

Release Notes

DynaVox Compass Software, Version 1.2

This document summarizes the new features and enhancements and corrected issues associated with the release of version 1.2 of the DynaVox Compass Software.

New Features and Enhancements

- This release of the software features editing enhancements, including a redesign of the Editing Toolbar and the addition of new drawing and editing tools.
- The popup editing function has been improved to allow the popup to be viewed in edit mode at its actual size.
- New drawing and editing tools have been added to the Editing Toolbar:
 - Arrangement tools - A selected object can be moved up or down through the object layers on a page or popup.
 - Alignment tools - The relative positions of multiple selected objects on a page or popup can be adjusted.
 - Layout tools - A selected object on a page or popup can be centered or sized.
 - Spray tool - Copies of a selected object can be sprayed out to make a rectangular grid.
 - Scan Order tool - The order in which the page objects will scan can be set by the user.
 - Cut, Copy, and Paste tools
 - Select Parent, Select Content, and Clear Contents tools
 - New drawing tools:

Line	Text Box
Check Box	Radio Button
Freeform button	Symbol tool
Group Box	
- The ability to create and edit macros has been added.
- Cut, copy, and paste functions are enabled across pages.
- This release of the software adds additional options for deleting a page object. In addition to the trash icon that appears onscreen when an object is selected and moved, the user can now use the delete key on the keyboard, or select **Delete** from the *Edit* menu.
- Retina support has been added for iPads.
- On the T10 device, a Voice Manager has been added to enable the user to download additional voices from *myDynaVox.com*.

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- This release of the software allows multi-word (up to three word) abbreviation expansions.
 - An expression can now be entered into an action parameter that opens a selection dialog, (i.e. *OpenPage()*, *SetText()*, etc.)
 - An *OpenHomePage()* action has been added.
 - This version of the software now has the ability to search for text files in the *LoadText* action.
 - Pictures and videos taken using the camera app in Compass are now always stored in the Media Library.
 - This version includes the ability to select a symbol for use as a NavBar thumbnail.

Content Updates

- Versioning has been added to the pagesets.
- Missing keys have been added to various keyboard layouts.
- This version features many enhancements to the pagesets.

Master Page Pagesets

- Improvements have been made to Levels in the Master Page pagesets:
 - A *Levels* button has been added to the *Settings* menu. The *Levels* menu allows the user to change among the five Master Page layouts.
 - The layouts have been renamed. Previously they were called 3x3, 4x4, 5x5, 6x6, and 7x7. Now they are Levels 1-5.
 - The user can also change between Grid and Visual Scene layout, change keyboards, and turn the Speak Letters on keyboards on and off.
- The Master Page Core Words have been enhanced:
 - The Master Page Core Words pages now automorph like the NavBar Core Words pages do. Verbs will automatically change to match tense with pronouns and helper verbs.
 - Word endings have been added to the *Space/Clear/Punctuation* page for Levels 3-5.
 - Level 5 now has a *Back* button to allow for faster navigation among the three Core Word pages.
- Help videos have been added to the *Levels* menu for the Master Page. These videos include:
 - Editing
 - Explanations of each level
 - "About" videos for Topics, QuickFires, Word Lists, Keyboards, Core, QuickPhrases, and Supports

- Keyboard options have been expanded. Under the *Levels* menu, the user can switch among ABC (Grid-aligned), ABC, ABC w/word prediction, QWERTY, QWERTY with Word Prediction, or AEIOU layouts.
- A Whiteboard tool has been added to the Supports page (the page that is accessed through the *Supports* button on each topic page.)
- The "Behavior Supports" button has been renamed "Supports."
- Photo Stories similar to those in the NavBar pageset have been added to the Master Page Pagesets. The *Photo Stories* button has been added to the Master Page. This allows the user to add a series of photos and text.
- New templates have been added to the *Behavior Supports* folder for creating Check Mark Schedules with 9 or 15 locations.
- Master Pages and Word List Pages now have indicators at the bottom of the page that show the total number of pages and which page the user is currently on.
- The same scripts that were available in the NavBar topics are now also available in the Master Page topics.
- To facilitate creating a new topic, 15 blank, ready-to-populate topics ("New 1" through "New 15") have been added to the Master Page pageset.
- The *QuickFires*, *Word Lists*, *Core*, *QuickPhrases*, and *Keyboard* buttons now use macros instead of a regular action. This allows a user to globally change where all of these buttons point to by modifying the macros.
- QuickPhrases now has a *My Phrases* tab at Level 5, for personalized phrases.
- New video model supports have been added to specific topics. These are shown on the *Supports* page.
- More age-appropriate content has been added to adult versions of certain topics.
- Numerous content and word list improvements have been made.
- Preservation of state and handling of dropped tokens has been improved for the Token Charts.
- Visual Time support – A *Close* button has been added to exit the setup popup.

