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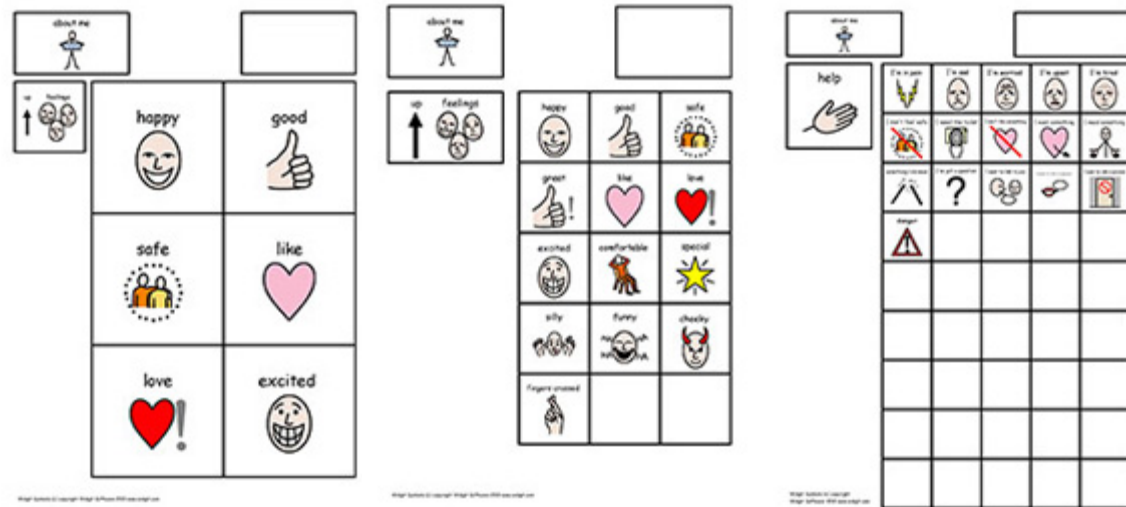
# Resources: Chailey Communication Systems

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# Chailey Communication System

- Published vocabulary designed originally for people with severe visual impairments
- Currently on Widgit website (purchasable but the manual is free) <https://www.widgit.com/resources/lifeskills/personal-social/ccs/>
- 6, 12 or 45 location



# CCS (2): 16 categories of vocabulary

About Me	Animals
Questions	Transport
People	Actions
Places	Descriptions
Activities	Time
Mealtimes	World
Body	Phrases
Clothes	Alphabet



# CCS (3)

- Systematic structure and layout
  - Items logically organised within categories (people, places, body etc)
  - Then subcategorised into topics (people – home, school, public workers, church, club, relations, pronouns, generic people etc);
- Predictable vocab organisation facilitates learning and ease of access
- Designed to be accessed using auditory scanning:  
communication partner reads out the list of categories for the user to indicate their choice (verbally, by nodding their head or using an agreed eye movement etc

