

## Communication Aids

*Toby Churchill Ltd provides a variety of communication aids, which are dedicated to helping those with speech loss or impairment.*

### Communication aid users

Communication aids come in many different designs in order to accommodate the wide range of physical disabilities which may accompany loss of speech, such as poor control, limited mobility, spasticity, slow reactions, cognitive limitations, impaired vision and deafness. They are used by people living with many different conditions such as Cerebral Palsy, Autism, Stroke Survival, Dyspraxia, Aphasia, Parkinson's Disease, Multiple Sclerosis and Traumatic Brain Injury.



Nathan

*Nathan: "I need my Lightwriter® all the time as it helps me to talk and interact with people. I can independently order my own food and drink in a café and talk to lots of different people which I really like."*

**Communication aids can be used to aid spoken and written language, and can supplement or replace speech as necessary. They can be a permanent addition to a person's communication or a temporary relief. Here are some examples of the different solutions available from Toby Churchill Ltd:**



### Lightwriter SL40 Series

**Fast, portable, practical.**

Lightwriters® are portable text-to-speech devices with dual displays, one facing the user and a second out-facing display allowing natural face-to-face communication. They are operated by keyboard and use a fast prediction system based on the user's own vocabulary. A certain degree of literacy is required to operate a Lightwriter.

### Compact Rolltalk

**Flexible, customisable.**

These screen-based devices are usually mounted on a supportive arm. They can be operated using a variety of methods including a touch-screen for those with dexterity, and an eye-tracker for those who have limited mobility. They run customisable Windows-based software packages that can be either text or picture-based, depending on the literacy of the user.

### Vocaflex

**Simple, compact.**

Vocaflex is a digital device which records sounds and voices for playback. Each message is identified by a picture or text displayed on an interchangeable grid, and so is suitable for people without literacy.

*Always consult your speech and language therapist for advice on the correct communication aid for your needs. For a demonstration or further information contact:*  
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