NavBar Pageset

- In Visual Scenes, Show/Hide hotspots is now controlled through the Button Properties panel.
- A *Levels* button has been added to the *Settings* menu.
- New video model supports have been added to specific topics and are accessible through an optional NavBar Menu page.
- New templates have been added to the *Behavior Supports* folder for creating Check Mark Schedules with 9 or 15 locations.
- A new *My Phrases* tab for has been added for custom phrases.

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- Verb morphology has been improved on the Core Words pages.
 - More age-appropriate content has been added to adult versions of certain topics.
 - This version includes numerous improvements to:
 - Photo Stories pages and templates
 - Script pages and templates
 - Content and word lists
 - Preservation of state and handling of dropped tokens has been improved for the Token Charts.
 - Visual Time support – A *Close* button has been added to exit the setup popup.
 - A bug in Photo Stories that prevented page 10 from playing has been fixed in this release.

Stroke and Brain Injury Persona Pageset

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- A *Levels* button has been added to the *Settings* menu.
- Improvements have been made to:
 - Script pages and templates
 - Photo Stories pages and templates
 - Content and word lists

Corrected Issues

- Previously, when a partial row was scanned, an object in the row could not be selected. Now it can be selected if it is at least 75% visible.
- In the WordPower pageset, the Spelling/Phonics pages in WordPower 60, Picture WordPower 60, & Picture WordPower 60 - Phrases & Categories were not speaking the phonemes on the DynaVox T10 device. This has been fixed.
- Previously, while using the Touch Exit access method, the bottom item in the Navbar was not selectable. Now it can be selected if it is at least 75% visible.
- In the previous version of the software, when using audio scanning with an audio cue, the audio cue for the message window was sometimes skipped. This has been fixed in this release.
- Previously, there was an issue when attempting to swipe the buttons at the bottom of the Vocabulary Grid as they were cut off. This has been fixed in this release.
- In the previous version of the software, an error occurred when the actions *PlayRecording()* and *RecordSound(name/seconds)* actions were added to an object. This has been fixed in this release.

- In the previous version of the software, when the **Images** tab was selected in the *Select a Symbol* menu, and then an image was selected, the *Select* button remained disabled. This has been fixed in this release.
- When scrolling down a page in the previous version of the software, rows of buttons would disappear until scrolling stopped. This has been fixed in this release.
- On the T10 device, the previous version of the software would occasionally crash during a spell check. This has been fixed in this release.
- This version of the software corrects an issue that caused the Compass software to crash after sequencing through pages and inserting *PictureSound(object)* into message window.
- In the previous version of the software, the *Speak()-ToggleChatMode()-Speak()* sequence of actions caused the software to crash. This has been fixed in this release.
- This version of the software corrects an issue with the *Speak(Sentence)* action that caused all buttons on the page to become unselectable.
- This version of the software corrects an issue that caused the software to freeze when trying to play a video restored from myDynaVox.
- In the previous version of the software, enabling the camera from the *Select Image* menu caused the software to crash. This has been fixed in this release.
- In the previous version of the software, cancelling the export pages function closed the software. This has been fixed in this release.
- This version of the software corrects an issue that may have caused the software to insert an extra character and cause a password error when hitting **Enter/Return** on a keyboard in the *MyDynaVox Login* dialog.
- In the previous version of the software, the software would crash after speaking a pronunciation exception with an underscore. This has been fixed in this release.
- This version of the software corrects an issue that occasionally caused the software to crash when trying to open the system keyboard.
- In the previous version of the software, when using the whiteboard, the contents of the message window were occasionally erased. This has been fixed in this release.