a question

I’m telling a story I have an idea

Do you want to hear a joke Let’s pretend

I’ve got something to show you I’ll tell you how to ....
What other vocabulary would “predictably” be used with this vocabulary?

- Vocabulary may be included in multiple locations
- Efficiency (reduce number of page turns)
- Increases partner use of expansion / ease of ALS.

Inclusion of “predictably associated” vocabulary

Inclusion of less frequently used and new vocabulary.

Considerations for vocabulary placement

Lists