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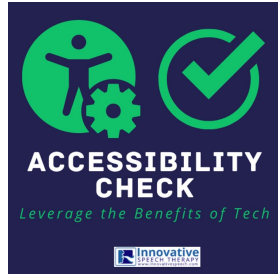
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- ▶ What to Expect
- ▶ Set Yourself Up for Success
- ▶ Troubleshooting Tips


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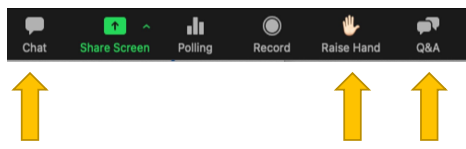
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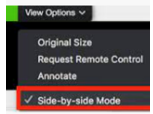


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Adjust your view

- ▶ Speaker view vs. Gallery view
- ▶ Click on View Options and Choose side-by-side if on PC/ Mac with single screen
- ▶ Hover your cursor on the divider and move to right or left when you see the double arrow



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I'm here to help you!

Joan Green

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Let's Chat

Please select a date and time so that we can talk about potential solutions to help you move forward.

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Special Guest


Phoebe Sullivan

Brand new SLP who helps in my practice behind the scenes

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Let's explore this new generation of (assistive) tech!

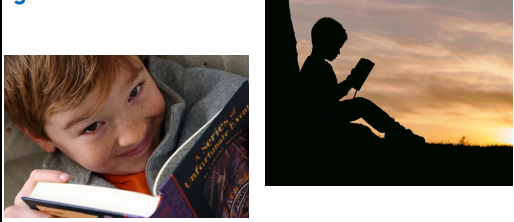
- ▶ Learn what's possible
- ▶ Match individual needs with features
- ▶ Give it a try and adapt as needed



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There's nothing like getting immersed in a great book!



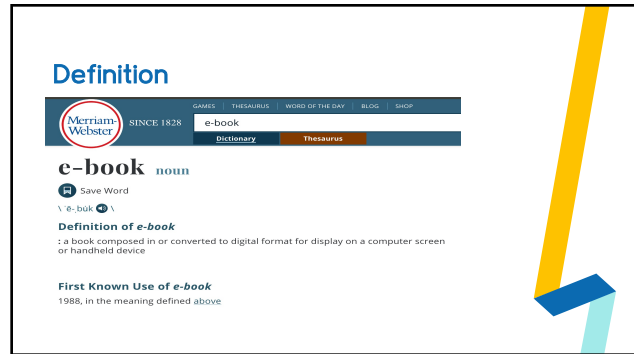
But not everyone is able to experience the pleasure of "traditional" reading.

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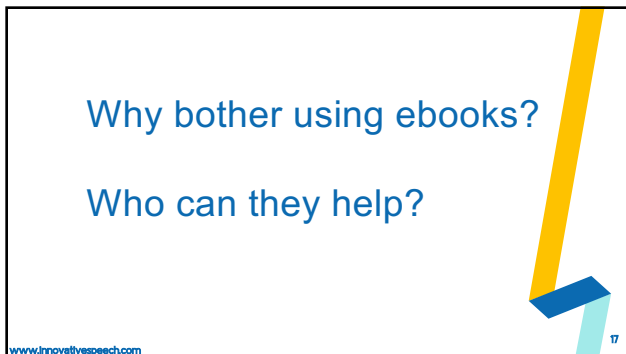
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Light and portable- backpacks and trips

Reading supports- Text-to-speech & narration

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Download quickly- almost instant gratification

Fine tune visuals- font type and size, brightness

Reduce clutter & Environmentally friendly

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Limitations of eBooks

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May be more difficult to recall specific details

You don't "feel" the book and progress or see the cover on shelves

More screen time

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Perceived as harder to annotate/ mark up

Need access to a device/ internet

May have monthly costs associated

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Devices

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Devices- eReaders vs multi-purpose tablets

Most dedicated eReaders are about 6", use e-ink, are black and white and cost \$100-\$150 USD

- ▶ **Kobo Clara HD**- Best for library books
- ▶ **Amazon Kindle Paperwhite**- best value
- ▶ **Onyx Boox Note Air**- Best for annotating documents
- ▶ **Barnes and Noble Nook**

<https://www.pcmag.com/picks/the-best-e-readers>

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Devices- eReader vs multi-purpose

Multi- purpose devices

- ▶ **iPad** by Apple
- ▶ **Kindle "Fire"** by Amazon
- ▶ **Samsung Galaxy Tab** and other **Android Tablets**
- ▶ **PC, Macs and Chromebooks**
- ▶ **Echo Show** by Amazon

