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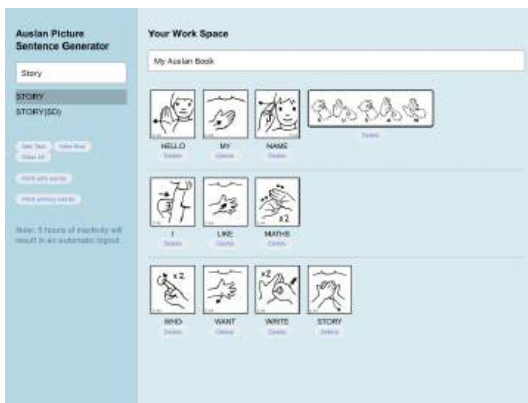
*Hello Friends! Welcome to the Auslan Resources Newsletter*

## November 2024 Update

Hello, we have a lot of new content in this month's Newsletter!

An Auslan version of this Newsletter with video clips of the new additions is in [www.auslanresources.com.au/updates.htm](http://www.auslanresources.com.au/updates.htm)

### ★ NEW – AUSLAN PICTURE SENTENCE GENERATOR



- We're thrilled to introduce an exciting new tool—the Auslan Picture Sentence Generator!
- In the Australian Curriculum for Auslan, all year levels (except Foundation) include a Sub-Strand called Creating Text in Auslan.
- The Auslan Picture Sentence Generator is designed to support students in creating their own Auslan texts. With access to over 1,700 Auslan images, students can easily construct sentences and phrases in Auslan.
- Once completed, students can print their Auslan sheets and save them in their Auslan folders for future reference.

### ★ NEW – STUDENTS' AUSLAN WORK SPACE

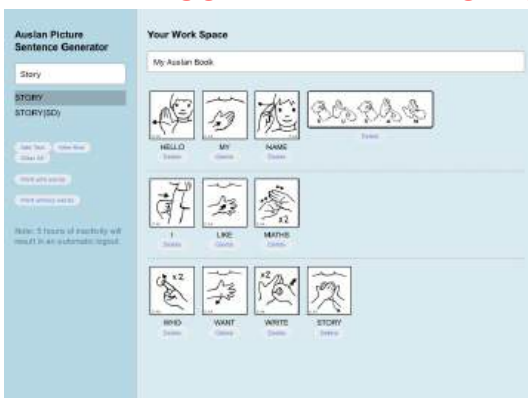


- We're excited to introduce the new Students' Auslan Workspace!
- This innovative tool allows students to create their own Auslan videos, with a picture displayed on the left side and their video on the right.



- Students can also design Auslan web pages (HTML), where they can insert their videos and add descriptions. These pages can then be shared with the school's IT team for display on the school's website portal.

### ★ NEW – AUSLAN TEACHER'S WORK SPACE



- We're pleased to announce the launch of a dedicated Auslan Teacher's Workspace, designed to support Auslan educators with their teaching and assessment needs. This workspace includes:

## 1. Auslan Picture Sentence Generator

Teachers can create Auslan worksheets to print and distribute to students for in-school use only.

For educators looking to create their own Auslan books or teaching materials, a Commercial Licence is available. Visit [www.helloauslan.com.au](http://www.helloauslan.com.au) for more details.

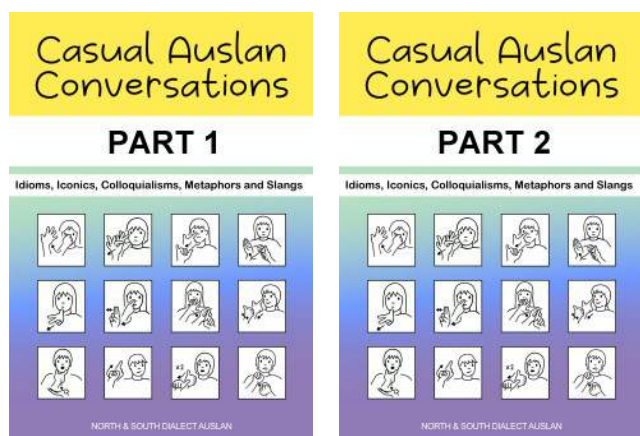
## 2. Auslan Evaluation Feedback Videos

A powerful tool for providing specific feedback, this feature allows teachers to drag a student's video onto the left side of the screen and record their feedback on the right. The dual-screen video can then be saved for reference.

- Additionally, we're exploring the addition of an Auslan Rubric, which will help teachers assess students' Auslan fluency and mark their skills accurately. Stay tuned for updates!

## ★ NEW – CASUAL AUSLAN CONVERSATIONS

*Auslan Idioms, Iconics, Metaphors, Colloquialisms and Slangs*



### Casual Auslan Conversations Part 1 and Part 2

are designed to help students become familiar with a variety of Auslan expressions, including idioms, iconics, colloquialisms, metaphors, and slang. These resources will equip students to use these expressions naturally in everyday Auslan conversations.

- Mastering these signs will give students a distinct advantage in their end-of-year examinations.
- Teachers will have access to a Teacher's Instructional Video as well as downloadable Auslan videos to keep for ongoing use.

