

# FREE ACCESS SOFTWARE TOOLS

Enhance your educational experience by using the below **free** apps and software features



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## Microsoft Office 365 Learning Tools Office 365

### Tool

### Example Video

#### Dictation:

Use your voice to write your papers in Word, OneNote, Outlook and PowerPoint using the “**Dictate**” feature

- Dictate button is located on the home navigation ribbon



#### Dictate



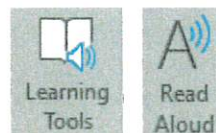
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#### Text-to-Speech:

Read your documents out-loud using:

Microsoft Word “**Read Aloud**” feature

- Found under: View > Learning Tools > Read Aloud



#### Read Aloud



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Microsoft OneNote “**Immersive Reader**” feature

- Found under: View > Immersive Reader



#### Immersive Reading



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## OtterVoice Notes App

### Tool

### Example Video

#### Recording & Transcription

Otter is a free recording app that will automatically type and organize what is being said.

- The free version of Otter provides 600 minutes of recording per month
- Tap anywhere on the transcript to replay the audio recording
- Attach pictures in your notes
- Search for words and phrases

#### Otter



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## A Few Text to Speech Options.



### **VitalSource Bookshelf, a free e-reader that you can download here:**

<https://support.vitalsource.com/hc/en-us/articles/201344733-Bookshelf-Download-Page>

Will read your eBooks out loud. Free app in the app store.

### **Thorium, another free e-reader that you can download here:**

<https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/p/thorium-reader/9nfzp1g7m2sc#activetab=pivot:overviewtab>

For Windows 10/10S, MacOS, and Linux.

**PDF Voice Reader**- Free iPhone app. Will read aloud pdf documents. Can import them from Dropbox, Google Drive, iCloud, or PC.

**NaturalReader**- Free version available. Can read PDFs, web pages, e-books, and printed material out loud. Available for both Mac and PCs. Speed and voice are adjustable. Use the floating bar to read Canvas

**Read & Write**, \$145/year. Free for students registered with the Office of Disability Services with this accommodation. Also available for tablet and Chrome browsers. This application has both text-to-speech and speech-to-text abilities. This is the program used in our Office of Disability Services testing room and is on the library computers.

**Voice Dream Reader**- \$14.99 in the app store. Text-to-speech assistive app for both Apple and Android. Reads PDF, EPUB, DAISY text, Microsoft Word and Power Point, Web, and Plain Text.

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