

## TouchChatHD - AAC with WordPower (v1.4.4) and Pictello (v2.0 ) on an iDevice (iOS 7.0.4)

### Using TouchChatHD to Write into Pictello

#### Introduction

TouchChatHD is a communication app for the Apple iPad (iPad mini, iPod touch and iPhone). The current presentation was developed using the AAC with WordPower pageset however any pageset in TouchChatHD can be used to create messages that can be exported into Pictello to create a story, make journal entries or create a personalized learning log for science or socials.

This tutorial assumes the reader should already know how to:

- create messages in TouchChatHD,
- take photos on an iDevice or save images to the camera roll,
- read a story in Pictello.

#### Learning Objectives

Completion of this tutorial will give you experience with the following:

- Creating a new story in Pictello using the Wizard
- Copying messages created in TouchChatHD to Pictello
- Navigating between apps on an iDevice

#### Case Study

Jason is a 12 year old student with dyspraxia of speech and moderate cognitive delays. His speech is unintelligible to most listeners. He can read approximately 50 words independently. His written output is illegible. Jason uses an iPad with the TouchChatHD AAC with WordPower app to communicate. His sentences are typically 5-8 words in length and are usually grammatically correct. He loves to share pictures he takes on his iPad with peers. He tries to tell them what's happening in the photos but his friends have difficulty understanding him. It is challenging to show a photo and then navigate to TouchChat to formulate a message in a timely manner. His team requested the Pictello app so he could create talking photo albums for sharing. Now he is able to take his own photos, create a photo story in Pictello and describe the pictures in his own words by transferring messages he creates in TouchChatHD. He has become a capable writer! The team is now using this combination of TouchChat and Pictello for Jason to demonstrate his learning in science classes. He takes photos of experiments and now writes about what he has learned in Pictello.

# Create a title for your Pictello story in TouchChatHD

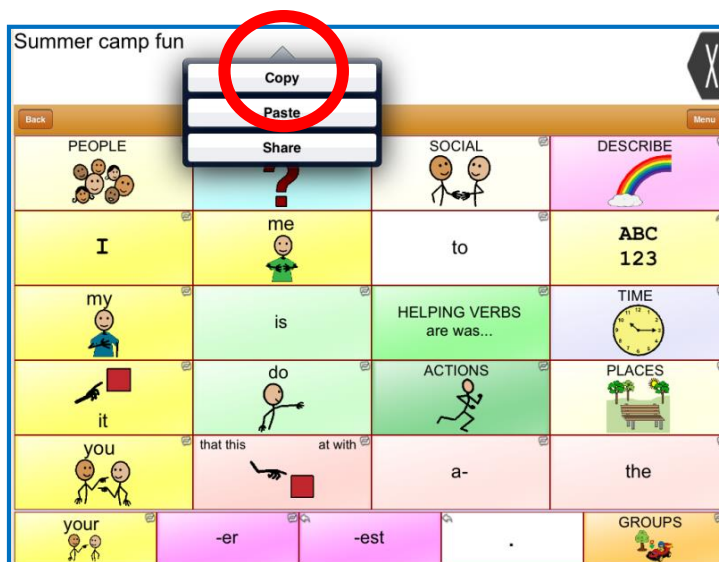
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Open TouchChatHD and write the title of your story.



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Hold your finger on the message window, then release. Select Copy from the pop-up.


