

Reading

Type of Technology: Tools & Features

- Text to Speech: Reads the text on your computer screen
 - Color Tracking: highlights words as it reads them
 - Compatible: Works with multiple File Formats including: Standard Text, MS Word (compatible with .doc and .docx files), HTML and Rich Text Formats.
 - Cut and Paste “to” or “from” any program.
 - Reading Options : Adjustable reading speeds plus ability to read one word at a time or continuously.
- Flash Reader: select images of text and have them converted into text that is readable by text-to-speech software
- Daisy Reader
- Screen Masking
- Screen Tinting
- Bookmarks:
 - Add bookmarks
 - Navigate book using file tags / bookmarks
- Synchronized notes
- Auto-formatting: Cleans up text layout but maintains content like images
- Scanning
 - Adjustable spacing for lines, words and characters
 - Full Color or Black & White scanning
- Text-to-Audio: Convert files into MP3 or other audio formats
- Invert Color for high contrast reading
- Translation to other languages
- Dictionary Support:
 - Easily looks words up and have the definition read to you
- Summarization: (Assist with Reading Efficiency)
 - Summarize a document so that you can get to the key aspects of the content faster.
- Highlighting/Highlighting Extraction:
 - Create note pages and word lists from the highlights you put in your etextbooks / reading materials

Resources & Services:

1. Disability Service Office / AMAC Alternative Media Services: <http://amacusg.org/services.php>
Contact Disability Services Office at your chosen college for details.
2. Bookshare.org: <http://bookshare.org>
Bookshare is an online library of digital books for people with print disabilities.
3. Learning Ally: <http://www.learningally.org>
Audiobooks available to people with print disabilities.
4. Project Gutenberg: <http://www.gutenberg.org>
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6. Audible.com <http://www.audible.com/>
Provides access to thousands of audio books that can play from your computer or a number of portable devices like an iPhone; App available. <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/audible-audiobooks-and-more/id379693831?mt=8>