

Premier Assistive Technology Accessibility Suite

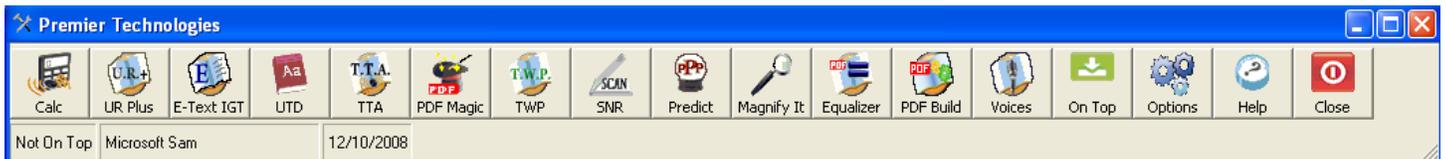
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The Accessibility Suite is designed for schools to make workstations accessible to all users. It supports individuals who find reading and writing a challenge. The Premier Assistive Technology Accessibility Suite is available to all students in Calhoun County through an ongoing grant established by Calhoun Intermediate School District.

Toolbar



Talking Calculator

This full-functioning "talking calculator" for basic math functions can be used with or without a screen reader. Every button and edit area talks. It is easy to use, with large keys and contrasting colors. It has multiple display areas so you can see the numbers begin entered, the current total, any numbers in memory and the history of your calculations for the current process.

Universal Reader

The Read Anything, Anytime Program

The Universal Reader is a very easy-to-use utility that reads to you. The best part is that it works with virtually any application. Use it to read your email, your WORD documents, even web pages. It is as simple as selecting what you want to read, clicking on the floating toolbar and it starts to read.

Floating Toolbar: The floating toolbar can be set so that it is "always on top" of other applications, it can be minimized onto the status bar or it can be running "behind" everything as you perform other tasks. The Universal Reader has a view window, which will display what is being read. If you only want to listen without the on-screen display, you can close this window and still have the toolbar active. To make viewing easier, you can change the text and background color, select a font and even enlarge the font up to 5 times its original size. It even highlights the word as it is being read.

How does it work? It is a true "reader". If you want to read ANY TEXT from ANY APPLICATION on your PC, all you have to do is highlight what you want to read and then click on the READ button. The Universal Reader will start reading to you. It is just that simple. Use it to proofread your documents, read your emails and even listen to a web page. It is truly a "universal reader".

With the “Talking Pointer”, all you have to do is place your cursor over virtually any text, icon or picture and the description or text will be read to you. It doesn’t get any easier than this!!! You even have selectable voices to choose from and you can even control the speed of the voices.

E-Text Reader

The E-Text Reader is designed to be a reading tool. You can use it for opening up and reading existing documents in your computer or you can cut and paste from any program on your computer. You can even insert pictures into the text. It is an “easy to use” reader that gives you the ability to change voices, read at any speed, and even allows you to make notes into the document you are reading.

The E-Text Reader is designed to help those who have trouble reading or comprehending the printed word. There are thousands of literature titles now available in electronic format. This reader will read (using digital voices) the electronic version of books (“E-Books, or E-Text”) to you. The E-Text Reader can read any document in Standard Text, MS Word, RTF (“Rich Text Format”) and HTML formats.

Highlight Text: Since the interface is actually a word processor, you can select and highlight text just like you would use a highlighter in a regular book. You can also insert any number of “bookmarks”. You can save these bookmarks with the documents so the next time you open it; you can quickly go back to a point of interest or to where you left off. In addition to highlighting and bookmarks, you can “underline” and “bold” text so that they can be easily identified.

Ultimate Talking Dictionary

The Ultimate Talking Dictionary (UTD), is not only a comprehensive dictionary, but has other robust, integrated features that make it unlike any other dictionary anywhere. Like all other Premier products, UTD reads everything to you. The dictionary contains over 250,000 words, terms, jargon, and even proper nouns like geographic entries (e.g. cities, countries) and historical persons. UTD has a complete thesaurus built-in that allow you to quickly find synonyms and their corresponding definitions. The “Power Search” feature lets you look up words when you only know a partial spelling. Premier’s unique ***Interlink*** technology incorporates complex cross-references between all words in the UTD so you can quickly find related terms and definitions, even when you only have a vague concept of a word.

Text-To-Audio

Text-To-Audio converts electronic documents to audio files. Use of high-quality digital voices provides the highest fidelity digital speech audio. Text-To-Audio can even be used to turn E-books to “audio books”. With Text-To-Audio, you are no longer tied to your PC once you create the audio files. The convenience of Text-To-Audio means that you can now fit reading into your schedule by turning electronic documents into portable compact audio files that you can listen to while doing other activities like traveling or exercising.