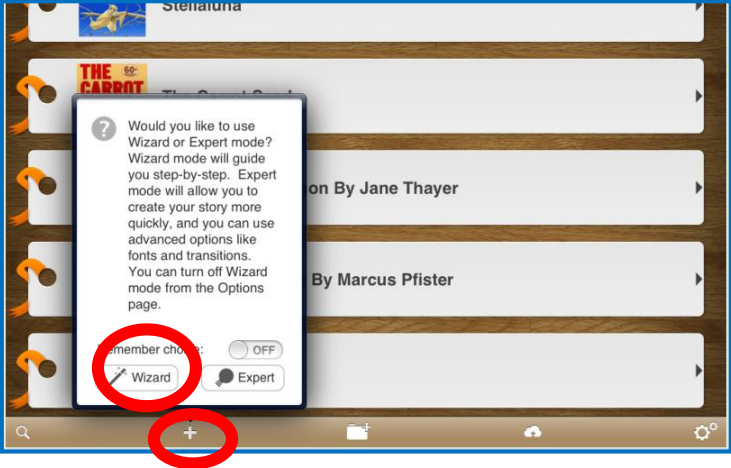
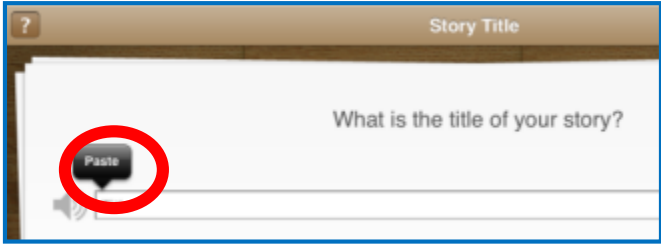
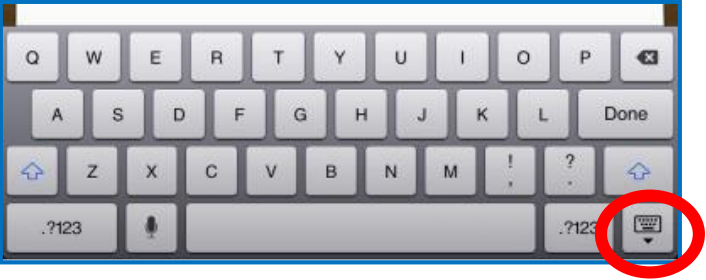


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Minimize TouchChatHD by pressing the iDevice Home button.

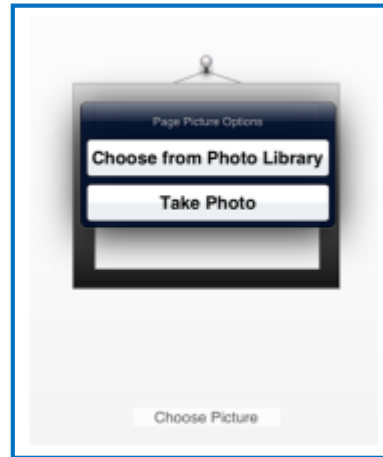


## Create a story in Pictello

<p>1</p> <p>Open the Pictello app.</p>	 The Pictello app icon is a square with rounded corners, featuring a textured brown background. At the top, there is a small photo of two children reading a book. Below the photo is a black speaker icon with sound waves.
<p>2</p> <p>Select the “+” sign in the bottom taskbar to add a new Pictello story then select the Wizard.</p>	 The screenshot shows the main interface of the Pictello app. A central pop-up dialog box asks, "Would you like to use Wizard or Expert mode? Wizard mode will guide you step-by-step. Expert mode will allow you to create your story more quickly, and you can use advanced options like fonts and transitions. You can turn off Wizard mode from the Options page." At the bottom of the dialog, there are two buttons: "Wizard" and "Expert". The "Wizard" button is circled in red. In the bottom taskbar of the app, a plus sign (+) is also circled in red. The background shows a list of story cards with titles like "Stenaruna" and "THE CARROT".
<p>3</p> <p>Hold your finger on the textbox for the title of your story and then release, select Paste.</p>	 The screenshot shows a screen titled "Story Title". It features a large text input field with the placeholder text "What is the title of your story?". A "Paste" button is visible in the bottom left corner of the input field, circled in red.
<p>4</p> <p>After your title appears, close the keyboard pop-up. Then select the right arrow in the bottom taskbar to navigate to the next step.</p>	 The screenshot shows a standard QWERTY keyboard. The right arrow key (the key with a right-pointing triangle) is circled in red.

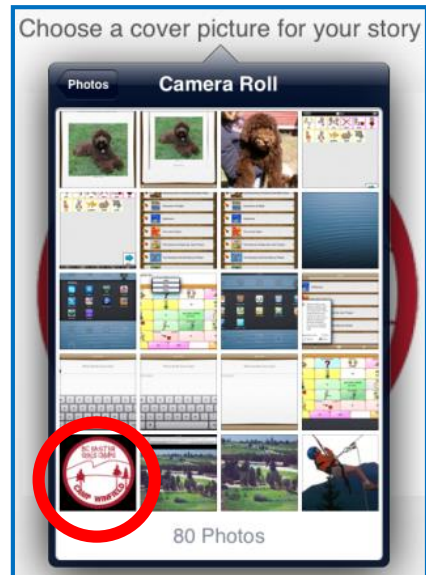
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Tap the centre of the **picture frame** and a pop-up menu allows you to **select “Choose from Photo Library or Take a Picture”**.



