FREE Text-To-Speech Programs
Step by step directions on how to install and use free text-to-speech programs.

Read&Write
A literacy support tool that can read text out loud with additional features.

Install DESKTOP Version:
o   Go to: https://www.texthelp.com/products/read-and-write-education/
o   Scroll down and select **Try Read&Write**
o   Select **"Start your trial today"** (This will NOT be a trial. This will be the full version!)
o   Choose **"I am… A Student"** and enter a reason in the **"Tell us why…"** box
o   Click **Start your Free Trial**
o   Select computer type (Windows or Mac)
o   **Read&Write.exe** will download. Open and click **Accept and Install**
o   After installing, a Read&Write icon should be available on the Desktop

How to use:
o   Open **Read&Write** on the Desktop
o   When prompted, sign in with **Microsoft** using your **Cayuga** email and password
o   A tool bar should appear at the top of the screen
o   On the computer, open the document:
>   If it's a **Word** doc, open it in Word
>   If it's a **PDF**, open the PDF
>   If it's a **webpage**, please use Read&Write's **Google Chrome Extension** *(see below)*
o   With the mouse, highlight the text and click **Play** ▶ in the toolbar
o   Go to settings in the toolbar to change the voice or the speed

Visit RW Quick Reference Guide for information about additional features.

Install Read&Write 🔵 Google Chrome Extension, Compatible with 🅱 Brightspace
o   Using **Google Chrome**, go to: Chrome Web Store-Read&Write for Google Chrome
o   Click on **Add to Chrome**
o   Select the **Add extension** option in the pop-up window
o   Select 🧩extensions in the top right corner and 📌 pin Read&Write to the browser

How to use:

- Using Google Chrome, navigate to Brightspace (or any webpage!)
- Click on the ▪rw icon in the top right corner
- When prompted, sign into Gmail account to complete activation
- The **Read&Write** toolbar will appear at the top of the browser
- Highlight any text on the webpage and click Play ▶
- To change the settings (voice, speed, etc.), click on **…** and select **Options**

To read PDFs from ▲ Google Drive using ▪rw Read&Write for ⬤ Google Chrome:

- Open a PDF in Google Drive and click "Open with"
- Select Read&Write for Google Chrome
- If prompted, continue to **OrbitNote** and sign into Gmail account
- The PDF will open with the **Read&Write** toolbar at the top.
- Highlight text in the PDF and click Play ▶

◈ Equatio

Equation writer to create digital Math. Use the Screenshot Reader to have equations read aloud.

Install DESKTOP Version, Compatible with ⬤ **Brightspace** & ⬤ **Pearson MyLab & Mastering**

- Go to: https://www.texthelp.com/products/equatio/
- Scroll down and select **Try Equatio**
- Select **"Start your trial today"** (This will NOT be a trial. This will be the full version!)
- Choose **"I am… A Student"** and enter a reason in the **"Tell us why…"** box
- Click **Start your Free Trial**
- Select computer type (Windows or Mac)
- **Equatio.exe** will download. Open and click "**Accept and Install"**
- After installing, an **Equatio** icon should be available on the Desktop

How to use Screenshot Reader:

- Open **Equatio** on the Desktop
- When prompted, sign in with **Microsoft** using your **Cayuga** email and password
- A tool bar should appear at the bottom of the screen
- On the computer, open the math document
  - ➤ If it's a **webpage**, navigate to the site

- If it's a **Word** doc, open it in Word
- If it's a **PDF**, open the PDF, etc.
  - Select Equatio's Screenshot Reader in the toolbar
  - Drag a box around the equation using the mouse
  - The equation will be converted into readable math. Click the play button

Visit Equatio Quick Reference Guide for information about additional features.