## Written Choice Conversation Strategy

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| Ask patient a “wh” question (who, what, when, where, how many, how much, why?) | Nurse: “Gus, what do you want to watch on TV?”  
Patient: [does not answer]  
Nurse: “OK, do you want to watch... [writes and says]  
● Sports  
● News  
● Cops  
● Nothing?”  
Nurse: “Please point, Gus.”  
Patient: [Points to ‘Cops’.]  
Nurse: [Circles ‘Cops’].  
“Oh, OK, I’ll turn on Cops for you.”  
Nurse: “How long do you think you want to stay up tonight?” |
| Write 3 or 4 key words to represent possible choices or answers (Put a ● in front of each choice)  
- or draw/use a 5-pt scale  
- or draw/use a map | |
| Read the choices aloud as you point.                                    | |
| Ask the patient to POINT to an answer.                                  | |
| Circle the patient’s answer and confirm aloud.                          | |
| Ask another question if appropriate.                                    | |