<https://www.pcmag.com/picks/the-best-e-readers>

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Ebook Formats

Mobi (.mobi)
 ePub (.epub)- most widely supported, Fixed vs reflowable
 Amazon Kindle eReader (.azw)
 Text document (.txt)
 PDF (.pdf)
 HTML (.html)

- ▶ Post by Jordan Wahl, July 2018

<https://learn.q2.com/what-is-an-ebook>

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Audio Book Formats

Remember these? Records, cassette taps, CDs☺

.mp3 (MP3) This is the final format for most audiobooks

WMA- Windows
 M4A- Apple

<https://www.epubor.com/com-mon-audiobook-formats.html>

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Kindle by Amazon

- ▶ A variety of dedicated devices
- ▶ Apps for all operating systems
- ▶ Very popular
- ▶ Unique format
- ▶ Some people use this term generically for "eReader"

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Amazon Kindle Devices


Compare Kindle E-readers

	Kindle	Kindle Kids Edition	Kindle Paperwhite	Kindle Oasis
Price	From: \$64.99	From: \$79.99	From: \$94.99	From: \$249.99
Ratings	★★★★☆ (34,727)	★★★★☆ (5,360)	★★★★☆ (110,340)	★★★★☆ (115,701)
Screen Size	6" glare-free	6" glare-free	6" glare-free	7" glare-free
Storage	8 GB	8 GB	8 GB or 32 GB	8 GB or 32 GB
Resolution	167 ppi	167 ppi	300 ppi	300 ppi
Front light	4 LEDs	4 LEDs	5 LEDs	25 LEDs
Weeks of battery life	✓	✓	✓	✓
Audible (via Bluetooth)	✓	✓	✓	✓
Physical Controls	✓	✓	✓	✓

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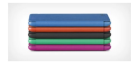
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- ▶ Great online digital browsing
- ▶ Tells you percentage finished based on reading speed
- ▶ First kindle ebooks- 2007
- ▶ Now about 9 Million!




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Kindle Accessibility Features

- ▶ Adjust font size, type, weight, screen brightness, margins, line spacing, and colors
- ▶ Large display option
- ▶ Kindle Reading Ruler
- ▶ **Immersive reading with Text to Speech is only available on (Kindle) Fire and in Kindle Apps not on the Kindle eReaders - big negative**

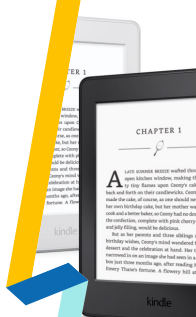


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Kindle Oasis

- ▶ Dark mode
- ▶ Waterproof
- ▶ Great battery life
- ▶ Buttons to use to turn page rather than swipe
- ▶ Can listen to books using Audible




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Kobo Clara HD

<https://us.kobobooks.com/products/kobo-clara-hd>
<https://help.kobo.com/hc/en-us/articles/360019127093>

- ▶ Can't read Amazon's Kindle books
- ▶ Can read library books and other formats (EPUB, PDF, RTF, text files and more)



kobo clara HD

6.8" HD E Ink touchscreen

Configurable PDS. Reduces blue light


8GB of storage

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Nook Tablets and eReaders

- ▶ <https://www.barnesandnoble.com/b/nook/-/N-1tbl>
- ▶ There is a Nook Reading app and a Nook Audiobooks App




7" e-reader
NOOK GlowLight® 3

Read comfortably at any time of day.

\$119.99
ships free

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iPad by Apple

- ▶ Turn an old iPad into a dedicated eReader
- ▶ iBooks app- very customizable
- ▶ Kindle, Nook and Libby apps
- ▶ May be hard to read outside= glare
- ▶ Battery runs out faster than devices using e-ink displays
- ▶ Full color LED screen
- ▶ Read PDFs- sync with all Apple devices
- ▶ <https://www.apple.com/ipad/>

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(Kindle) Fire vs. Android Tablet

- ▶ Major differences
- ▶ **Fire** tablet runs an Amazon customized version of the Android operating system. More limited.
- ▶ **Samsung Galaxy Tab** is a much higher end product –also more expensive. Can download a wider range of apps.

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Apps & Websites

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Kindle App

- ▶ Download the app from any device's app store (iOS, Android, Windows or Mac)
- ▶ If operating system isn't supported, use the Kindle Cloud Reader.

