

Clicker 8

How to Set Up a Make-a-Book Activity

Introduction

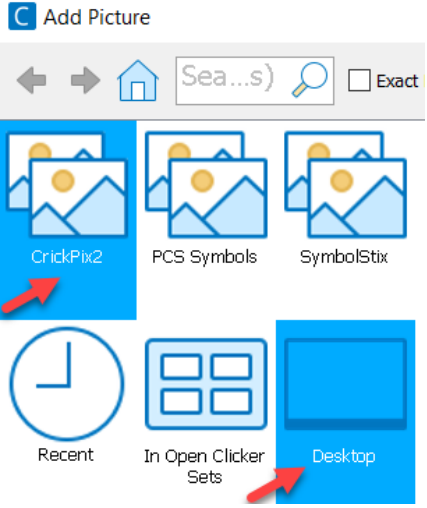
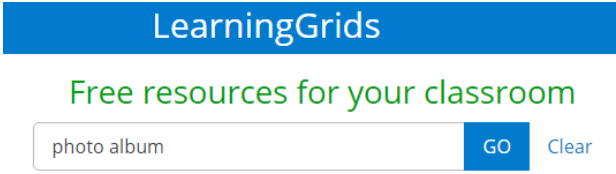
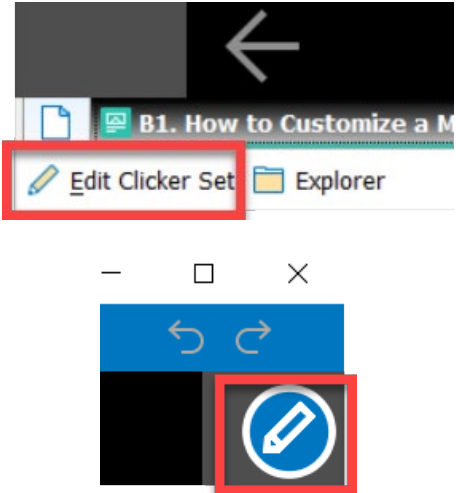
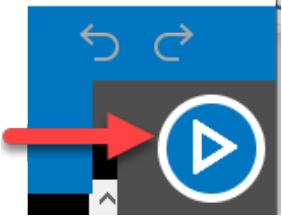
A Make-a-Book activity supports students in creating their own books by providing a picture grid for picture boxes, and word grids for textboxes. Templates for books on various topics can be found on LearningGrids.com by searching “Make a Book.” Depending on the learning needs, some books can be designed to include pictures and audio only, like the “Photo Album One” in Learning Grids, while others may include text, similar to the “Photo Album Two.” These templates can be customized to a preferred layout. The picture size and appearance of the textboxes can also be adjusted to meet the students’ needs.

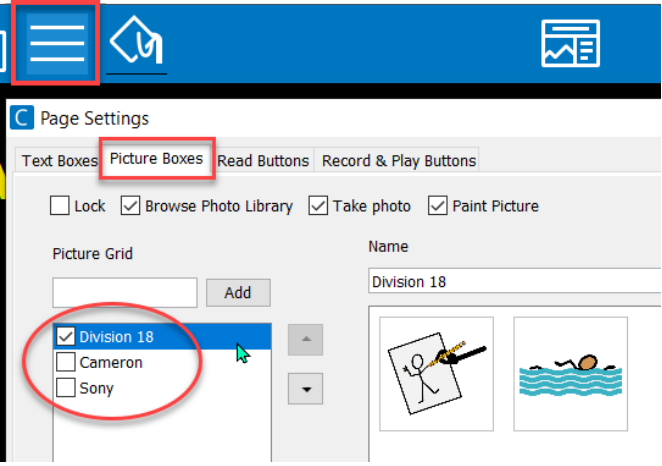
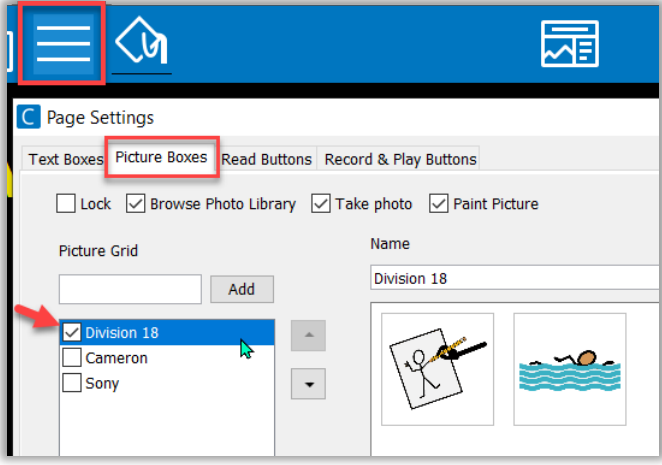
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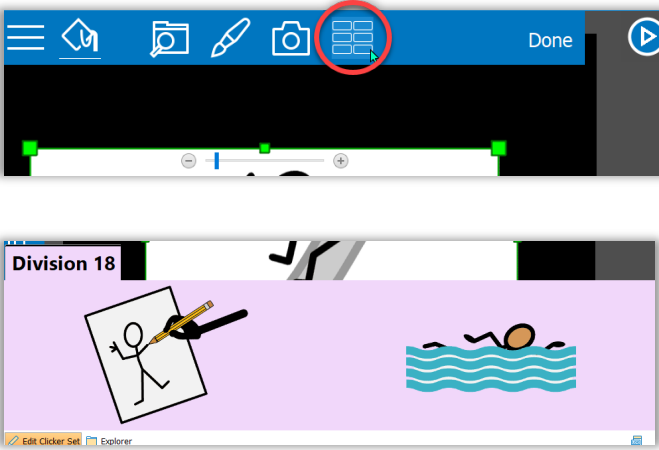

