Assistive Technology for Learning Disabilities

7 easy tools for classroom and home

TOOL	NEEDS it addresses	PLATFORM	PRICE	Features
Bookshare www.bookshare.com	reading/reading comprehension, attention, fatigue while reading, visual impairment, ESL, physical impairment	Windows, MAC, and IOS	FREE	Free downloadable books (mp3 or text format) of all types (textbooks, novels, etc.) for students that meet eligibility. Text to Speech available through free browser reader or Read Out loud program. Individual and School memberships available. Read2Go must be purchased ($20) for use with iPad. Readoutloud free for PC/Mac
Google Chrome	Good for all. Staff and Students. For anyone who needs a screen reader for internet	Windows, IOS, mobile	FREE	www.google.com/intl/en/chrome/browser/ most accessible browser.
iSpeech	Decoding, attention, fatigue, visual impairment, ESL, physical impairment	Windows, IOS, mobile	FREE	iSpeech add-on extension to google Chrome browser with 43 voices and settings. Free screenreader for browser, mail, calendar and more.
Co-Writer	physical impairment, struggling writers/readers, poor vocabulary, spelling, grammar (studies for 7 y/o and up)	Windows, MAC, and IOS	Windows/Mac $290 Ipad $18	Word prediction progarm with the greatest amount of features: Uses whole sentence to predict word, works with all applications (Word, internet, email, etc.) built in dictionary, text to speech, can run off USB so no installation
TalkTyper	Poor typers, Writing disability, not good with speech impairments	web-based	FREE	TalkTyper is an easy-to-use web based software that allows speech-to-text dictation within your browser. All you have to do is click a button, speak, and your dictation will automatically be transcribed in a matter of seconds. Reads back written text.
AudioMemo	Anxiety presenting in front of others, poor writers, resistant writers, physical impairments	IOS Android	free .99 9.99	Audio Memos is a voice recorder for the iPhone, iPad and Android. What you'll really like about Audio Memos, is that you can actually HEAR your recordings. It's also easy to use, with a simple and intuitive interface. A .99 version and 9.99 pro (apple only) add versatility and control.
Notability	LD, ASD, Motor impairments, Administrators and staff	Apple	2.99	note-taking app that lets you record audio and write what a speaker is saying, and syncs both. Mark up PDFs, text documents with notes/audio