Welcome

• We will begin shortly
• Please run an audio check:
  – Tools, Audio, Audio Setup Wizard
• To view captions:
  – Window, Closed Captioning
• Please complete the survey following the webinar
  – You will automatically be directed to a survey upon closing the section
Housekeeping

• If you cannot hear me, run an audio check
• Tools, audio, audio set up wizard
• Lose audio or visuals: Log in and out, close all other running applications
• Ask questions in the chat box
The App Factor, Season 1: “Communication Apps Audition!”

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Learner Outcomes

• Explore the 8 clinical features of apps
• Find out the top three apps that survived the first round during Season 2 of The App Factor: “Communication Apps Put To Use.”
The Pre-Historic Technology Museum
Black Hole; Time Warp of Technology
Don’t Assume....

(Schweigert, 2012, Romski & Sevick, 1996)
## Apps Rating Sheet

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<th>Apps</th>
<th>Speech Settings</th>
<th>Representations</th>
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<td><strong>Predictable</strong></td>
<td>Synthesized speech after word, phrase, or upon selection; Customizable pitch</td>
<td>Text Photos ClipArt</td>
<td>Keyboard High Frequency Layout; Dynamic Display</td>
<td>Auditory, Zoom upon selection, Visual contrasts Highlights selection when scanning</td>
<td>Word and Phrase prediction; Saved phrases, Adjustable rate of speech; Phrase Categories, Dictionary</td>
<td>Direct Single Switch Scanning</td>
<td>Point Swipe Switch Adaptable</td>
<td>$159</td>
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<td><strong>TouchChat HD</strong></td>
<td>Seven synthesized voices, Male and Female, and Child options, US and UK accents</td>
<td>Symbol Stix Import own images</td>
<td>Grid layout with navigation</td>
<td>Advanced word prediction, Pre-Programmed 7,000 Vocabulary Items</td>
<td>Pre-Programmed buttons of words and phrases</td>
<td>Direct</td>
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<td><strong>Proloquo2go</strong></td>
<td>Male Female Child Synthesized voice, US and UK accents</td>
<td>Symbol Stix Import own images</td>
<td>Grid Layout with navigation links; Onscreen keyboard</td>
<td>Word prediction keyboard; Auditory feedback upon message access; Visual symbol</td>
<td>Advanced word prediction; pre-programmed 7,000 vocabulary items</td>
<td>Direct</td>
<td>Point Switch?</td>
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<td><strong>Go Talk Now</strong></td>
<td>Digitized and Synthesized; 20 languages Extra voices 99</td>
<td>Imagine Symbol set, photo library, import own images from camera, video, or Internet In-app purchase of SymbolStix or Widgit Symbols</td>
<td>Static, Dynamic, recorded or text-to-speech messages play, Visual Scenes, Social Stories</td>
<td>Auditory feedback upon message access, music, video, Auditory cues for row/column scanning</td>
<td>Core Vocabulary location, pre-programmed text-to-speech, video, photo, Internet</td>
<td>Direct Step, Auto, or Group Scanning</td>
<td>Point Switch Scan</td>
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<td><strong>Verbally</strong></td>
<td>Synthesized speech after word, phrase, or upon selection; customizable pitch</td>
<td>Text</td>
<td>Keyboard; Portrait or landscape view</td>
<td>Auditory; Visual; Highlights selected keys</td>
<td>Word prediction; Stored words and phrases; Adjustable speech rate; conversations stored for phrase recall</td>
<td>Direct Bluetooth</td>
<td>Point: Swipe</td>
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<td><strong>Scene &amp; Heard</strong></td>
<td>Digitized and Synthesized</td>
<td>10,000 Widgit Symbols</td>
<td>Grid Flip Book Visual Scenes, with built-in symbol vocabulary photos videos</td>
<td>Auditory, video</td>
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Predictable

An exciting text-to-speech application for the iPad, iPhone and iPod Touch

Available on the App Store
Predicatable

• Adding a phrase button
Predictable

• History
Predictable

- Emoticons
TouchChat HD

- 4-basic
- VocabPC
- Spelling on QWERTY keyboard
- Multichat 15
- iEssence
- Word Power
- Facebook, Twitter, email (Social Chat)
TouchChat HD

- Customizable
- iShare
- High quality text to speech
- Pronunciation editor
Scene and Heard

- Multimedia App
- Visual Scenes Displays (VSDs)
Proloquo2Go

• Core Word
• Basic Communication
• Easy to Program
Verbally

• Free and Paid Version
Go Talk NOW

• Standard Pages
• Express Pages
• Combines Multimedia: Video, Music, Photos
Feature Matching

• Decision-Making Process

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AAC Tech Connect
http://www.aactechconnect.com/?page_id=555
iPad Loans

- Wyoming Assistive Technology Resources
- https://www.wy.at4all.com/
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