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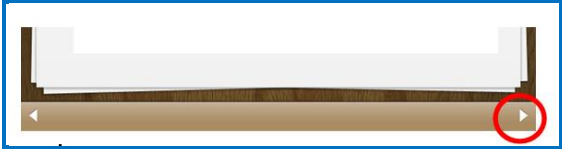
Select your **picture** if using your Camera Roll.



7 In the Choose Photo pop-up, **select Use.**

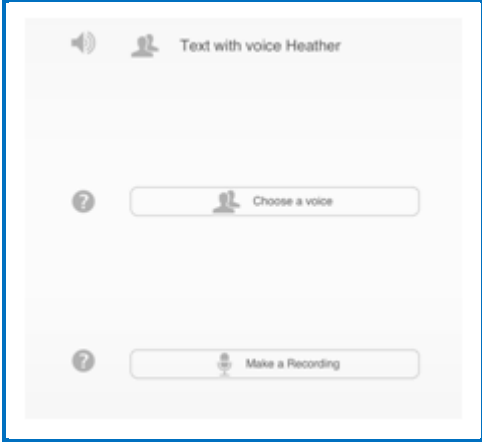



8 Once the picture shows up on the title page, **navigate to the next step** by **selecting the arrow** in the bottom right hand corner of the taskbar.



Add sound


1 **Choose the voice** you want for your story **or record** what you have written.



2	<p>Select the <b>right arrow</b> in the bottom taskbar to move to the next step.</p>	
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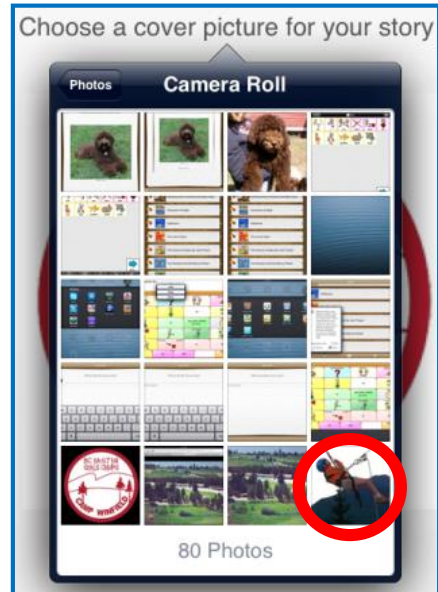
Add more pages to your story

1	<p>Select "Add a Page".</p>	
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2	<p>Add the next <b>photo</b> in your story as you did for the title cover photo.  <b>Select</b> Choose from Photo Library.</p>	
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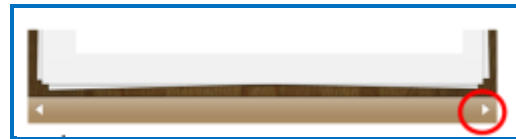
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Select the photo you wish next and then Use when it pops up in the window.



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Select the right arrow in the bottom taskbar to move to the next step. Skip the voice page unless you want to change the voice or record.



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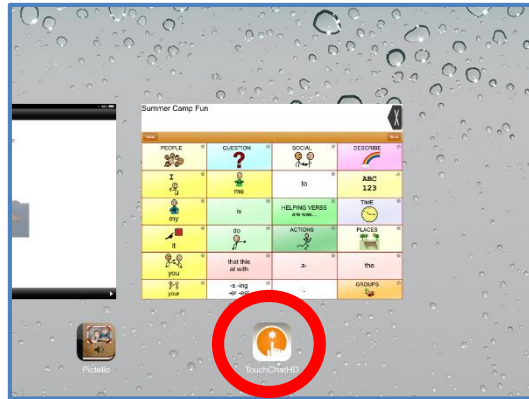
Think of the text you want to match the page.



## Back to TouchChat to formulate text

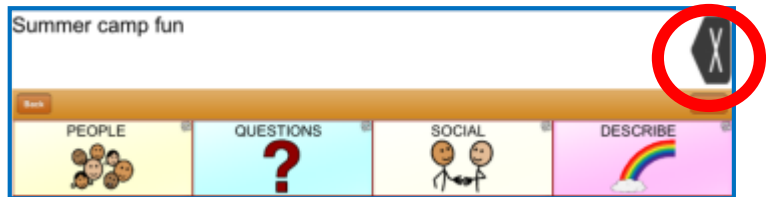
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**Double press** the iDevice **Home** button and **select TouchChat** from the open apps.



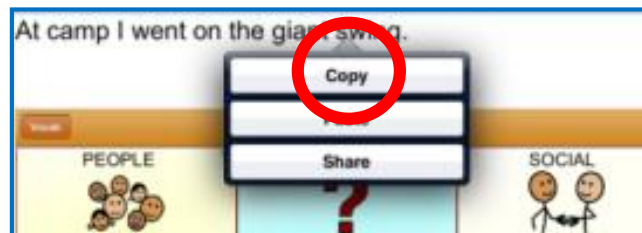
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**Clear** the title from the **message window** by selecting the "X" in the right corner.



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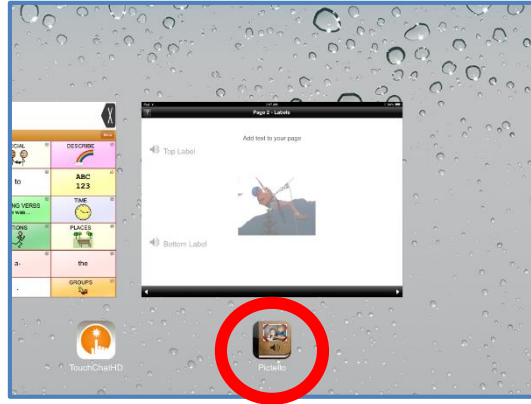
**Formulate** your message (one or several lines of text). **Hold** your finger on the message window and **release**. A pop-up screen will appear. **Select Copy**.





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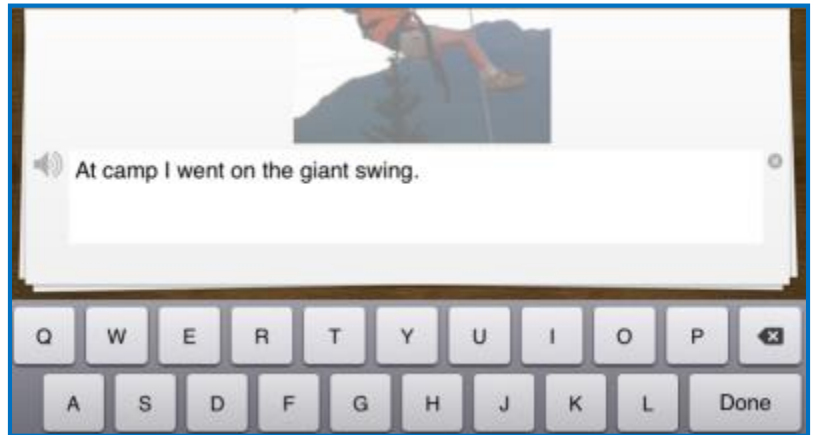
**Minimize TouchChat** by double pressing the iDevice Home button. **Select Pictello** from the open apps.



## Back to Pictello

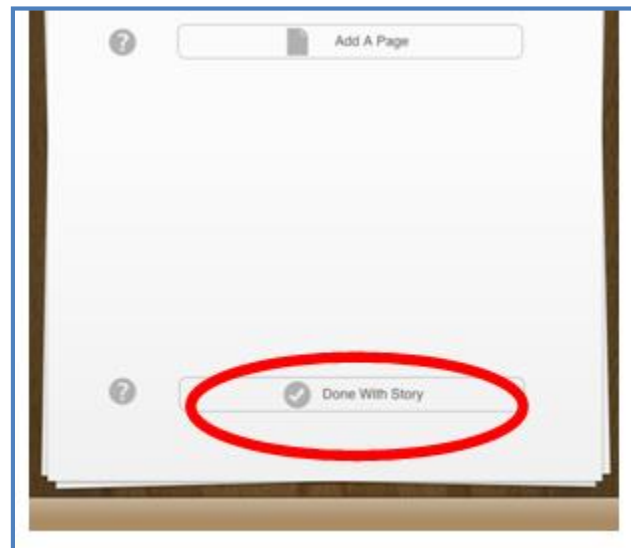
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**Select** either the top or bottom **label** for your text. **Hold your finger** on the textbox and then **release, select "Paste"**. Your text will print from TouchChat. **Close the keyboard** pop-up and select the right arrow in the bottom taskbar.



