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Since 1858, The American Printing House for the Blind has operated in Louisville, Kentucky, empowering people who are blind and visually impaired by providing accessible and innovative products, materials, and services for lifelong success. Our vision is for an accessible world, with opportunity for everyone.

Color Star®

[Color Star](#) is a small and lightweight powerful color identifier. It recognizes more than 1,000 different color shades, identifies contrast measurements, recognizes the color of LED lights, perceives the light intensity in the surrounding environment, and recognizes patterns – all with speech output.

Functional Skills Assessment

The [Function Skills Assessment \(FSA\)](#) is a tool for evaluating and gauging a person's readiness for daily living tasks, from cooking and cleaning, to self-care and social skills:

- a. Clothing Management – clothing storage, laundering, sewing
- b. Food Management – managing cooking tools and equipment, planning menus, preparing food, labeling, and storing food
- c. Home Management – organizing surfaces and materials, managing household chores, understanding home safety practices
- d. Self Management – grooming, social skills, consumer skills

Illinois Braille Series

The [Illinois Braille Series](#) is a classic program for teaching literary braille to former print readers. It includes raised print letters, braille, tracking guidelines, practice activities, writing drills, and a vast variety of reading selections. This two-volume set progresses from uncontracted to contracted braille in 50 lessons.



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Juno

Magnify on-the-go with this powerful, 7-inch LCD touchscreen handheld video magnifier with Optical Character Recognition (OCR).

Designed to accommodate the needs of those with low vision, [Juno](#) is a great magnifying solution for use during work and recreational activities. Juno can capture and process multiple pages of printed text using OCR. Users can either read the text on Juno's 7-inch LCD screen, or have it read aloud using text-to-speech (TTS).

Juno offers 2x-30x magnification and 24 high-contrast color modes as well as a 180 degree rotating barrel camera that supports four camera modes: self-view, reading-view, distance-view, and writing/hobby-view. Multiple languages are supported on this device, including English, French, Spanish, German, and Chinese.

Learn more about other APH magnifiers and additional low vision tools by reading our [Building Your Low Vision Toolkit blog](#).



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TactileDoodle™

Draw, play, and create – your way! The [TactileDoodle](#) is a low-tech drawing board that can be used to generate tactile, raised-line graphics quickly and independently, to convey a variety of concepts or art within the classroom and at home, including:

- Demonstrate a variety of concepts related to science, math, geography, etc.
- Illustrate spatial concepts and simple maps
- Practice handwriting skills
- Play interactive games, like tic-tac-toe
- Accommodate more open-ended, artistic drawing activities
- Practice tracing skills within a stencil or around a 3D object
- Provide tactile illustrations during teachable moments



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Topaz Filters – Adult

Filter the amount of indoor/outdoor blue light exposure and reduce glare with UltraLens filters.

The [Topaz Filters – Adult](#) glasses use UltraLens technology to reduce glare and filter the amount of blue light exposure from computer screens, overhead lights, fluorescent lights, and the outdoors. These lenses help to provide a more comfortable viewing experience for the user by enhancing contrast and reducing eye strain and fatigue.

Feel ‘n Peel (Labels/Stickers)

The [Feel ‘n Peel series](#) of products can be used in numerous ways by teachers, parents, students, and adults.

From graphs and games, to labeling personal belongings, these stickers are perfect for creating, adapting, and making everyday objects accessible. A Suggested Uses Guide (Large Print and Braille) is included with each product.

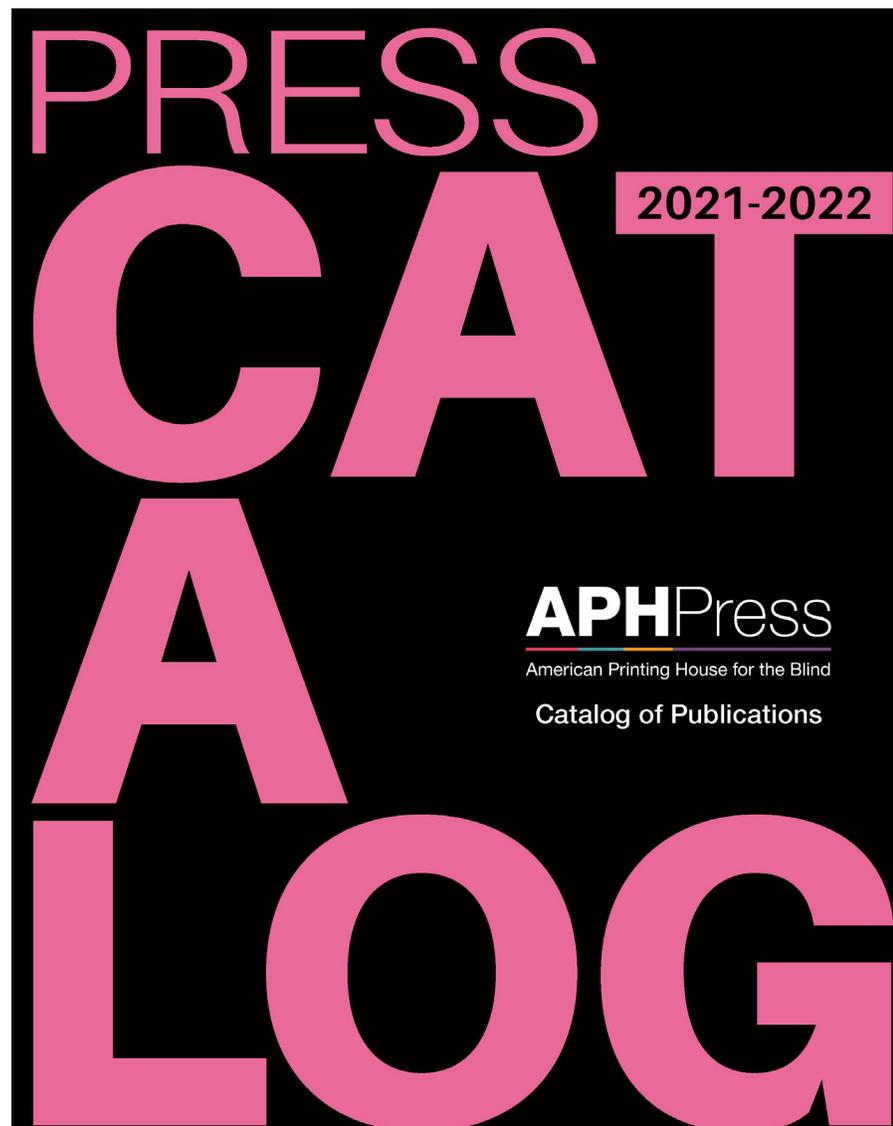
- a. **Stickers I and II** – These tactile/visual stickers are printed and/or embossed on durable plastic with translucent colors.
- b. **Braille/Print Capital Letters A-Z** – These stickers are intended for the creation and adaptation of print capital letter materials.
- c. **Braille/ Print Numbers 0-100, Nemeth or UEB** – These stickers are intended for the creation and adaptation of science- and math-related materials
- d. **Basic Math Symbols, Nemeth or UEB** – These stickers are intended for the creation and adaptation of math related materials.
- e. **Carousel of Textures I and II** – Carousel of Textures offers an assortment of sheets in a variety of textures and colors.

