Message Ideas for Banking and Speech Generating Devices



Social Page

- ♦ Hello
- Good morning
- ♦ It's so good to see you
- ♦ I'm Jane Smith
- ♦ It's nice to meet you
- I wanted to ask you something.
- See va later
- Goodbye
- ♦ Goodnight
- ♦ It was really nice to see you
- Have a great day!

Questions

- How are you doing?
- ♦ What have you have been up to?
- ♦ How was your day?
- ♦ How's it going?
- ♦ When will I see you again?

Responses and Chat Extenders

- ♦ Okay.
- ♦ Good.
- ♦ Great!
- ♦ Terrible!
- Yes.
- ♦ No.
- Maybe.
- Please.
- ♦ Thanks.
- ♦ You're welcome.
- ♦ Why?
- ♦ Why not?
- ♦ Really?
- ♦ How was it?
- What happened?
- ♦ Then what happened?
- ♦ I know.
- ♦ I don't know.
- Right.
- You've got to be kidding
- ♦ Tell me more.
- ♦ It is very important
- It's not that important
- Never mind
- That reminds me of something.
- ♦ This is what I think
- I want to tell you about something.

Names

- ♦ Family name (record primary ones)
- ♦ Friend name (record primary ones)
- ♦ Your name
- ♦ Caregiver name
- I need to talk to
- ♦ I am grateful for
- Can you get

Common Requests

- ♦ I need to talk to you
- ♦ I need a hug
- ♦ I need a kiss
- I need to use the bathroom
- ♦ Could I please have my glasses
- ♦ I need some help
- ♦ I need to be repositioned
- Could you please get my caregiver
- ♦ I really need to rest
- ♦ A bit more
- ♦ That is perfect
- ♦ Stop!
- ♦ That is too much.

Affection (people, pets, teams, religion)

- ♦ I love you
- ♦ I adore you
- I thank you for everything
- ♦ You are wonderful
- ♦ I am so proud of you
- ♦ I need a kiss
- ♦ I need a hug
- ♦ I need some love
- ♦ What a good girl/boy
- ♦ Come here Pet
- Lullaby, rhyme, birthday song
- ♦ Sport's cheer
- Negative sport's comment
- ♦ A Prayer or Blessing

Phone

- Hi, this is -----. Please call me back at 555-1234.
- ♦ Hi, It's ----.
- ♦ I'm doing okay, thanks
- Hi, this is -----. Please don't hang up. Due to a medical condition I can't speak and I will be using a speech device to talk with you.
- ♦ Hold on, I'm typing.
- I just called to say hi. How are you?
- ♦ I just called to say I love you.
- ♦ I need to make an appointment
- ♦ Could you help me make a call

Emergency

- Please contact (contact person) at 555-1234 and let her know that ---- is having an emergency.
- I am having an emergency at 77 Pine St. Please come immediately

Communication Controls

Control Timing

- ♦ Hold on!
- Please be patient. It may take me a little while to type out the message I want to say to you.
- I have something to add to what we are talking about. Please give me a moment to type it out.
- Wait a moment. I am not quite finished with what I have to say.
- ♦ I am ready with my message now.
- Thank you for your patience.

Communication Tips

- Excuse me. I need your attention.
- Please go ahead and try to guess what I am saying. It may speed things up and saves me energy.
- Please let me complete my messages without trying to guess what I will say.
- Ask me Yes/No questions. It will speed things up.
- Please read the screen over my shoulder if you can't understand what I am saying.
- Please do not read over my shoulder.
- Let me know if you don't understand me and need me to repeat.
- ♦ Let's try that again
- Let's talk another time. I need to rest.

Information Messages

- I use this device to talk because I have lost my ability to speak due to a medical condition.
- My hearing and thinking are fine so you can speak normally to me.
- ♦ Sometimes I get a little teary. I'm fine. Just go on.

Emotion Words/Sounds

Label recorded sounds with ! at the end

- ◆ Laughter! (Laughter!.wav)
- ◆ Expletive! (Oh S*%#@)
- Heavy sigh!

Kiss!

- ♦ Eh hem! (getting attention sound)
- ♦ Aww! ("how cute")
- Yeah! or Uh huh!
- ♦ Ohhhh! (I get it now)

Humor

- That was the machine talking. I take no responsibility.
- ♦ Oh forggeta bout it
- That's easy for you to say.