



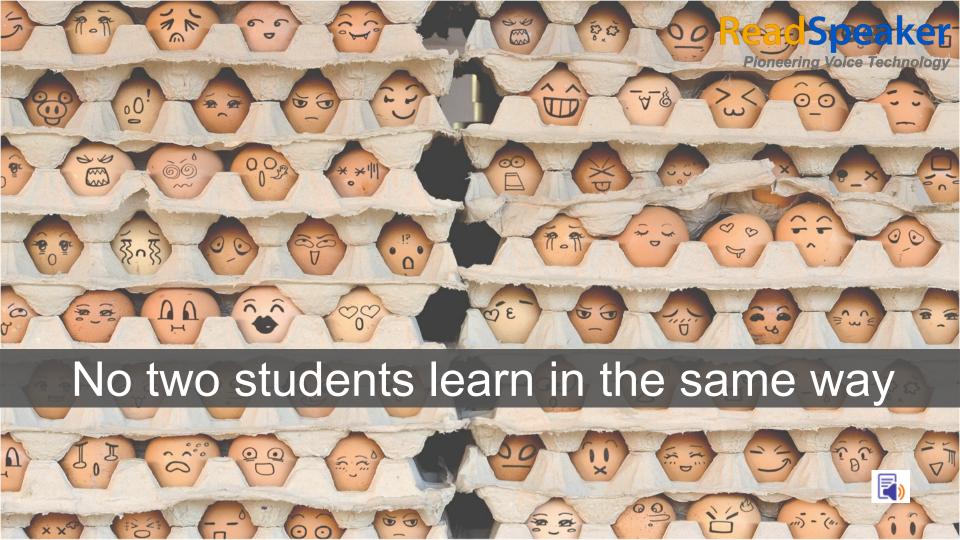


Convenience, accessibility and design for all



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A recent study on Student Perceptions of Faculty Implementation of Universal Design for Learning

demonstrated that nearly 80%
of students who indicated they had a
disability did not
choose to report their disabilities to the
university
http://files.eric.ed.gov/fulltext/EJ941729.pdf

Read Speaker 20% "confess" to have concentration issues to read or to comprenhend what has been read Multimodal Campus Project: Pilot test of voice supported reading, Universitat de Barcelona

ReadSpeaker TextAid supports UDL principles

ReadSpeaker

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ACCESSIBILITY

20% of the population with:

- **★**Limited literacy skills
- **★**Visual impairments
- **★**Learning disabilities
 - **★**Dyslexia
 - ★Foreign-born

...providing
UNIVERSAL
REACH and
excellent
STUDENT
EXPERIENCE



ENGAGEMENT

- **★**Comprehension
- ★ Foreign languages
- **★**Online learners
- **★**Universal Design for Learning
- **★**Vocal assistance for forms
- **★** Teaching and learning differently
 - ★ Bi-modal presentation
 - **★PTSD**



CONVENIENCE

- **★** Mobile
- **★**Usability
- ★Learning on-the-go
- ★ Personal preference
- Busy adult and part-time learners
 - who need to multitask
 - **★**mLearners



Learning Tool Interoperability(LTI)





ReadSpeaker TextAid

Course Nev User Nev Account Nev Study Helps K-6th Grade

7th-12th Grade Postsecondary Cenves Blackboard Desire 2 Learn

Moodle Sakal Other

4 Requires Consumer Key and Secret

A leader in cloud-based text-to-speech (TTS) technology, ReadSpeaker provides learners with the ability to listen to text content. The TTS service helps all learners expand their comprehension and allows for bimodal learning. The seamlessly integrated TTS feature requires no downloads and works on all supported devices and operating systems.