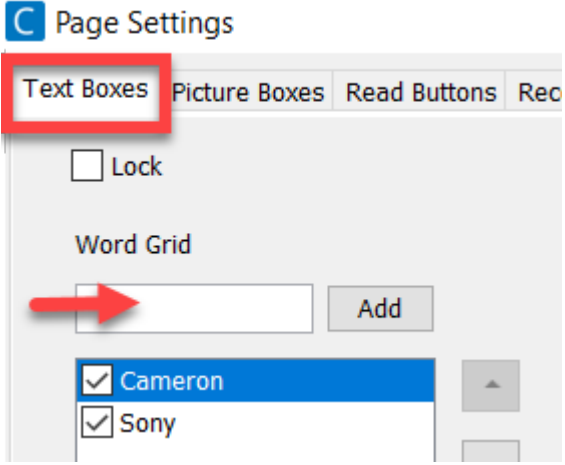
- Clicker 8 installed on a Mac/ PC.
- Experience launching Clicker 8 and opening a Clicker Book template.
- Experience adding pictures and editing the textboxes in a Clicker Book. (You may wish to refer to Cricksoft’s [Clicker 8 tutorial page](#) for more details.)

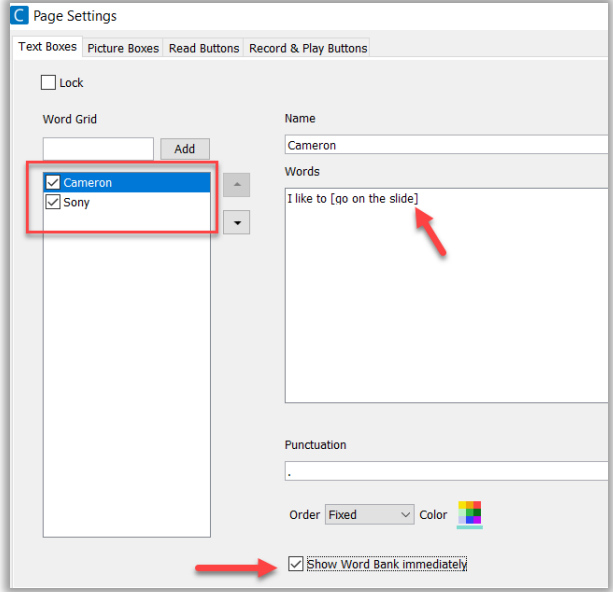
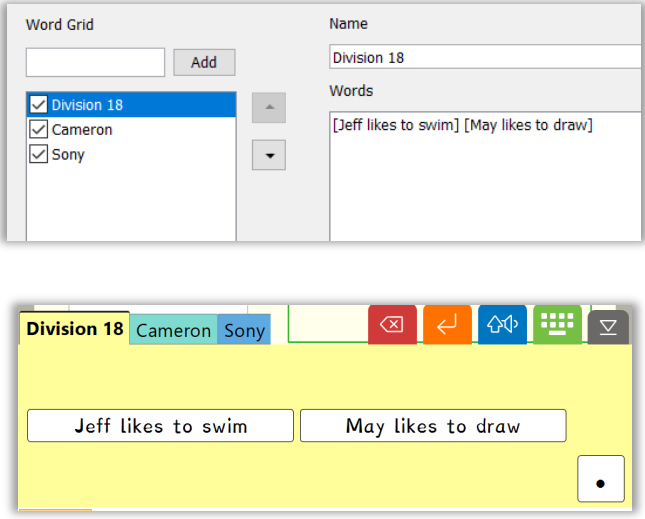
Case Study