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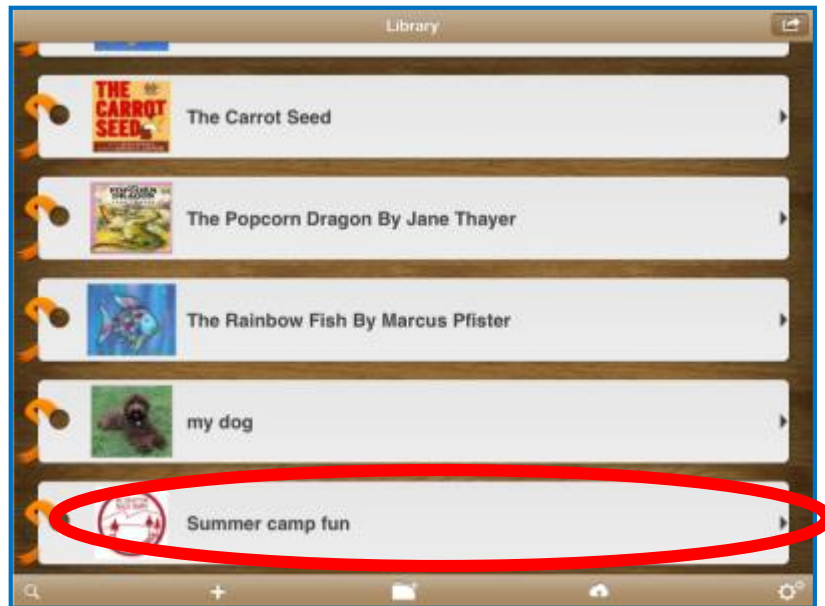
**Continue** adding pictures, navigating to TouchChat to write, copying and pasting the text into Pictello. **When finished** with your story, instead of adding another page, **select "Done With Story"**.



## Read, Edit, Share, Export or Print your Story

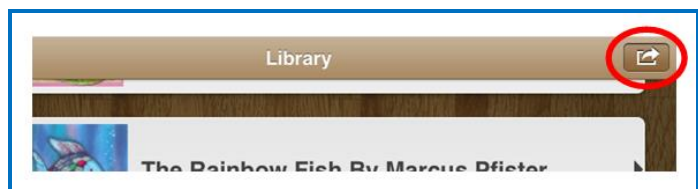
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Your story will now be listed as the last item in the Pictello Library. You can **read** it by **pressing** the **arrow** to the right of the title.



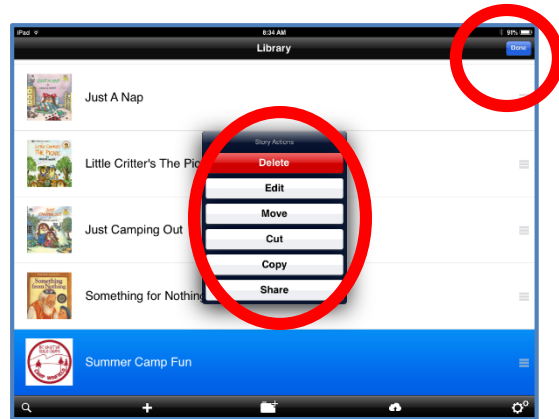
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If you want to **edit, share, export as a pdf** so you can email and your story, **select** the **button in the top right corner** of the Pictello taskbar.



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Select your choice and when finished, select Done from the top right corner to have access to the reading function again.



Tip...Some teams have found it helpful to create the photo content for stories in Pictello first and then add the text later by navigating between the story and Pictello. One caution in this approach is that you will need to create your title for your story before adding the pictures. This can be done by typing if desired.