

# NEWSLETTER

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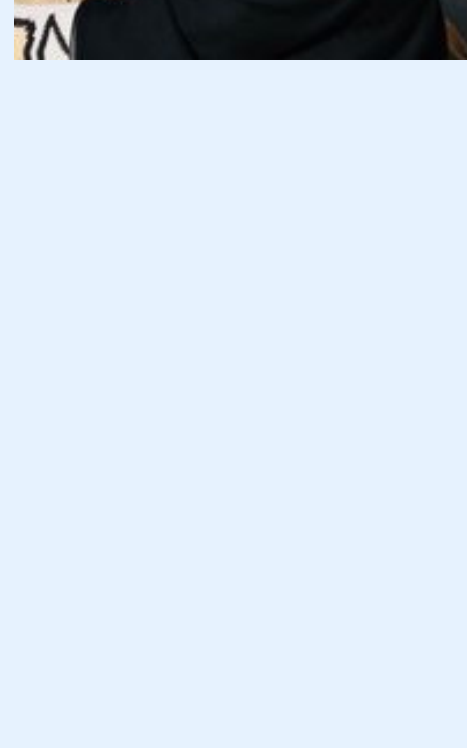
Since our last newsletter, a lot has happened. Some good, and as many of us have experienced, a very sad covid loss.

Among the good news we have to share is that we are under construction! We are in the process of making exciting changes with both of our BRIDGE Communication apps, which we detail below.

Two new additions to our website are our blog page, [The Communication Post](#), and our [Free Printable Communication Boards](#) page.

Our featured video for this newsletter is on FEELINGS, and our featured board is on FUN WAYS TO SAY HI.

We hope you enjoy this newsletter and find ready-to-use ideas and inspiration.



### Danielle Poletti, Creator/Founder

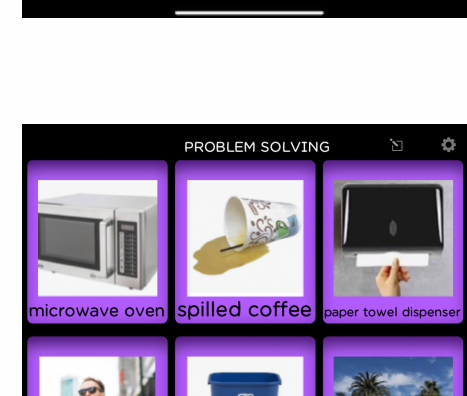
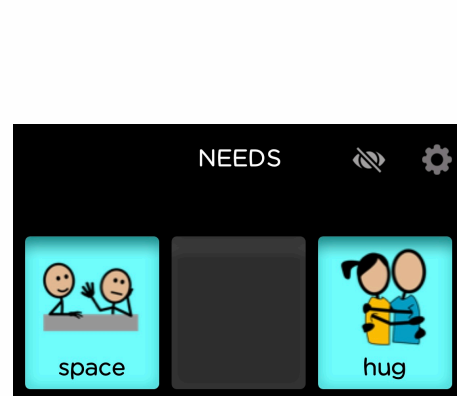
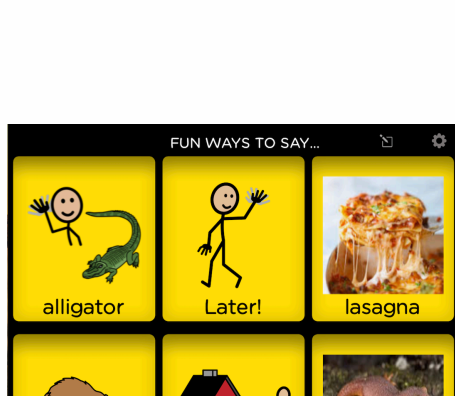
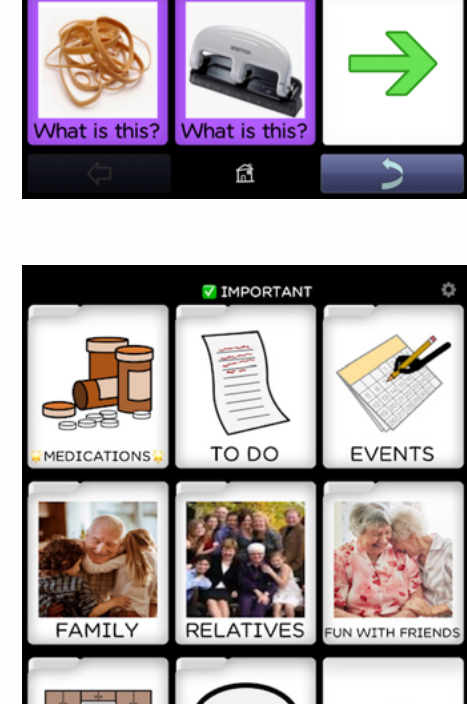
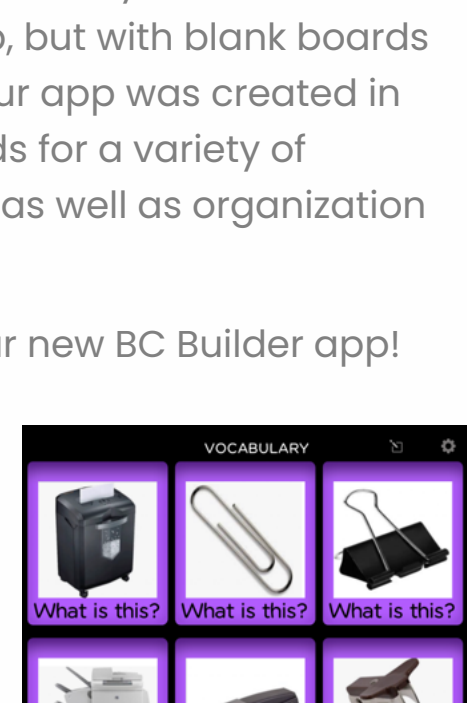
BRIDGE Communication  
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## BRIDGE COMMUNICATION APP VS. BRIDGE COMMUNICATION BUILDER APP

