**Combining Abstract Symbols Strategy**

**(Combine Known Symbols, Practice in Routines, Respond to Intent)**

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**Introduction (Partner):** combine known abstract symbol in existing routines and provide opportunities to use “new” two- and three- symbol utterances. For example: During lunch routine (with water and milk available), combine the individual’s symbol for “drink” and “milk” as partner says “Drink more milk”.

**Targeted Behaviors (Response):** demonstrates understanding of the combined use of known abstract symbols.

**Partner’s Response:** respond appropriately according to the individual's intent.

**Outcome:** Individual increases utterances across Level VI intents (greet, offer, direct attention, polite social forms, answer/ask questions).