Features of the ReadSpeaker TextAid LTI:

100% Web Based - Access from any internet-connected device. Reading Language and Speed - Listen to text in 21 languages and adjust the reading speed. Text Selection and Lookup - Listen to only selected text and perform a web search on selected words or text. Text Highlighting - Have the text highlighted as it is being read. Writing Assistance - Have the text read back as the user types. Text Settings - Customize the text display and formatting for more comfortable reading, including special fonts that improve readability for those with dyslexia. Screen Masking - Focus on smaller parts of the text at once. Reading Ruler - Focus on one line at a time. Talking Calculator - Reads back numbers as well as calculations. Text Library - Save text to your personal library and retrieve it at any time. Translation - Translate text into any of the available languages. You can then listen to the translation or revert back to the original language. Document Reading - Upload your own documents in multiple formats, save them to your personal library, and access them from any device. Secure Access - All communication between your device and ReadSpeaker TextAid is fully encrypted. Annotations - draw or write text directly on any uploaded document. Fill in blanks, take a test or add notes and save, print or email the document.

Read more on http://www.readspeaker.com/textaid/



Why is a proactive feature like ReadSpeaker Good Design?

IMS Global Learning Impact Awards





In 2015, ReadSpeaker and the Virtual High School were LIL honorable mention winners.

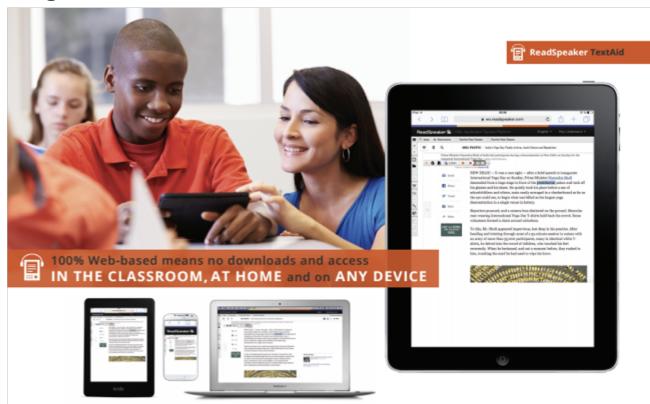
2018 Platinum Winners were ReadSpeaker Clients: Georgia Department of Education/GaVS and Bb Ally



TextAid: LTI and web-based



Reading & writing tools, individualized Features



ReadSpeaker in the LMSs



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ReadSpeaker webReader Features



Text to Speech

Reads the content of web pages in 50+ languages and 200+ voices (try the live voice demo)



Read on Hover

Hover over a paragraph of text and it will read aloud automatically



Translation

Translate selected text to a <u>number</u>
of languages and have the text read
in the target language



Accessibility

The Listen button, the player, and the toolbar are fully keyboard accessible



Enlarge Text

Text being read is displayed at the bottom of the page in large font size



Word Lookup

Select a word to see and hear its definition from an online dictionary



Simultaneous Highlighting

The words and sentences are highlighted in separate colors to read along as you listen



Simple View

Content is shown in plain text format for distraction-free reading



Settings

Personalize reading speed, highlighting preference, font, font size, and colors, and more



Mp3 Download

Download an audio version of your content for offline listening



Page Mask

Horizontal bar that moves with the lines being read and shades the rest of the screen



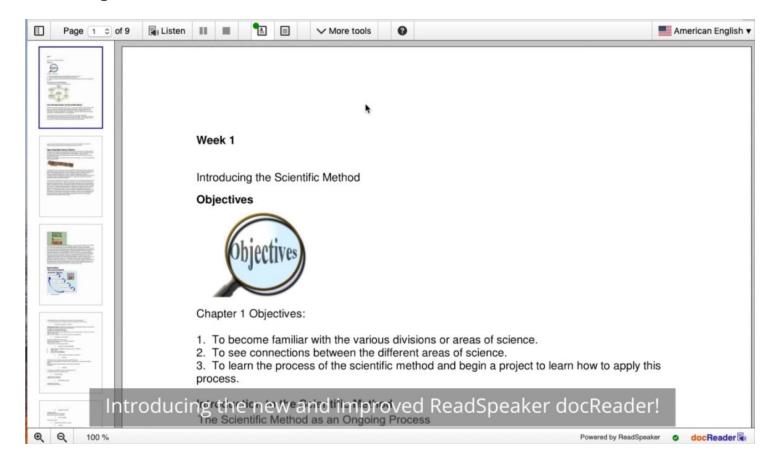
Help

Built into the player are easy-tounderstand instructions on how to use each feature

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Thanks

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