As subscribers, most of you are familiar with our original BRIDGE Communication app features, including the 1,200 preloaded vocabulary items, phrases, and sentences, 2,800 preloaded word, phrase, and sentence articulation folder, and the ability to edit/add images from a camera roll, 20,000+ SymbolStix library, and video from a camera roll.

## BRIDGE COMMUNICATION APP

### OUR ORIGINAL APP

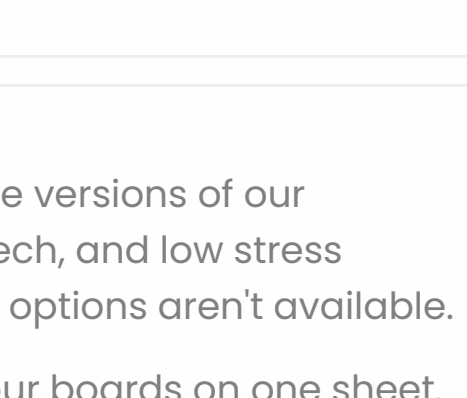
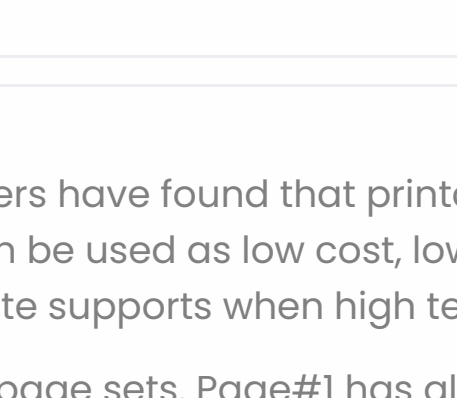
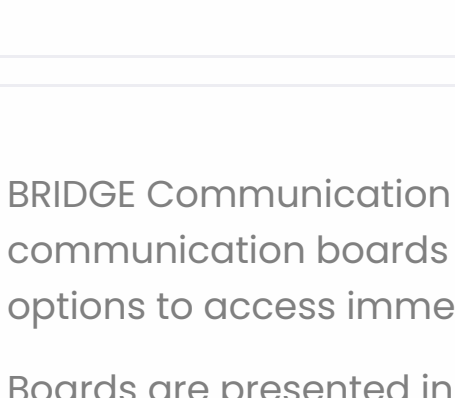
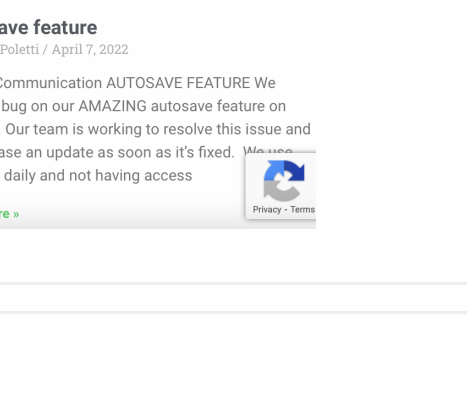
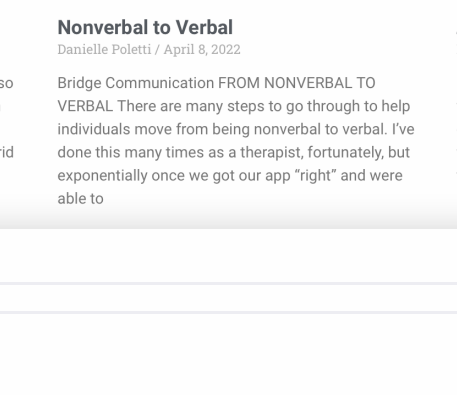
