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Talking Products



During this time of separation from our loved ones is challenging and lonely, especially for those in residential and nursing homes, who we can no longer visit and connect with.

This resource gives you information on three Talking Products and advice on how these can be used to support your loved during these restricted times

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Talking Tiles



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Talking Tiles are a great communication device that allows you and your family to record a message for your loved one who you may be unable to see during this time.

These can provide connectivity for people during this time and give reassurance to the user

The Talking Tile records up to 80 seconds of audio. Simply press the Talking Tile to hear the message.

You can place a photograph, a symbol, drawing or simple text on the face of the Talking Tile that attracts the user to press

Ideas for Using your Talking Tile

Think of what is meaningful to the person and what they would enjoy hearing

- A special message from grandchildren or other relatives
- Record a short familiar story or poem
- Sing a familiar song to your loved one that is meaningful to them
- Upload a song or recording from MP3 player that the user enjoys and can sing a long
- Record a prayer that will support the person to initiating

For more information see talkingproducts.com Available at www.murrays.ie See You Tube Video of Talking Tiles [here](#)



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Talking Photo Album Deluxe



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The Talking Photo Album is another great way to send stories, photographs and messages to your loved one. Each of the 20 photograph sleeves allows you to record a message to go with the photograph. You have over two hours to record. The user must press the play button on the side of the photograph sleeve to hear the message – this can be prompted and supported by healthcare staff

Ideas for Using your Talking Photo Album

- Create a memory book of the person you are gifting to e.g. photos from their childhood and all the way through the special moments in their life – record a message to each photo
- Create an album of family e.g. photo of children and grandchildren, have each person record a special message about the photograph
- Familiar places – put photos of memorable places from the person's life e.g. where they lived or worked, the town they grew up in or special places to them. Add a familiar story to each image or a song they enjoy
- A Talking Photo Album can also be used for instruction and prompting e.g. recipes, poetry, prayer etc.

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Talking Greeting Cards



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Talking Cards allows you to create a personalised card for your loved one
Record a message that plays when the card is opened
The message can be up to 40 seconds long
You can create your own image on the front of the card with a drawing or photograph
Decorate the inside also with drawings or photographs

Ideas for Using your Talking Card

- Use for special occasions such as birthdays or Christmas
- Record a song or a personal message
- Or place photographs inside the card, record a message about each photograph
- Cover the card with a collage of images
- The talking card can be supportive for people with dementia as it may be more instinctive to open a card

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