Symbol and Photo Based Apps for Clusterbox

	Grid for iPad	ProLoQuo2Go	ChatAble	SonoFlex	Go Talk Now	Scene and Heard
Choose this app for….	• *Biggest range of vocabulary options.* • *Highly editable* • *For someone who is partially literate*	• *Large vocabulary* • *Highly editable* • *Bilingual use*	• *A mixture of symbols and scenes.* • *Someone who requires a smaller symbol vocabulary with simple core vocab.*	• *Someone who requires a smaller symbol vocabulary*	• *Designed to be like a communication book* • *Simple and editable*	• *Visual display scenes only: a photo with editable hotspots*
In Clusterbox?	No (LD team only)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Price	£9.99 monthly £349.99	£249.99	£99.99	£99.99	£99.99	£79.99

Symbol Sets						
Symbol Set	• Widgit (default) • PCS (including high contrast version) • SymbolStixs • Snap photos	• SymbolStixs	• PCS (including thin and high contrast versions)	• SymbolStixs • Own photos	• GoTalk Image Library • Can purchase SymbolStixs, Widgit, PCS within app	• Widgit
Editable skin tone	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No
Add own photos	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Vocabulary	Multiple Gridset options including	Crescendo package	CleverCore: consistent core vocabulary placement. Can be difficult to navigate and edit.	2 options for home page:	No premade vocabulary 'Online Gallery' of pages made by users- largely education based. Can create own Template pages	-
	• Super Core 30/50: Core vocabulary focused with consistent positioning of core. • Symbol Talker A/B/C/D: Topic based vocabulary designed to progress from A to D. Increasing amounts of core vocabulary in C and D. • Vocabulary For Life: Aimed at young adults, topic based, less core vocabulary • Beeline: focus on motor planning Text based grid sets available.	• Basic: single words, no core • Intermediate: includes core vocabulary • advanced core: designed for people with more advanced communication skills Designed to progress between levels. Consistent placement of core words		• Common Vocabulary : Core vocabulary with changeable 'flex' buttons which can be changed to different folders depending on context. • Context Based Home Page: Topic based home page with limited core. • Vocabulary is paediatric focused		

'Adult Vocabulary' Option	Yes, 'Show adult symbols' can be turned on and off.	No	Yes, 'Adult Clever Core'	No	No	-
Colour coded	Fitzgerald key in Super Core	Gateway key, Fitzgerald key	Fitzgerald key	Fitzgerald Key	No	-
Restrict or Hide symbol option	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, can hide folder only	No	-
Symbol Prediction	Yes, in Super Core and Symbol Talker D Symbol supported prediction on keyboard.	Yes: • Auto spacing • single or multiword	Yes	No	No	-
Message History	Yes	Yes	Yes (difficult to access)	Yes, can choose last 30 mins, today or earlier	No	-
Grammar	Yes 'Magic wand' in Super Core. 'Special' in Beeline	Yes, touch and hold	Yes 'Naturally' has long hold to add grammar	Quick grammar button	No	-
Access to keyboard	Yes, keyboards within gridsets with symbol prediction or can link to a specific keyboard gridset.	Yes, Apple Keyboard or Grid Keyboard	Yes, Apple, ABC or QWERTY Keyboard with symbol supported prediction.	Yes, grid style keyboard	Yes, Apple keyboard	-

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Visual Display Scenes						
Visual Display scenes	No	No	Yes, including hybrid pages with symbols on side	No	Yes	Yes
Add media to hot spots	-	-	No	-	-	Yes: videos, photos, symbols or a link to another scene

Speech						
Languages	17 Languages Afrikaans, Arabic, Czech, Dutch, English, Finnish, Flemish, French, German, Greek, Hebrew, Italian, Portuguese, Polish, Slovak, Spanish, Welsh	4 Languages. Easy to switch between for bilingual use English, Dutch, French or Spanish.	6 Languages English, German, French, Finnish, Swedish, Danish	7 Languages English, Portuguese, Swedish, German, Norwegian, Dutch, Danish	15 Languages English, Arabic, Czech, Danish, Finnish, German, Greek, Italian, Polish, Portuguese, Simplified Chinese, Spanish, Swedish, Turkish, Ukrainian	4 Languages English, German, Danish and Swedish
Voices	21 British Adult Voices	8 British Adult voices	6 British Adult Voices	3 Adult Voices, no British	6 British Adult voices, others available for purchase	10 British Adult voices
Voice editing	Yes, speed, pitch and volume	Yes, speed and pitch	Yes, speed and pitch	No	Yes, speed	Yes, speed
Banked Voice compatible (see voice banking guidance on KMCAT website)	No	No	Yes, Modeltalker	No	Yes, Vocal ID	No
Pronunciation editing	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Record own messages	Yes, message banking within app	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes

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Layout						
Number of symbols per page	1-560 per page	9-144	1-100	28 plus function keys. Not editable	1-36	-
Change font	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	-
Adjust text size	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	-
Adjust cell/button sizes/position	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	-
Adjust colour scheme	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	yes	-

Other						
Attention sound	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Show Message written large/privately	No	No	Yes 'publish' but this will mean message cannot be read aloud without changing settings	No	No	-
Able to adjust volume within app	Yes, 'Special' in Symbol talker D, Vocabulary for life and Beeline. 'Magic wand – settings' in Super Core.	Yes	No	No	No	No
Visual Timetable	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes
Additional	Remote editing. Other grids for environmental controls and social media	Add sound effects and expressions Compatible with apple watch	Handwriting Games Can add links to social media/websites onto cells		Can export as PDF for low tech Can add media/website link to cell	Task list: can create step by step prompts for a task

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Sharing and Backup						
Sharing	No	Share with email, messages and twitter	Share with email, messages and twitter	No	No	No
Back Up Features (see Guidance for Advising Patient on Confidentiality Risk)	Dropbox	Dropbox, Google Drive or iCloud	Chatable account	No	Dropbox, email, airdrop	Can export scenes to email, Airdrop or iCloud.

Other						
Android version	No	No	Yes	No	No	Yes
Windows version	No	No	No	No	No	No
Trial version	30-day trial	No	No	Lite version	Lite version	No
Version for iPhone	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes