

The Social Communication Bridge®

Used with Social Communication Anxiety Treatment® or S-CAT®

Used in the treatment of Selective Mutism

SOCIAL > ENGAGEMENT

NONCOMMUNICATIVE

COMMUNICATIVE

STAGE 0

NONCOMMUNICATIVE*

No Responding
 No Initiating

Social Engagement is needed to communicate:

1. Frontline™
2. Handover/Takeover™
3. Waving

*Two Types of Noncommunicative:

1. Child motionless/expressionless/frozen/mute
2. Child seemingly ignores person while interacting or speaking to other(s). Mute toward others.

STAGE 1

NONVERBAL (NV)

1A–Nonverbally Responsive
 1B–Nonverbally Initiative

1. Nodding™
2. Pointing/Gesturing
3. Writing

STAGE 2

TRANSITIONAL (TV)

2A–Transitionally Responsive
 2B–Transitionally Initiative

1. Verbal Intermediary®
(Transfer of speech via another person or object)
2. Sounds to Words
(Informal Sounds to Ritual Sound Approach® (RSA))
3. Augmentation Device
(Tape & Play)

STAGE 3

VERBAL (V)

3A–Verbally Responsive
 3B–Verbally Initiative

1. Whispering/Quiet Speech
2. Script Approach
(Audible Reading)
3. Altered Speech



Increasing Social Comfort & Communication