<https://read.amazon.com/>

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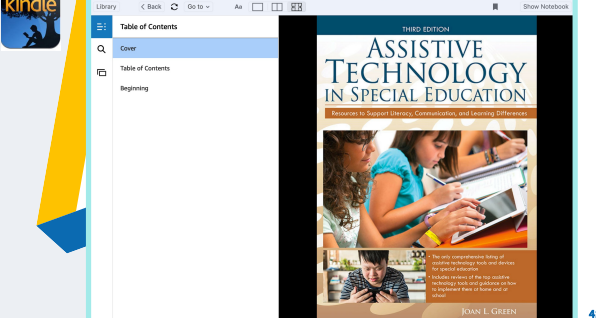


Kindle App

- To highlight, select text in the book and choose a color.
- Add notes by clicking "add note" in the highlight menu or in notebook
- Create flashcards to actively learn new material
- Tap on words for definitions and use vocab builder to help learn new words.

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Reading and Listening with the Kindle app

Go to view options, tap the text-view icon in top right and then **"Send to Kindle"** to save web articles for offline reading.

There is a **voice view screen Reader option** for people with vision problems. Reads everything aloud.

Read & Listen- Switch between reading the Kindle book & listening to audible narration with Whispersync for Voice. Get the Audible audiobook at a reduced price after you buy the Kindle book.

Immersion Reading- Can only read and listen to books at the same time using the Kindle app. Books that have a matching audiobook will feature a headphones icon.

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Audible

- ▶ Audiobook service by Amazon
- ▶ Need an Amazon account
- ▶ Compatible devices: iOS, Android, Windows 10/Fire tablets, Windows and Mac computers
- ▶ Audiobooks, Amazon originals, podcasts

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Audible Membership Plans

Two plans. Listen your way.

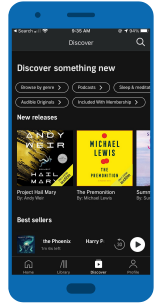
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Audible App

- ▶ Easy to navigate
- ▶ Discover new titles
- ▶ Works well with screen readers




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Libby by Overdrive

- ▶ App available on iOS, Android, and web browsers
- ▶ Download and read/listen to digital books, magazines, and audiobooks for free from your local library
- ▶ Need a library card
- ▶ Easy to use

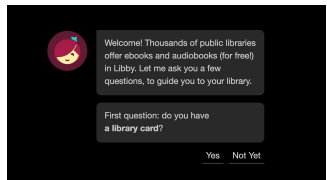


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Libby Compatibility

- ▶ Send books from Libby to Kindle app or device
- ▶ Stream audiobooks to Google Home or Amazon Echo





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Libby Accessibility Features

- ▶ High contrast option
- ▶ OpenDyslexic font available
- ▶ Change font size
- ▶ Native screen reader compatibility
- ▶ Books available in multiple formats
- ▶ Alternative text available



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Ebooks for People with reading barriers





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Qualifications

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<https://www.bookshare.org/cms/get-started/sign>

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 <p>Schools Over 100,000 schools and libraries use Bookshare to provide access to digital books for students with reading barriers.</p>	 <p>Students Bookshare is a resource for college and career students who are unable to read or have other reading barriers.</p>	 <p>Adults Bookshare books to purchase, rent, or borrow. Bookshare is available in multiple languages.</p>	 <p>Global Bookshare is available in over 100 countries across the globe. Bookshare is a global resource for people with reading barriers.</p>
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Reading Tool Wizard

<https://www.bookshare.org/cms/reading-tool-wizard/computer-or-laptop>

Bookshare Web Reader- Chrome- Listen with text to speech and see book text, displays images, customize font, colors, background, dyslexic font option. Can use Beeline Reader

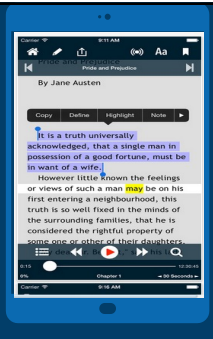
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Voice Dream Reader app

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Voice Dream Reader

iOS and Android app.



reader
Read with your ears.

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Voice Dream Reader

<https://www.voicedream.com/reader/>


See words synchronized with speech

Auto-scrolling and full screen distraction free views

Fine tune the audio as well as the visual experience




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<https://learningally.org/>

Audiobooks for Dyslexia and Learning Disabilities- human narration

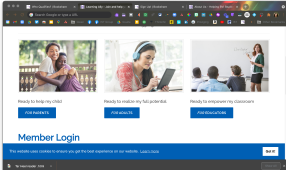



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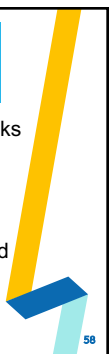
<https://learningally.org/About-Us/What-We-Do/Who-Qualifies> 800-221-4792

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Features

- Unlimited access to 80,000+ human read audiobooks
- \$135 for a year – contact Learning Ally for a fee waiver if presents financial hardship- there is an assistance program application as well as member application
- Compatible with PCs, Macs, Chromebooks, Android and iOS devices
- Many teacher resources and progress monitoring