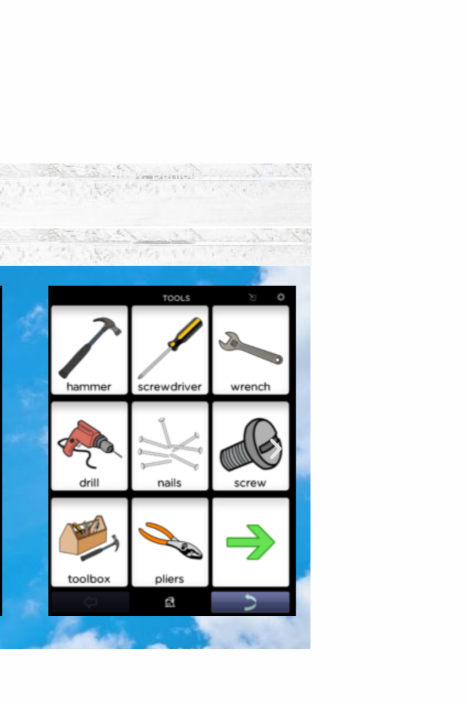
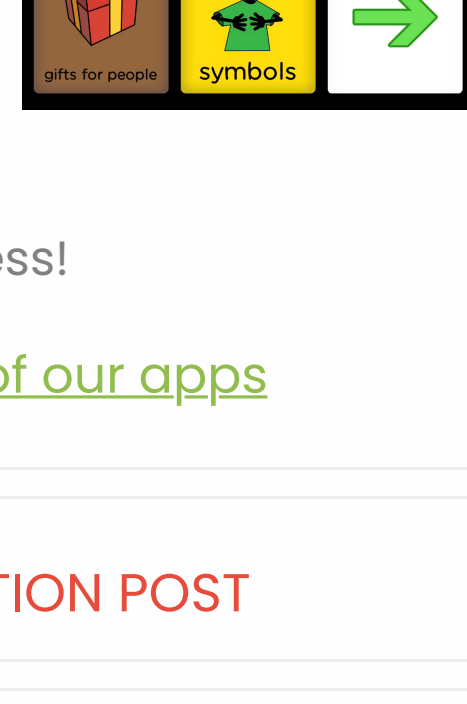
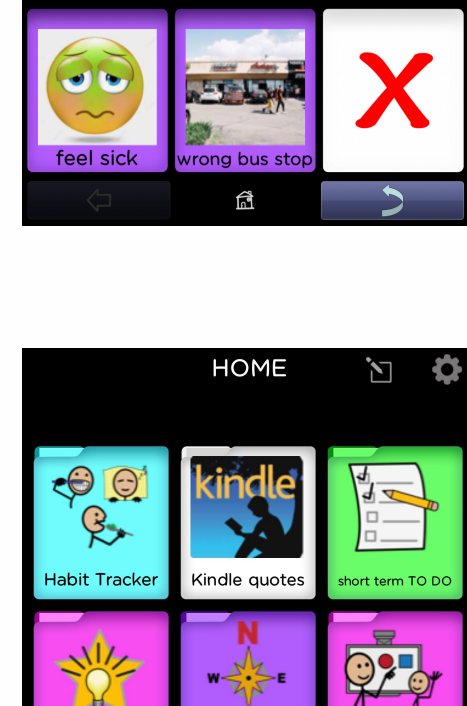


The BRIDGE Communication Builder app, launched in February 2022, has all the capabilities of our original BRIDGE Communication app, but with blank boards designed for easy customization. This new version of our app was created in response to our app users whose clients needed boards for a variety of purposes including education and curriculum support as well as organization suited for teens, adults, and older clients.

Here are some board samples that were made with our new BC Builder app!

