Make Your Content Talk

ReadSpeaker text-to-speech solutions give a voice to your learning management solutions.

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Session Objectives

After this session, you will be able to:

- Explain why students may want to use text-to-speech technology

- Describe to your students how to use the ReadSpeaker Listen button in Canvas and the browser (Chrome, Firefox, Opera, and Edge) extension for reading files.

- Construct an effective plan to inform your students about the many uses of this text-to-speech technology within their learning environment

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ReadSpeaker Advantages (Slide 1)

- Can be accessed from any internet-connected device and browser

- Seamless one-time implementation via a global JavaScript into the Canvas LMS for an easy, straightforward learner experience

- Reading of HTML content

- Read documents using TextAid

- Anytime you or an instructor change course content, these changes are automatically and instantly reflected in the audio

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ReadSpeaker Advantages (Slide 2)

- Listen offline, if made available by educational institution (download mp3)

- Enlarge Text, Text Mode, and the Page Mask all help distracted readers

- Customize your settings including Open Dyslexic font, background/text colors, etc.

- The ReadSpeaker support team is available to assist with any questions or concerns during and after implementation

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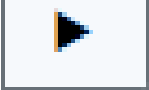*pioneering voice technology*

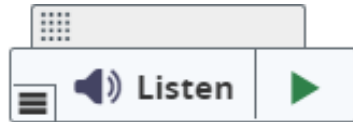# Specific Benefits of Bimodal Content Presentation

- Improved word recognition skills and vocabulary

- Improved reading comprehension, fluency, accuracy, and concentration

- Improved information recall and learning/memory enhancement

- Increased motivation and more positive attitude toward reading

- Increased reading self-confidence and perceived performance

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How to Use ReadSpeaker Text to Speech (1)

How does it work?

To listen to the content on a page:

- Click the activation tab to open the player:

- Position the player where you want it on the page. Then click the listen button to hear the material read to you:

- The player expands and you can use any of the tools:

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How to Use ReadSpeaker Text to Speech (2)

Top Toolbar

- Listen
- Pause/restart the reading
- Stop the reading
- Skip backward 5 seconds
- Skip forward 5 seconds
- Adjust the volume
- Reading Speed
- Close the player
- **Note:** When text is highlighted, Listen, Dictionary, and Translation will appear on a pop-up. Scrolling is on a Pop-up Control Panel.

Lower Toolbar

- Customize your settings
- Change voices (if available)
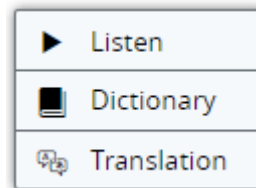- Read on Hover
- Enlarge Text
- Text Mode
- Page Mask
- Help

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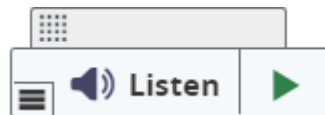# How to Use ReadSpeaker Text to Speech (3)

How does it work?

To listen to selected text:

- You can select a part of the text to listen to and then press the pop-up Listen button that appears next to the mouse pointer or click on Listen on the webReader player.

- Pop-up commands:

▶ Listen
■ Dictionary
🗫 Translation

- webReader Player:

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How to Use ReadSpeaker Text to Speech (4)

How does it work?

To listen to a document in Content using the ReadSpeaker TextAid Extensions:

- Install the TextAid extension in your browser (available for Chrome, Firefox, Edge, and Opera)
- Click on the browser extension
- Highlight some material in the file
- Click listen