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Text Readers are software programs that read electronic text.

Kurzweil 3000**
www.kurzweiledu.com

Premier**
www.readingmadeez.com

NaturalReader*
www.naturalreaders.com

ReadPlease*
www.readplease.com

Microsoft text-to-speech engine*
www.microsoft.com/windowsxp/using/accessibility/default.mspx
www.microsoft.com/enable/products/windowsvista/default.aspx

What is Assistive Technology?
Assistive Technology includes assistive, adaptive and rehabilitation devices for people with disabilities.

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PORTABLE WORD PROCESSORS

These devices are low cost alternatives to laptop computers and allow you to perform word processing tasks while in class, i.e. taking notes, in-class writing assignments and exams.

Premier Talking Word Processor**
www.readingmadeez.com

WriteOutlound
www.donjohnston.com

Talking Word Processors are writing software programs that provide speech feedback as the student writes, echoing each letter as it is typed and each word as the spacebar is pressed. These programs often include other assistive features such as word prediction and spell check.

Premier Talking Word Processor**
www.readingmadeez.com

Premier Talking Dictionary**
www.readingmadeez.com

Various talking calculators and dictionaries
www.abledata.com
www.maxiaids.com
www.independentlivingaids.com

A talking calculator has a built-in speech synthesizer that reads aloud each number, symbol, or operation key a user presses; it also vocalizes the answer to the problem. A talking dictionary will read the word and definition aloud. Both are available in hand-held models or as software programs.

Premier Talking Calculator**
Premier Talking Dictionary**
www.readingmadeez.com

LOW VISION USERS

MAGic
www.freedomscientific.com

ZoomText**
www.aisquared.com

Reading Pen and Quicklink Pen
www.wizcomtech.com

DocuPen
www.planon.com

SPEECH-TO-TEXT PROGRAMS

These devices are miniature scanners with optical character reading capabilities.

Dragon Naturally Speaking**
www.nuance.com/naturallyspeaking

Microsoft speech-to-text engine*
www.support.microsoft.com/kb/306901
www.microsoft.com/enable/products/windowsvista/default.aspx

* freeware
** available at C-GCC

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