## ★ NEW – \$5 PER STUDENT SCHOOL SUBSCRIPTION

- The new resources listed above are now part of our School Subscription Model. This includes an initial purchase that provides all e-books during the first year, followed by an affordable annual fee of \$5 per student for online access to all previously purchased subscriptions.

### Planning for Next Year:

- If you or your school are interested, we recommend discussing the \$5 per student annual fee with your principal. This fee could potentially be included in subject fees for parents or covered within the school budget as part of preparations for the upcoming school year.

- For more information, visit: [https://auslanresources.com.au/school\\_subscriptions.htm](https://auslanresources.com.au/school_subscriptions.htm).

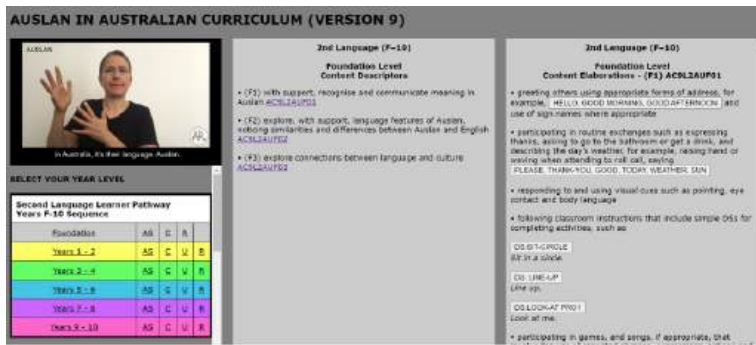
- In our last newsletter, we mentioned the Auslan School Program Package, which allowed schools to download Auslan content for their website portals. Based on your feedback, we've decided not to move forward with this program, as some schools lack the necessary website capabilities to support Auslan videos.

- Instead, we will continue with our School Subscriptions, now featuring the new \$5 per student yearly fee for access to all previously purchased subscription packages. This approach will save your school money in the long run while maintaining access to valuable Auslan resources.

## ★ SCHOOL SUBSCRIPTION DAILY ACCESS CODE – BETA MODE

- We are excited to trial a new, secure access system for schools participating in our School Subscription program.
- **Auslan teachers** will have their own username and password to log in, along with two-factor authentication to generate a daily access code.
- **Students** can log in using their school's username, password, and the daily access code provided by their teacher. This allows them to access resources both at school and at home.
- This feature is currently in BETA mode, and we are working to resolve any remaining bugs. We hope to have the system fully operational by next year.

## ★ NEW – AUSTRALIAN CURRICULUM – AUSLAN INTERACTIVE TOOL



- We're excited to announce the release of the long awaited Auslan Interactive Tool, designed to align with Version 9 of Auslan in the Australian Curriculum.

- ACARA's online content can sometimes be challenging to navigate, but our tool makes it significantly easier with its design and colour-coded year levels. All Auslan videos in the tool have been recreated from ACARA's original videos for clarity and ease of use.

- To complement this, we've also made A3 Curriculum Content Posters available for download. These posters provide a clear overview of the curriculum for each year level, helping Auslan teachers see how everything fits together.

## ★ 2025 AUSLAN RESOURCES TEACHERS NETWORK LIST

- In 2024, approximately 30 Auslan teachers from across Australia joined the Auslan Resources Teachers Network List, including 10 from Vic, 9 from WA, 4 from Qld, 4 from NSW, 2 from SA, and 1 from NT.
- This network connects Auslan teachers who have previously purchased our resources and are interested in collaborating, sharing ideas, and providing feedback on teaching Auslan in schools.
- We hope you've found the network list valuable! For 2025, we'll be updating the list, and your details will remain unless you request removal. If you'd like to be removed, please contact us, and we'll ensure your details are deleted.
- If you'd like to join the network or receive a copy of the updated list, please complete the form on our webpage: [https://auslanresources.com.au/update\\_stuff/Network\\_Form/teacher\\_information\\_form.php](https://auslanresources.com.au/update_stuff/Network_Form/teacher_information_form.php)

The updated network list will be sent out at the end of December 2024.

## UPDATE NEWS ON AUSLAN SMART BOOKS / AUSLAN KIDS BOOKS

- If you have purchased Auslan Smart Books (Deer, Bird, Rabbit, Caterpillar) or Auslan Kids Books (Matt, Kat, Bethany, Mary) over the past couple of years, you should have received an email with updated password access to ensure the security of the online content. Previously, access was open to all, which may have led to some users from overseas accessing the content.

### Changes to Auslan Smart Books:

- The individual QR codes for each page, which previously linked to separate Auslan videos, will no longer be used. Instead, there will be one QR code that directs users to a private webpage containing all the Auslan videos and online content in one place.
- We encourage schools to purchase a School Subscription for their students to easily access all online content.
- For those who wish to continue accessing the content without a School Subscription (having originally purchased the books with unlimited access), please contact us. We will provide you with a new 2025 School username and password to maintain your access.

## COMING UP:

*Auslan Grammar - Introduction to Constructed Actions*

*Auslan Grammar - Introduction to Auslan Syntax*

*All About Australia – Teacher's Auslan Package for All Year Levels*

*All About Weather – Teacher's Auslan Package for All Year Levels*

*Auslan Dictionary (School Subscription) – Students type in any Auslan words and it will show an Auslan sign for it*

Have a good break coming up,

Kind regards,

Susan

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