

Assistive Technology Resources

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Audio Book Resources

- The Public Library
- *Learning Ally – www.learningally.org
- *Bookshare – www.bookshare.org
- Recorded Books – www.recordedbooks.com
- www.booksontape.com
- Apps: Audible; iBooks; Learning Ally; OverDrive; Audiobooks

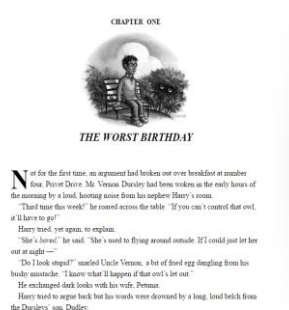
* Individual membership restricted to those who have a demonstrated learning disability, visual impairment, or physical disability that makes it difficult to read using traditional print. Organizational memberships available.



eBooks

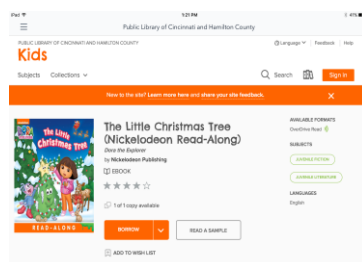
- Google Play Books —→
- Kindle App
- iBooks

https://play.google.com/books/read?printacv=shortcoveroutput=reader&ub=5Tab&w=700&pg=GBS.FTB
 Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets — J.K. Rowling



eBooks Supported by Audio

- "Read Along" books on iBooks and OverDrive



- Text-to-speech technology to read printed text



Text-to-Speech Resources

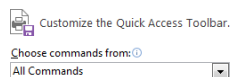
- Free software built in on devices
- PC – Microsoft Office Programs:
 - 1) Next to the Quick Access Toolbar, click Customize Quick Access Toolbar



- 2) Click More Commands

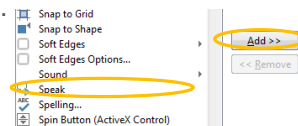


- 3) In the Choose commands from list, select All Commands



- 4) Scroll down to the Speak command and select it.

- 5) Click Add.



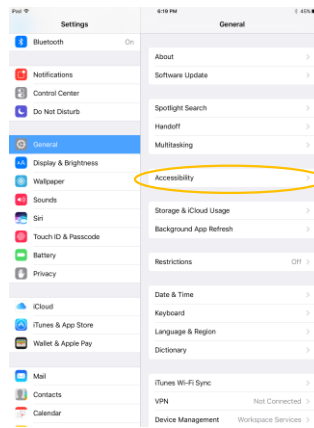
- 6) Click OK.

- 7) You can hear text spoken by highlighting the text you want to hear, then clicking the Speak command.



Text-to-Speech Resources

- iPad or iPhone:
 - 1) Settings → General
 - 2) Accessibility



3) Speech



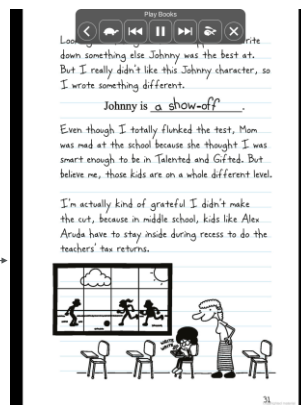
4) Select Speak Screen



Text-to-Speech on iPad or iPhone

5) Swipe down with two fingers from the top of the screen to hear the content of the screen.

Example: Using Speak Screen with iBooks

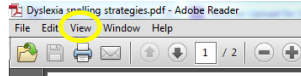


Text-to-Speech Resources

- Adobe Reader – Read Aloud feature

– PC:

- 1) Click View
- 2) Read Out Loud
- 3) Click Activate Read out Loud
- 4) Go back to View, Read Out Loud for additional options



Text-to-Speech Resources

- Natural Reader – web and app
- Capti Voice Narrator – web and app
- Read2Go app – corresponds with Bookshare
- Voice Dream Reader app
- Speak It! Text to Speech app
- ClaroSpeak app
- Kurzweil – Commercial purchase
- Project Gutenberg - www.gutenberg.org
- Optical Character Recognition (OCR) – converts scanned images/pictures into readable text format
 - Example: Readiris app



Speech-to-Text Resources

- Built in on devices:
 - Windows: Start → Control Panel → Ease of Access → Speech Recognition
 - Apple products:
 - Dictation: Settings → General → Keyboards → Enable Dictation
 - Siri
- Easy Spelling Aid app
- Dragon Dictation app
- Dragon NaturallySpeaking
- Voice Typing in Google Docs (only available in Google Chrome)



Additional Technology Tools

- Notability app – notetaking; recording lectures
- American Wordspeller app – allows student to look up words based on the way they sound
- Google Chrome Extensions:
 - Read and Write for Google
 - Visor
 - Readability
 - Speak It!



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