



APPS TO SUPPORT WRITING

- **Tapgram**
 - Send messages via images instead of keyboard
- **Co-Writer**
 - Predicts words and phrases you want to type based on topic.
- **Make write**
 - Allows you to rearrange words from a piece of text to make a new message

SOFTWARE TO SUPPORT WRITING

- **Word Prediction Software:**
 - There is a variety of word prediction software available. It is important to find software that provides the level of assistance that you need. Some programs consider past writing samples and topics, while others are only based on a larger generic database.
- **Dragon Software**
 - Nuance offers multiple Dragon Software options. Dragon software is highly accurate dictation software which allows you to use speech to text across tasks (e.g. Emails, reports, and forms)

WRITING SUPPORTS INCLUDED IN SMART PHONES

Speech to Text

- Speak into the phone and allow the phone to type for you.

Spell Check

- Autocorrect can help you pick the correct spelling of a word.

Word Prediction

- Word Prediction will show you 3-4 words that it thinks you might be trying to say or that might come next.

Abbreviation Expansion

- Add abbreviations to your phone so that when you type them, your phone will automatically put in the full phrase. (e.g. "brb"-->"I'll be right back")



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• Speech to Text


iPhones:

Settings --> General--> Keyboards--> **Enable Dictation: ON**



Tap to dictate

Other Devices:

If you have a newer device, the speech to text is likely included. Look for the microphone button on your keyboard. 

If you have an older device you will need to download "GBoard" from the Google Play store.

• Spell Check

iPhones (If not turned on):

Settings --> General--> Keyboards--> **Check Spelling: ON, Auto-Correction: ON**

Other Devices (If not turned on):

Settings --> System--> Languages and input--> Advanced--> **Spell checker: ON**



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- **Word Prediction**

iPhones (If not turned on):

Settings --> General--> Keyboards--> **Predictive: ON**

Other Devices (If not turned on):

Settings --> General Management--> Samsung Keyboard Settings-->

Predictive Text: ON

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- **Abbreviation Expansion**

iPhones:

Settings --> General--> Keyboards--> **Text Replacement**

Type a phrase and a shortcut that will expand to that phrase when typed and followed by a space or a punctuation.

Other Devices:

Currently, this feature is not available on android devices. There are apps you can look for and download that will allow you to use a similar features. However, there is not a specific app that is currently recommended.



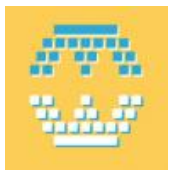
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Tapgram allows you to communicate by tapping on a picture-based system. The buttons are large and easy to select. Family and Friends can comment and respond to your messages, similarly to other social media sites. Tapgram is a free app that works on the computer and across devices.



Co:Writer uses word prediction that considers both grammar and inventive spelling to help you edit your writing. You can also use dictation with this app. Additionally, you can set a specific topic so that the app will predict topic-specific vocabulary. You can try the app for free or purchase it for about \$5/month.



MakeWrite allows you to take words from a selected text and make your own creative writing piece. First, you choose what words you want and erase the words you do not want. Then, you arrange the words into your own creative poem or writing piece. Finally, you can share your work with family and friends. This app is free.