

READING SUPPORTS

APPS TO SUPPORT READING

- Text to Speech on a Smart Phone
- Map Apps:

Use to communicate directions









- Google App:
 - Use the Google lens next to the search bar to have your phone read any printed text.



READING WITH SUPPORT

- Audio Books
 - Pricing Varies
- TalkPath News by Lingraphica
 - Free
- Newsela
 - Free
- C-Pen Reader
 - Prices vary, but average \$275

WAYS TO SUPPORT READING

Content

- Adjust difficulty
 - Simplify words/vocab
 - Use simple sentence structure
- Use pictures or drawings to aid comprehension
- Make key words bold or underlined

<u>Style</u>

- Use headlines and categories
- Reduce clutter and distractions
- Use large text with simple font
 - 14 size font
 - Arial or Verdana
- Use numerals rather than spelling numbers



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Text to Speech Apps

iPhones:

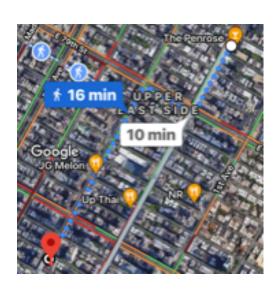
Settings --> Accessibility--> Spoken Content--> Speak Selection: ON

Other Devices:

Settings --> Accessibility--> <u>Text-to-Speech Output</u>

• Map App:

- Use the map app to communicate directions.
- Maps allow you to <u>SHOW</u> the person how to get somewhere rather than providing list of written directions.
- It is also helpful to understand your public transportation options and schedule.



Google App:

Use the Google lens next to the search bar to have your phone read any printed text.



- 1. Click on the Camera Button
- 2. Slide the bottom bar to "text"
- 3. Hold the camera up to the text you want to read.
- 4. Tap "listen" if you want to hear the whole page.
- 5. If you only want to hear one word or sentence, click on it first and then click "listen"



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- <u>Audio Books</u>: We typically recommend using an audio book while you follow along with the printed version.
 - Audiobook services usually cost a monthly fee but some offer free trials or select free audiobooks).
 - The following services are highly rated (We do not recommend one service over another):
 - <u>Apple Books</u>: Varying prices per book, but offer select free books.
 - Audible: \$15/month
 - Scribd: \$10/month
 - You can also typically get FREE audio books through your local library. Some larger libraries have their own e-book/audio book apps. Others libraries use the app, <u>Libby</u>.
- <u>TalkPath News</u> by Lingraphica
 - Free news articles written FOR persons with Aphasia.
 - Provides audio to read along
 - Provides multiple choice comprehension questions at the end of each article to test your understanding

• Newsela

- Provides audio to read along
- Allows you to change reading level difficulty within each article
- Speech Language Pathologist can create and assign home practice or comprehension question for each reading

• C-Pen Reader

- Similarly looking to a pen, you scan a C-Pen along your text and it will read the text aloud.
- It also supports a voice recorder and stores scanned text.