APH Press

APH Press is a scholarly press which supports the mission of the American Printing House for the Blind: “Empowering people who are blind or visually impaired by providing accessible and innovative products, materials, and services for lifelong success.”

The Press fulfills its role by publishing informative, well-researched, and innovative texts which allow people of all abilities to maximize their potential in society. The audience for our books includes people who are blind or visually impaired, their families, and the professionals who support them. Our authors, for the most part, are practitioners—people who have years of direct experience working with clients in a clinical setting or educating future professionals at colleges and universities

[Learn more about APH Press](#) and view our [Catalog](#).



APH ConnectCenter



The [APH ConnectCenter](#) offers FREE curated advice and resources to assist children, parents, adults, and job seekers who are blind and visually impaired, and their associated professionals.

Through the APH ConnectCenter website, you are able to access these ConnectCenter resources, and much more:

- **APH's Information & Referral Hotline:** One of our experienced representatives can provide free information on virtually any topic related to visual impairment and blindness. Call toll-free (800) 232-5463 or e-mail us at connectcenter@aph.org.
- **FamilyConnect:** Offers support and resources for families of children who are blind or visually impaired.
- **CareerConnect:** Employment information, tools, and guidance for job seekers who are visually impaired or blind.
- **VisionAware:** Designed for adults and seniors who are living with vision loss.
- **ConnectCalendar:** For use by the entire blindness field to find and promote events, all in one place. [Promote and share](#) your organization's event by adding it to the Calendar, or [discover upcoming events](#).

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- [APH ConnectCenter Transition Hub](#): Planning for graduation and life after school brings up a lot of questions. Find information about transition programs that emphasize empowerment, career exploration, and work experiences for teens and young adults who are blind and visually impaired.

APH also receives your questions via our e-mail: connectcenter@aph.org.

ConnectCenter Events Calendar

Through this hub, people are able to access the three ConnectCenter websites: [FamilyConnect](#), [CareerConnect](#), and [VisionAware](#). This website also includes an events calendar meant to be used by the entire blindness field. Instead of trying to keep track of all the events being hosted by all the blindness organizations, people can find everything in one place.

To submit your organization's event, go to aphconnectcenter.org and fill out the event submission form.

Transition Hub

This is an interactive collection of resources for transition-age youth. The APH ConnectCenter TransitionHub is made possible through generous funding from The Gibney Family Foundation.

Getting Started: A Guide for People New to Vision Loss

APH is so excited to present the Getting Started Guide for Adults with Vision Loss, which was made possible by a partnership between APH and the Reader's Digest Partners for Sight Foundation. This guide is helpful for those individuals who have been recently diagnosed with a visual impairment. It is designed to help answer some questions one might have if they find themselves wondering what to do, who to contact, and where to go. This guide will point users in the direction of finding the tools, information, support systems, and guidance they seek during this challenging time in their lives.



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The Guide provides guidance on exactly what steps you need to take to get started on your journey and arm you with the knowledge and support systems available to you and that you need to help you live at your maximum independence. Steps such as:

- Make an appointment for an Eye Exam.
- Have a low vision examination. The Guide provides some resources that have information about low vision services.
- Explore vision rehabilitation services.
- Get connected with others who are experiencing what you may be experiencing and connect to resources, to services, to peers, and to activities.

Starting with these steps can bring you comfort, knowledge, and support.

More than 25 million Americans report trouble seeing, and APH is here to help by providing this guide in many formats, including print, web, social media, apps, a toll-free hotline, and more. APH will be sending Guides out to local lighthouses for the blind. If you would like a guide, feel free to call the APH Information & Referral Line (800) 232-5463 or go to aphconnectcenter.org.



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