

Modeling AAC in Science

Quick Tips for Modeling

- Keep the AAC device charged and available to model AAC all day
- Pause and wait to give students time to respond
- Keep it simple and model 1–2 key words at a time
- Respond to all communication attempts, every message matters

Model these during Science

✓ Making Observations

WORDS TO MODEL

look, listen, feel, different, make, change

EXAMPLE PHRASES

- **Look**, the plant makes a flower
- Leaves **change** colors

✓ Describing Concepts

WORDS TO MODEL

hard/soft, hot/cold, up/down, colors, not

EXAMPLE PHRASES

- Is the desert **hot** or **cold**?
- A rock is **hard** but leaves are not

✓ Specific Topics

WORDS TO MODEL

weather, animals, plants, space

EXAMPLE PHRASES

- The **tree** has leaves
- **Earth** is a planet
- **Lions** live in the jungle

✓ Experiments

WORDS TO MODEL

first, next, last, take, put, give, cool, wow, look, help, want, more, all done, same, different, change

EXAMPLE PHRASES

- **First** we add water
- **Wow**, look, it changed!

✓ Asking Questions

WORDS TO MODEL

what, when, where, why, how, think, know, happen

EXAMPLE PHRASES

- **What** happened?
- **How** will it work?