## BRIDGE COMMUNICATION Builder APP

### OUR NEWEST APP



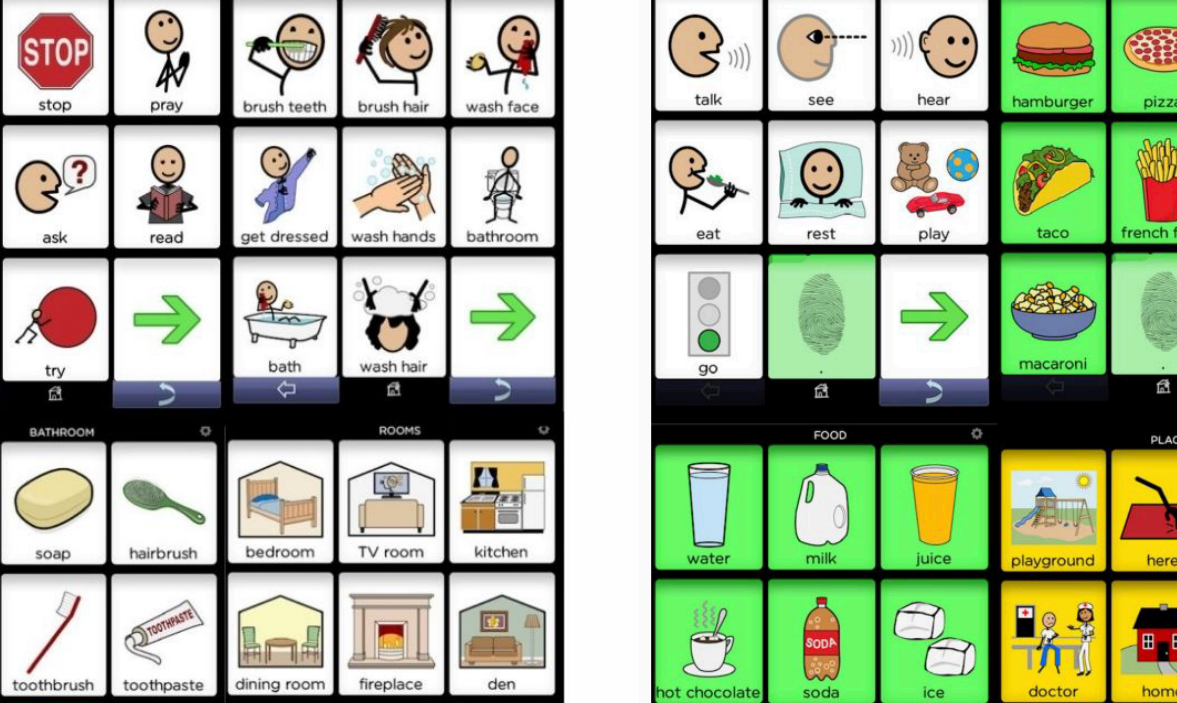
The possibilities are endless!

[click here to see a comparison of our apps](#)

## BLOG PAGE: THE COMMUNICATION POST

New on our website is our blog page, [The Communication Post](#)

Check it out!