Amanda is a Grade 3 student who is non-verbal and has developmental delays. The school team would like her to be able to understand and share information about a topic of interest with the class.

<p>1</p>	<p>Have students take some pictures on the topic of interest. Organize the pictures in a folder on your desktop.</p> <p>If this is not possible, pictures are also available from the Crickpix2 library.</p>	
<p>2</p>	<p>Create a book template, or modify from an existing file, such as “Photo Album” from LeariningGrids.com.</p>	
<p>3</p>	<p>First, click on Edit Click Set tab on the bottom left so you are in Edit mode.</p> <p>Alternatively, click on the Edit Button on the top right corner.</p>	
<p>4</p>	<p>To verify if the book is in Edit mode, the Play button will be displayed on the top right.</p>	

<p>5</p> <p>Customize the “picture bank.”</p> <p>When nothing on the page is selected, click on “Page Settings.”</p> <p>Under the “Picture Boxes” tab, add pictures from the Crickpix2 library and/or from your Desktop.</p> <p>To create picture grids, type in the name and click Add.</p> <p>In this example, there are 3 picture grids – Division 18, Cameron, and Sony.</p>	
<p>6</p> <p>Select the picture grid(s) that will be available for each page.</p> <p>For each page of the book, go into Page Settings, and select the picture grids that will be available for that page using the check boxes on the left.</p> <p>In this example, only the picture grid for “Division 18” will be available for this page.</p> <p>Once this is set up, students will be able to fill in the picture boxes of the page using pictures from the picture grids specific to that page.</p>	

<p>7</p>	<p>Test out the picture grids.</p> <p>First, go into Edit mode. You should see the Play button on the top right.</p> <p>Next, select a picture box, and then the grids icon.</p> <p>The picture grid will appear. Make sure these are the pictures you want for the student to select from. Repeat this step for the remainder of the pages.</p>	
<p>8</p>	<p>Customize the “word grid.”</p> <p>First, get into Edit mode by clicking on the Edit Clicker Set tab. You may refer to Step 3 in this tutorial.</p> <p>When nothing on the page is selected, click on “Page Settings.” </p> <p>Then, select the Text Boxes tab.</p> <p>Type the name of a word grid and click Add.</p>	

<p>9</p>	<p>In this example, there are two word grids – “Cameron” and “Sony.” Each word grid can include single words, phrases, or a combination of both.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For multiple words to be put in the same cell on the word grid, put a square bracket [] around the words. - The order of the cells can be fixed, alphabetical, or random. - Select “Show Word Bank Immediately”, so the word grid will appear when the student clicks on a textbox. 	
<p>10</p>	<p>Depending on the student’s needs, complete sentences can be presented on a word grid.</p> <p>Hint: If the word grid does not show up when the student clicks on the textbox, verify that the word grid was selected under Page Settings.</p> <p>Click Close to save changes.</p> <p>Congratulations! You have now customized a Make-a-Book activity!</p>	

Tip...

For students who have difficulty decoding the text on the word grids, the **“Speak on Right Click”** feature may be helpful. To activate, see under Options> Speech> Speak on Right Click.

You may also turn on **“Right-click on Dwell”**, so the words will be read aloud when the cursor hovers over the target for a length of time. Under the Options tab, go to **Access> Access Method> Eye Gaze/Dwell**. Click on **Advanced**, and then **Right-click on Dwell**. Set appropriate dwell time for your student considering how long the student can hold still on a target. Be sure to verify this information with the SLP and OT.