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HOME PROGRAM: Practicing Word-finding/Utilizing Circumlocution, Complex #1

Listed are example words to role-play for practicing circumlocution as a technique when word-finding difficulties arise in conversations. See “[HANDOUT-ABLE: Word-finding/Utilizing Circumlocution as a Compensatory Strategy.](#)”

CIRCUMLOCUTION = an expressive language compensatory strategy to aid individuals who exhibit word-finding difficulties in conversational contexts. This technique involves: 1. Identification that a word-finding difficulty event is occurring; 2. Verbalizations occur to perform the following for the target/intended word: define, describe, provide examples of what the word is, and provide examples of what the word is not. 3. A continuation of these verbalizations occur until the target word is produced or until the person who is the listener understands the gist of the message. The circumlocution process involves “talking around the word” when a word cannot “be found” during conversations and allows for a continuation of the relay of wants/needs. 4. This allows for communications to remain fluid rather than halting due to word-finding difficulties. This fluidity of language avoids awkwardness, frustration or other uncomfortable emotions for the speaker and/or listener.

- Tranquil
- Glorious
- Generous
- Gigantic
- Incredible
- Subsequently
- Meanwhile
- Philosophy
- Cleverness
- Comparison
- Interpretation
- Indication
- Nevertheless
- Notwithstanding
- Commission
- Otherwise
- Titanic

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- Enlightened
- Delightful
- Maintenance
- Appropriate
- Restricted
- Consequences
- Administration
- Effective
- Enumerate
- Terminate
- Ascertain
- Determination
- Abtrusive
- Preparation
- Molecular
- Estimation
- Complicated
- Surprising
- Intangible
- Reactions
- Uncomfortable
- Perception
- Industrious
- Synthesis
- Enthusiastic
- Meticulous
- Subtle
- Condone
- Strategic
- Traditional
- Decisive
- Capable
- Accomplished
- Proven