**3x3 grid size**  
Danielle Poletti | April 10, 2022  
Bridge Communication 3x3 GRID 3x3 grid size. Also referred to as 3x3 grid. It's an important feature in AAC devices and apps, and one that builds a lot of interest and discussion. We chose our fixed 3x3 grid intentionally. We have tested over  
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**Nonverbal to Verbal**  
Danielle Poletti | April 8, 2022  
Bridge Communication FROM NONVERBAL TO VERBAL. There are many ways to go through to help individuals move from being nonverbal to verbal. I've done this many times as a therapist, fortunately, but eventually once we got our app "right" and were able to  
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**Autocare feature**  
Danielle Poletti | April 7, 2022  
Bridge Communication AUTOCARE FEATURE. We found a bug on our AAC/ICU autocare feature on our app. Our team is working to resolve this issue and will release an update as soon as it's fixed. Please use this app daily and not having access  
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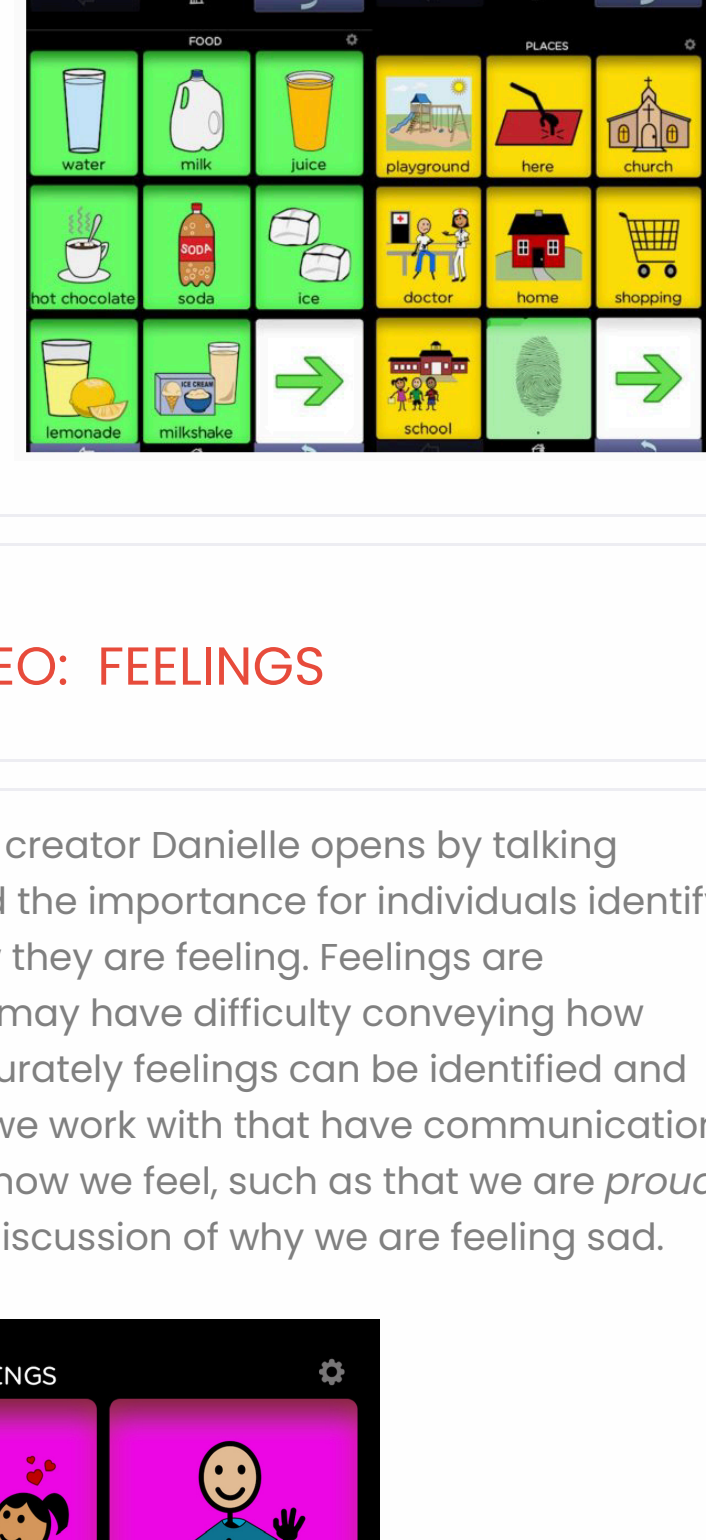
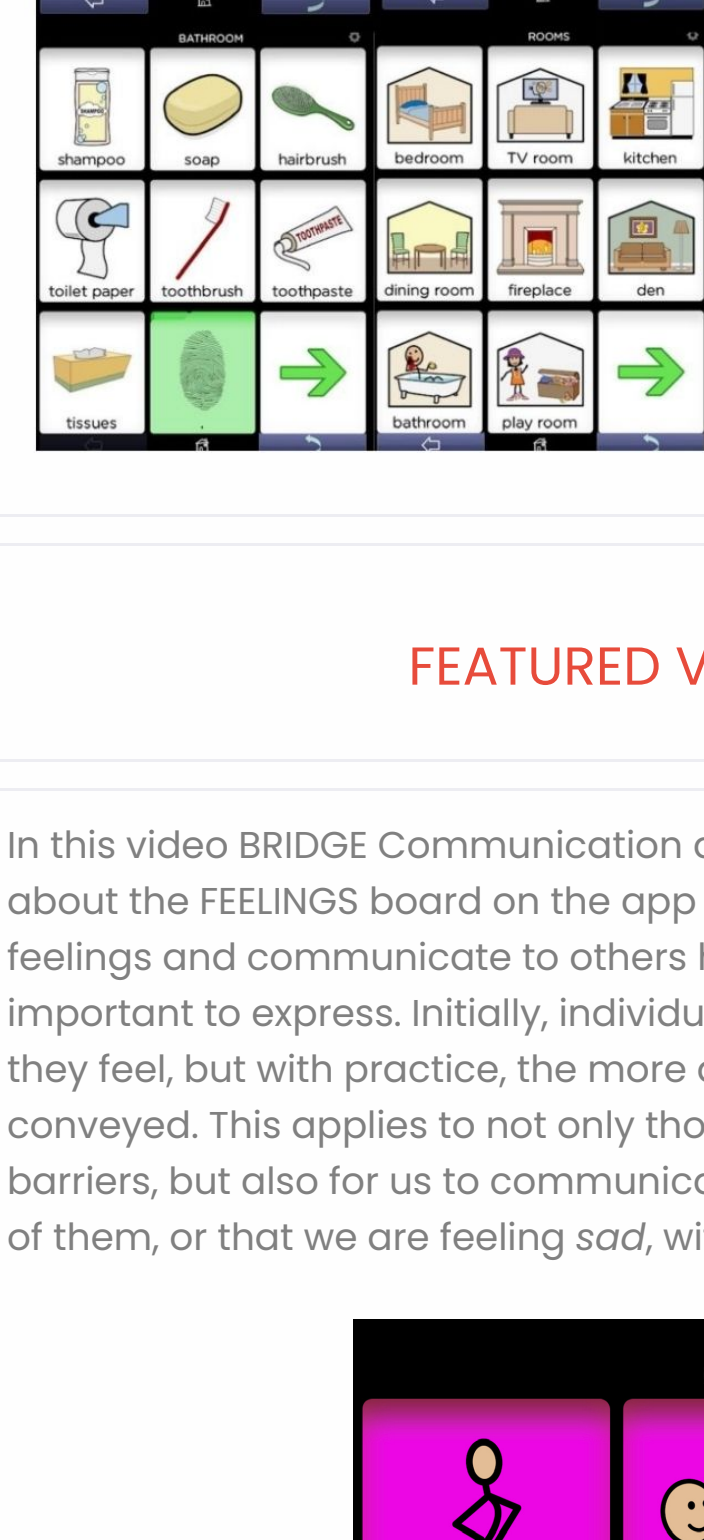
## FREE PRINTABLE 3X3 BRIDGE COMMUNICATION BOARDS

