



A		B		C		D		SPACE		END OF MESSAGE	
E		F		G		H		START OVER		I DON'T KNOW	
I		J		K		L		M		N	
O		P		Q_u		R		S		T	
U		V		W		X		Y		Z	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	∅	YES 	NO 

Letter Board - AEIOU format

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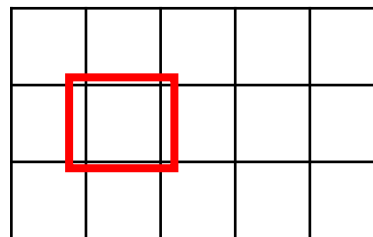
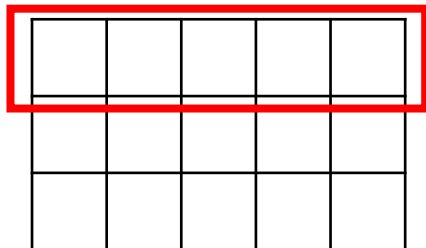


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2. Proceed row by row. Point to each row and ask if the letter is in that row.
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3. Patient will select a row using the established YES response. Verify the choice out loud.
4. Point to each letter within the selected row ("Is it A, B, C, D?").
4. Patient will signal the desired letter using the established YES response.
5. Confirm the selection & repeat.

Additional Considerations:

- Hold this tool ~12 inches (~30 cm) from the patient's face.
- Ensure good lighting, head positioning, and vision.
- Speak **loudly** and **clearly** using **simple language**.
- Wearing masks and other PPE may make it difficult to understand speech. Consider using communication tools when speaking to the patient as well.
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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 0

Q W E R T Y U I O P

A S D F G H J K L

Z X C V B N M . ?

START
AGAIN

SPACE

BACK

YES

MAYBE /
I DON'T
KNOW

NO

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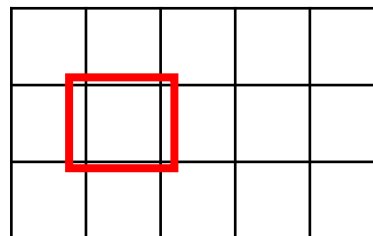
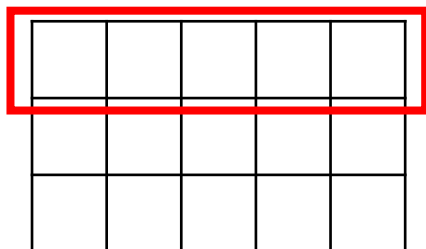


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