PDF Magic Pro

Turning inaccessible PDF files and converting them to accessible formats

PDF Magic is simple to use. Just select the files you want to convert, then select your output format and select the "Process" button. It is just that simple. PDF Magic takes about 4 to 5 seconds a page to process.

PDF Magic supports the batch processing of PDF Files to accessible formats. PDF Magic can convert a PDF file from an inaccessible PDF file to one of 11 different formats including Microsoft Word, Rich Text Format, HTML, ASCII text files and CSV. Users can select up to 2000 PDF Files in a single batch process. We also retain full page formatting (including color graphics, photos, boxes, columns, etc.) from the original document to the resulting document.

Talking Word Processor

Talking Word Processor is an easy-to-use, fully-functional word processor with text-to-speech capability. It's compatible with all standard word processor files including the latest versions of Microsoft Word, standard text, and Rich Text Formats (WordPerfect). Included with the Talking Word Processor are such features as word prediction, talking grammar check, Language Model Information Summarization (LMIS), a 250,000 word integrated dictionary, highlight and extract tools and much more.

Talking Grammar Check: The Talking Grammar Check provides comprehensive, individualized grammatical and stylistic checks for your documents. When a potential error is found, the grammatical rule is displayed and read to you along with suggestions for modifications.

Language Model Information Summarization (LMIS): The LMIS feature is Premier's unique information summarization technology that lets you quickly summarize the information in a document, whether it's a range of pages or an entire document.

Highlight and Extract: As a study aid, you can select and highlight text within your document to emphasize key points. Highlighted text can then be extracted into a separate document to be used as condensed study notes for quizzes or tests.

Integrated Dictionary: The 250,000 word integrated talking dictionary lets you look up and read the definition of a word in your document by simply double-clicking on it.

Talking Word Prediction: Prediction of words can significantly help those who struggle with writing and grammar whether it's due to general literacy challenges, physical or cognitive challenges or even English as a Second Language. Navigate through the prediction list and hear each word being read to you. Simply select from the list the word you want inserted into your document. The prediction list can be tailored to your specific needs by adding frequently used terms, proper names or specialized terminology (e.g., legal, medical terms). You can also modify the number of characters required to trigger the appearance of the prediction list, specify the size of the list displayed, and specify up to four different vocabulary grade levels.

Scan and Read Pro

Scan and Read Pro changes printed text into speech. The program helps you in reading and comprehension by highlighting each word as its read aloud. Scan and Read Pro's voice can also be turned off if you prefer to focus on the visual input only.

Useful Features: Scan & Read Pro offers some unique and useful features such as supporting up to 12 different languages, advanced settings making customization easy, and support for automatic document feeders available on high-end scanners. Most voice synthesizers will read parts of words producing a somewhat choppy reading due to the fact that when a word is broken or hyphenated across multiple lines, it does not produce continuous speech as it reads each word segment separately. Scan & Read Pro has a special technique for de-hyphenating words so that any speech syntheses will produce smooth vocalization.

Premier Predictor Pro

Comprehensive word prediction for all applications

Premier Predictor Pro “P3” is a talking word prediction program that works with applications on your computer that require typing, e.g., word processing, spreadsheets, presentation software, and email. As you begin to type a word, Predictor Pro will attempt to "predict" the complete word you want to type based on common English language usage patterns. A word list will appear next to your cursor as you are typing, displaying the most probable word at the top of the list. The prediction list can be read to you by using your arrow keys to go up and down the list. When you hear the word you want, just select it, and that word will automatically be entered into your document.

PDF Equalizer ML

Increasingly, many publications are now created in PDF file format. Virtually all major publishers can deliver their books, magazines, etc. in a PDF format when asked to provide content in an alternate format (vs. traditional hardcopy). Additionally, major companies and institutions worldwide publish a wealth of documentation, research, policies and general communications using a PDF format. Of course, the major problem with PDF files is that, for the most part, you can only look at them on a screen, just like looking at a hardcopy page. Sure, there are some basic built-in reading tools in Adobe Acrobat Reader™, but if you have ever tried to access a page of complex content (i.e. math, science) in a PDF file, you soon realize that without other tools, a PDF is really no better than a printed page.

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Premier PDF Builder is a tool that helps educators quickly create and manipulate electronic content for the classroom. PDF files are a great format for alternative materials, but making them and manipulating them has always been difficult – until now.

Premier PDF Builder makes creating and manipulating PDF files easy. PDF Builder will do everything from creating PDF files from your own documents to capturing scans from your scanner and putting them directly into a PDF file. You can also merge two PDF files, delete pages from a PDF file, and even export a PDF file into six different formats. PDF files are a great way of distributing documents, but previously it was difficult to make changes to PDF files unless you had Adobe® Acrobat®. Now Premier PDF Builder lets you easily make changes to PDF files.