BRIDGE Communication users have found that printable versions of our communication boards can be used as low cost, low tech, and low stress options to access immediate supports when high tech options aren't available. Boards are presented in 5-page sets. Page #1 has all four boards on one sheet. Pages #2-5 are the four boards on individual sheets. Click on a set to download and print!

Share in classrooms, on playgrounds, in cars, or even on the front of notebooks.

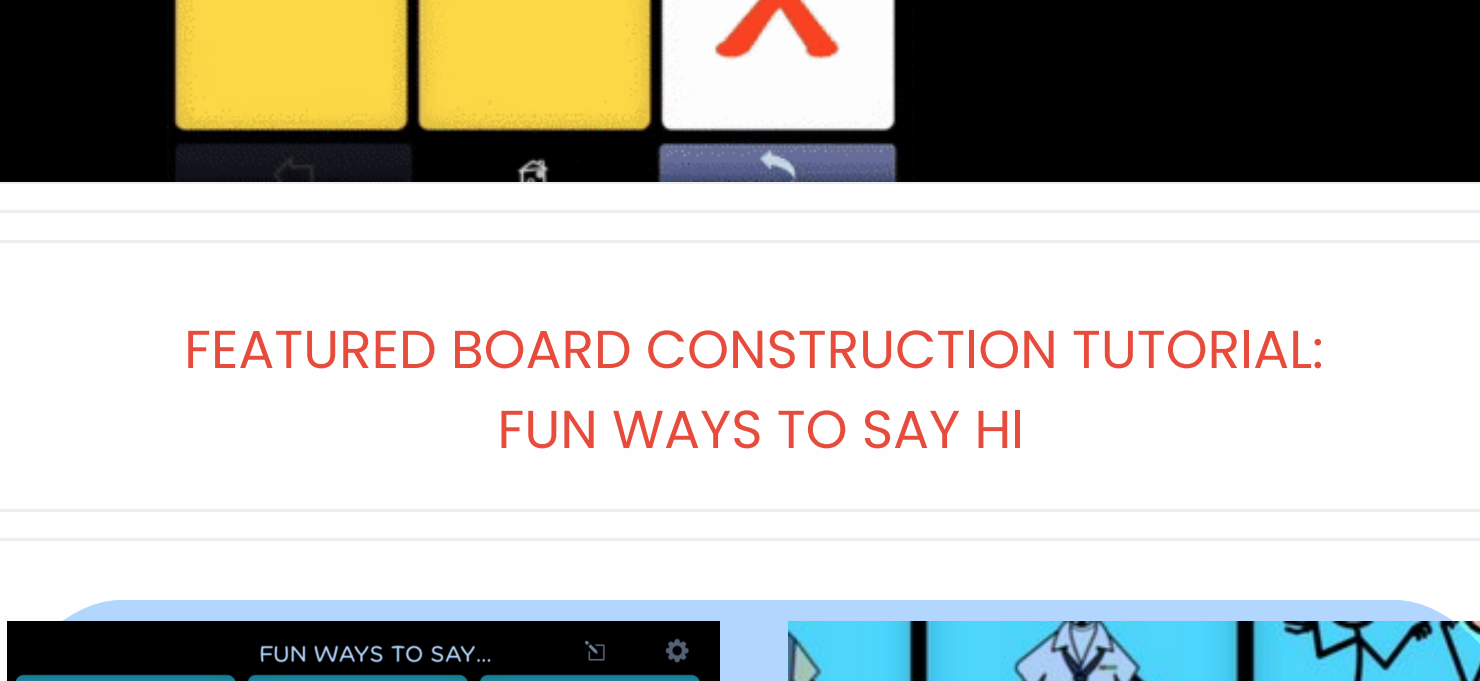
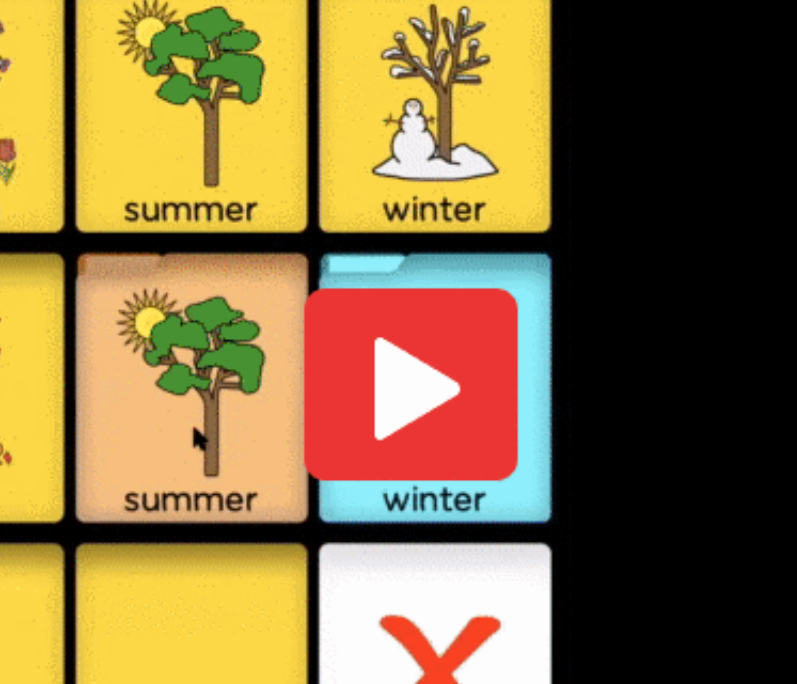


