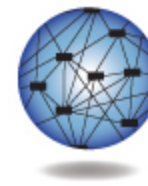



# Dynamic Learning Maps Writing Testlets

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# Writing



Assess writing in a way that is  
appropriate for all students



# Maximize student independence

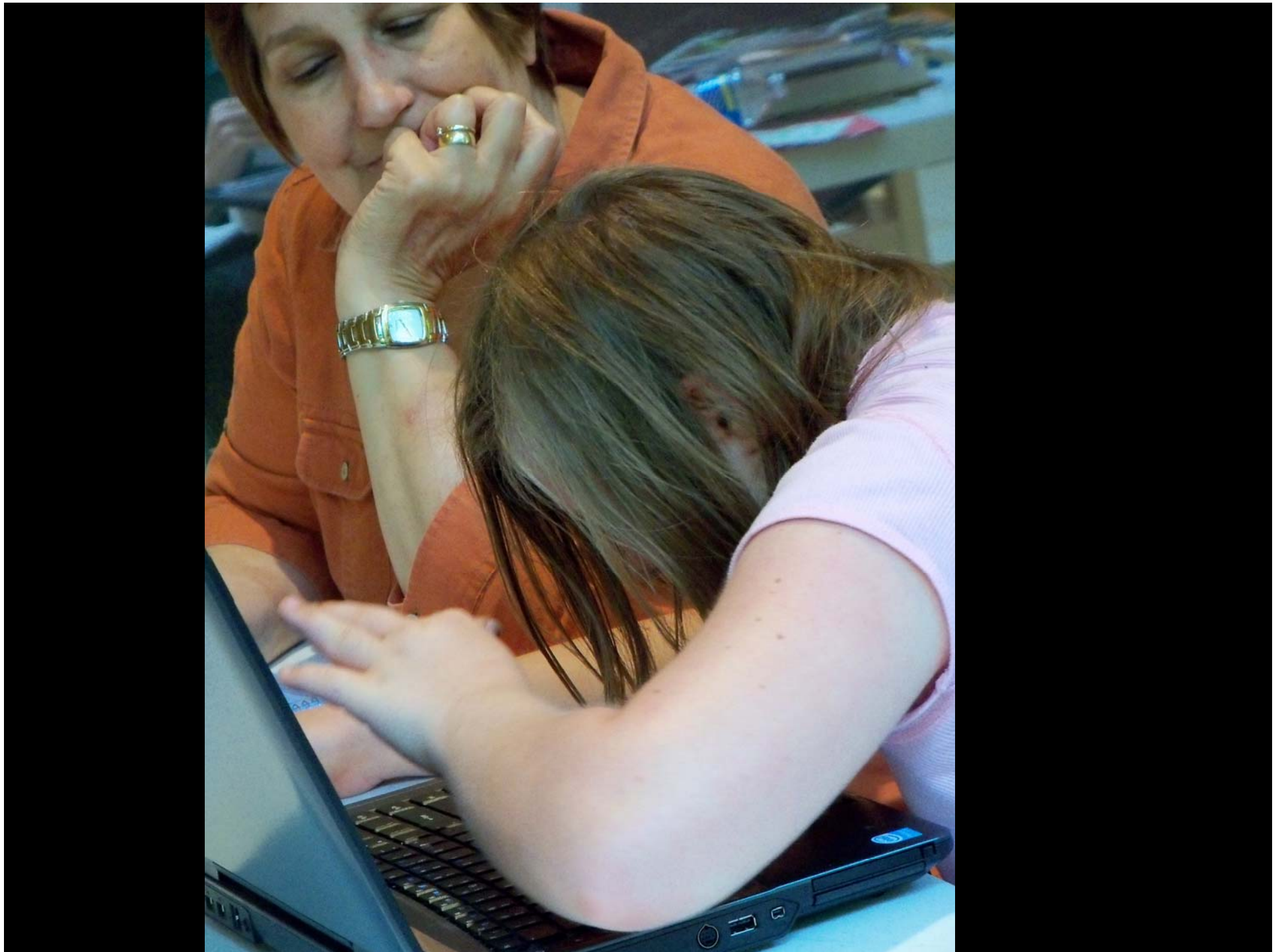


# Communication for All

# Tools for writing letters and words







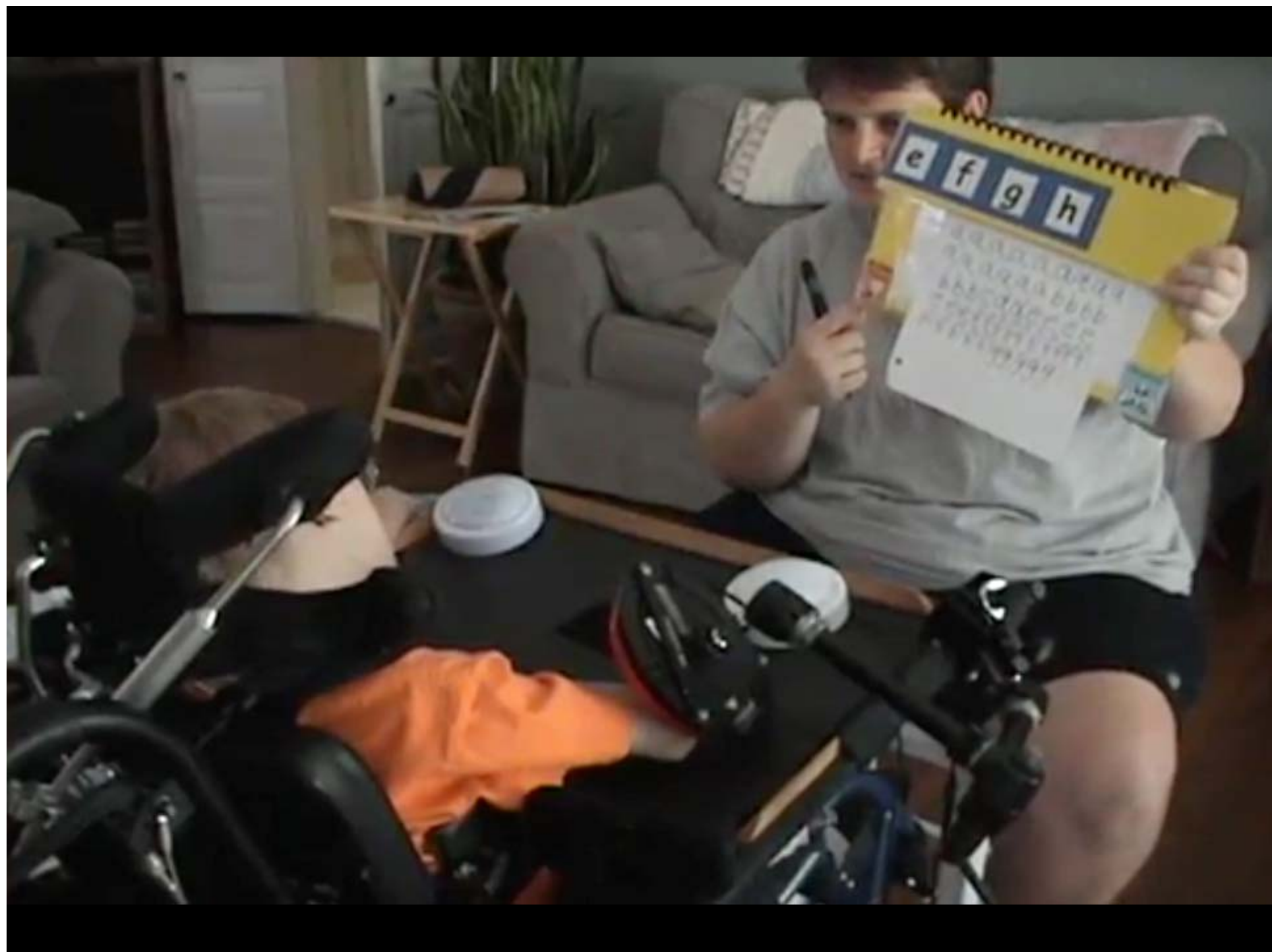




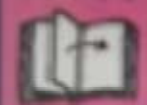




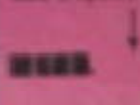




turn the page



add a space



a

b

c

d

finished





# Writing with Alternate Pencils

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# Emergent Writers

# Emergent Writing Testlets

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- Focus on nodes that are linked to grade level Essential Elements
- Important precursor skills on the way toward conventional writing

# Conventional Writing

# Teacher Administered Testlets

# Educator Directions

SHOW

SAY

WAIT and OBSERVE

BACK ↩



NEXT ➡



## Educator Directions:

SHOW: the object.

SAY: **"What is a word that tells about the (object)?"**

WAIT AND OBSERVE: Give the student time to communicate a word. If the student is able to write the word, encourage him or her to do so. After you have given the student an opportunity to write or communicate a word, select "NEXT."

BACK ↩



NEXT ➡

Choose the highest level that describes your observation.