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<https://www.getepic.com/>



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Epic Books


- ▶ www.getepic.com
- ▶ "The Leading Digital Library for Kids"
- ▶ 40,000 books, audiobooks, videos for kids up to 12
- ▶ Available on iOS, Android, and web browsers



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Epic Books Features

- ▶ Read to Me
- ▶ Books organized by level, age, type
- ▶ Comprehension quizzes
- ▶ Built-in dictionary
- ▶ Great for virtual/online learning
- ▶ Can be an affordable option for parents without access to physical books




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Epic Accessibility

- ▶ Less accessible than other resources
- ▶ Read to Me feature, but not compatible with screen readers
- ▶ Not compatible with large font, but can zoom in to magnify




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Epic Books Pricing

- ▶ Free for educators (including SLPs)
- ▶ Can assign books for students to read for free at home during school hours (7am-4pm)
- ▶ Not free for individual families

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NLS- Library of congress

- ▶ National Library Service for the blind and physically handicapped
- ▶ www.loc.gov/ThaAllMayRead
- ▶ Requires documented visual, physical or reading disabilities.




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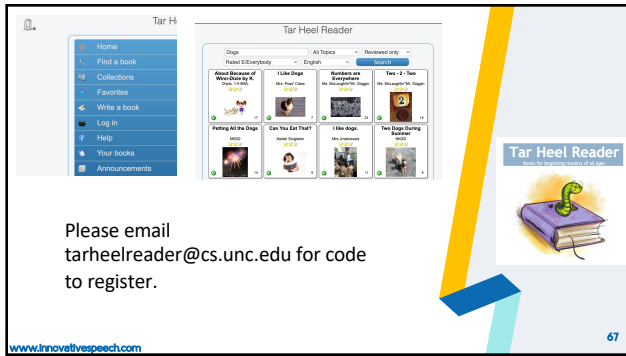
Tar Heel Reader

- ▶ Books for beginning readers of all ages
- ▶ www.loc.gov/ThaAllMayRead
- ▶ Free and accessible.
- ▶ Many topics, can create and edit.
- ▶ <https://tarheelreader.org/>
- ▶ The code for self registration has changed. Please email them at tarheelreader@cs.unc.edu to get it.



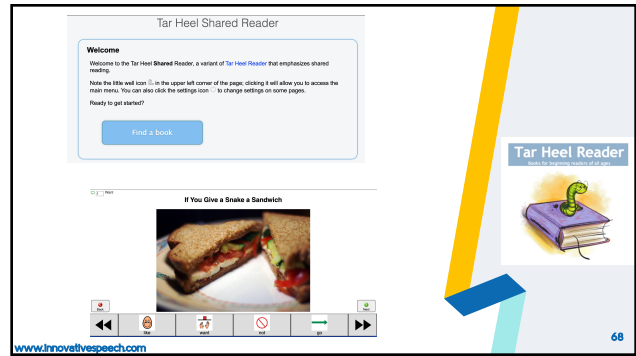
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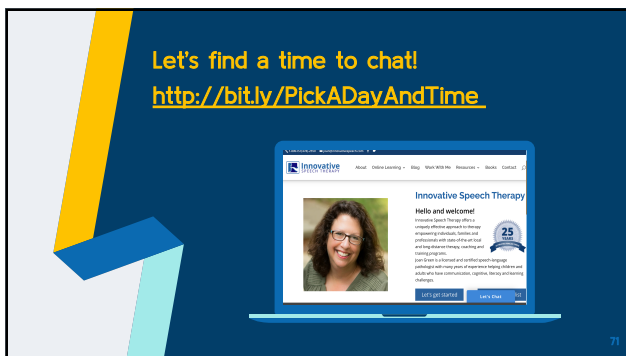
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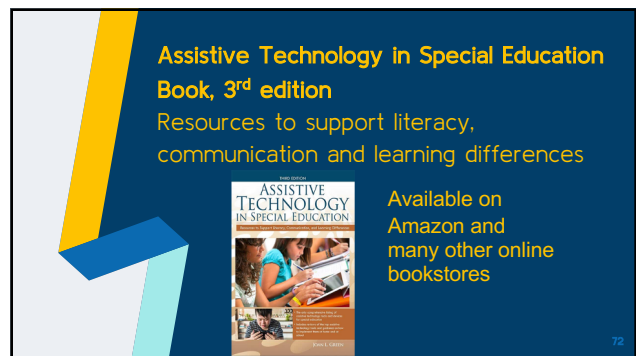
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