sample boards:

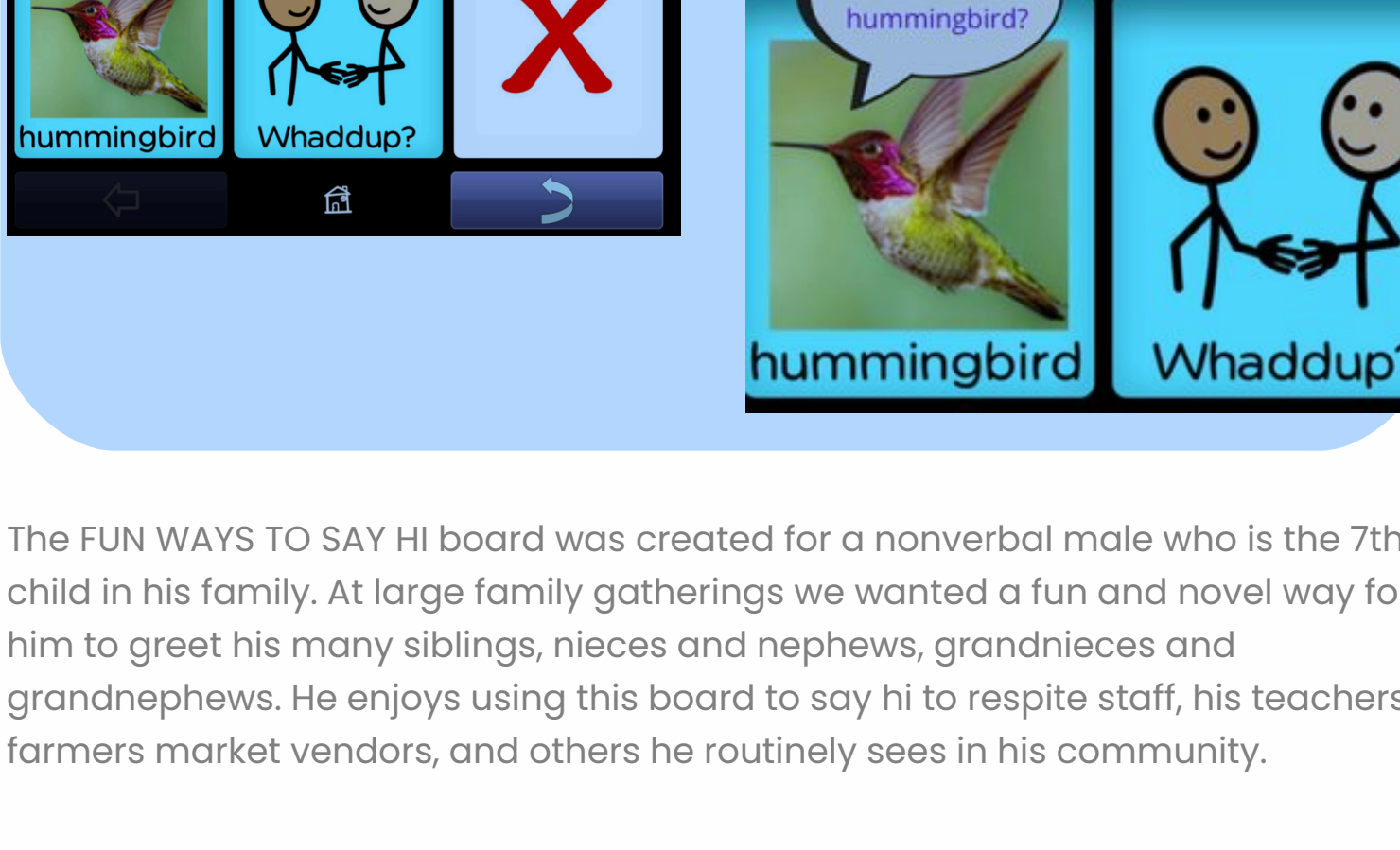


## FEATURED VIDEO: FEELINGS

In this video BRIDGE Communication app creator Danielle opens up talking about the FEELINGS board on the app and the importance for individuals identify feelings and communicate to others how they are feeling. Feelings are important to express. Initially, individuals may have difficulty conveying how they feel, but with practice, the more accurately feelings can be identified and conveyed. This applies to not only those we work with that have communication barriers, but also for us to communicate how we feel, such as that we are proud of them, or that we are feeling sad, with discussion of why we are feeling sad.



## FEATURED BOARD CONSTRUCTION TUTORIAL: FUN WAYS TO SAY HI



The FUN WAYS TO SAY HI board was created for a nonverbal male who is the 7th child in his family. At large family gatherings we wanted a fun and novel way for him to greet his many siblings, nieces and nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews. He enjoys using this board to say hi to respite staff, his teachers, farmers market vendors, and others he routinely sees in his community.

There are articles abound from sources such as the Mayo Clinic, Autism Spectrum News, popular wellness sites and a dad's blog that point out the physical health and development benefits of laughter and humor. Spark a smile, chuckle, maybe even a guffaw, into someone's day!

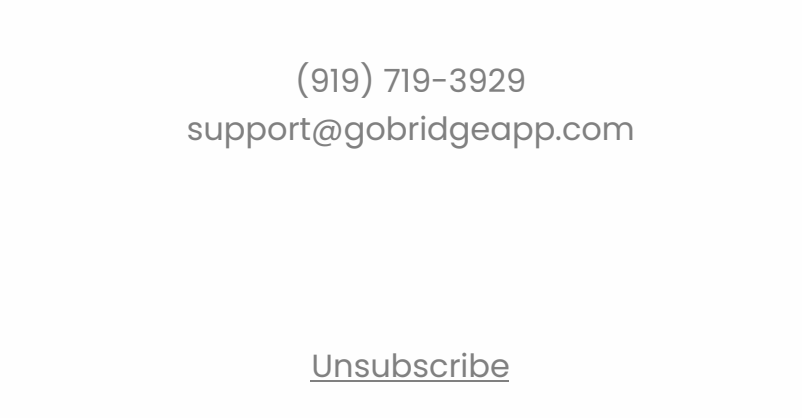
[Youtube tutorial: FUN WAYS TO SAY HI](#)

## Stay connected!

We release our [Newsletter](#) monthly, and make frequent posts on our [Blog](#). And as always, reach out ~ we're happy to help!

[Join our mailing list](#)

[Sign up for free 1:1 Zoom Meetups with our support team](#)



## YOUTUBE

Check out our [YouTube channel](#) with expanded playlists including LITERACY/INTERVENTION, OVERVIEW/BOARD SAMPLES, TESTIMONIALS, IN ACTION, and TUTORIALS:



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