- ☐ Writes the word that describes the object
- ☐ Communicates the word that describes the object
- ☐ Writes or communicates a word that is unassociated with the object
- ☐ Attends to other stimuli
- ☐ No response

BACK ↩

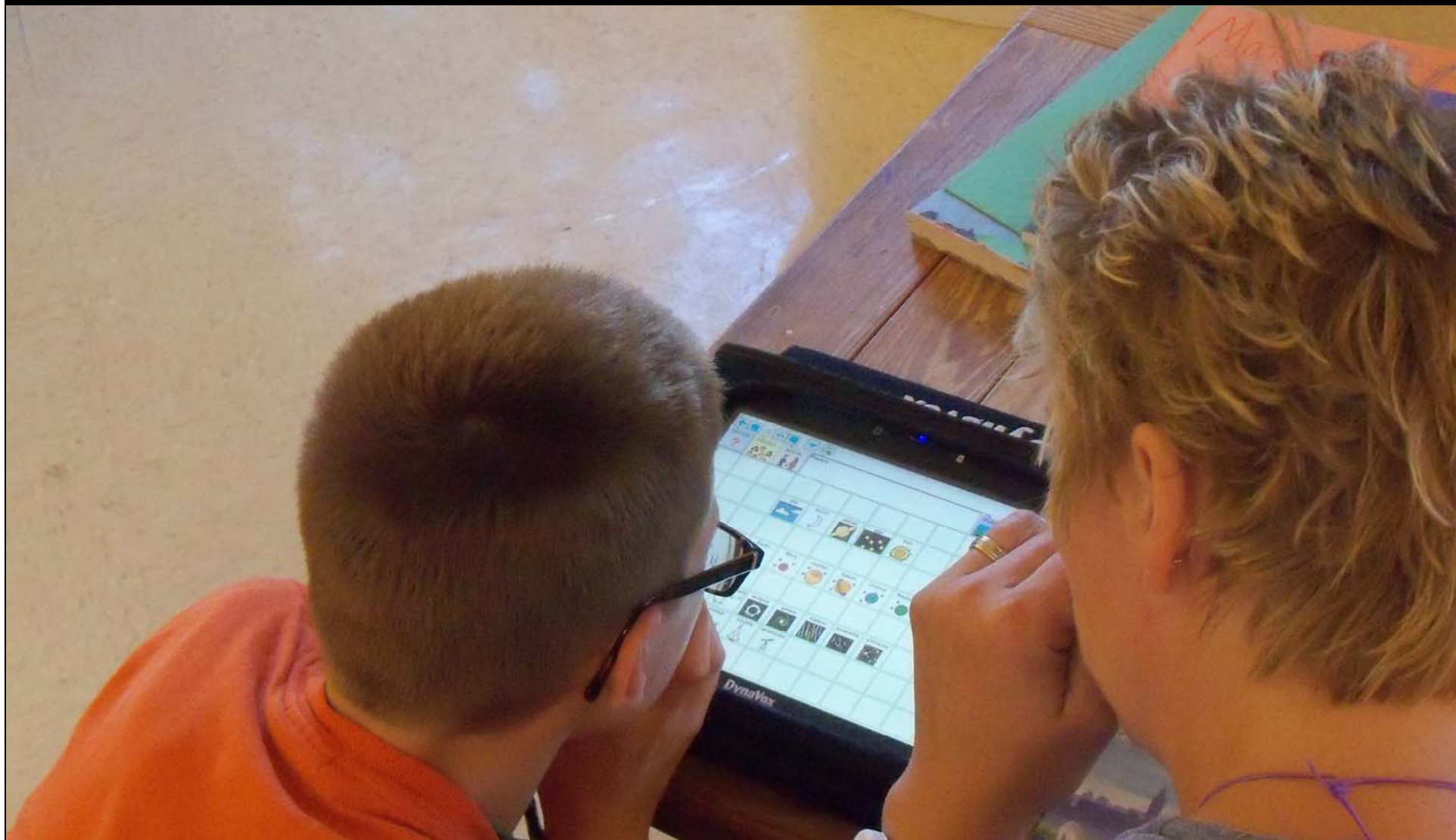


NEXT ➡

# Writing and Communicating

# Communicating









# Professional Development Modules

- Beginning Communicators
- Symbols

Everyone Writes!



# What counts as writing?

- Permitted:
  - Writing using any writing tool
  - Letter by letter dictation
  - Use of alternate pencils
  - Word prediction

# What Counts as Writing?

## Not permitted:

- Word banks
- Selection of symbols or pictures
- Dictation to test administrator (scribe)

# Prepare



# Resources for Preparation

- DLM Writing FAQ
  - Educator Resource Page
- Practice Writing Testlet
  - Writing FAQ
  - Testlet Information Page

# Test Administration Manual



# DLM Professional Development Modules

Writing with Alternate Pencils

Emergent Writing

Writing: Text Types and Purposes

Writing: Getting Started with  
Beginning Information Text



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