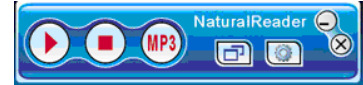


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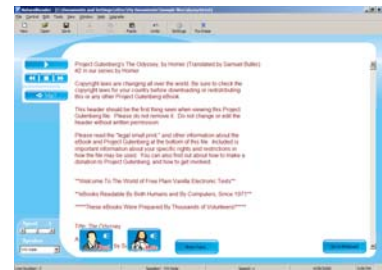


Natural Reader software is a text to speech program that converts any text into spoken words. It lets you listen to text instead of only visually reading on screen! Just one click, you can have your computer speak any text aloud in a clear, natural sounding human voice.

- It can act as a talking word processor and read available text with dual color highlighting. This text can be copied and pasted into it, a txt file opened with it, or text that has been typed into it.
- It can also layer on top of other applications and read only the text you select.

There are two ways to launch the software:

- Use Start Menu -Programs -NaturalReader
- Use the desktop icon "NaturalReader"



To use NaturalReader's MiniBoard to read text in any application containing text

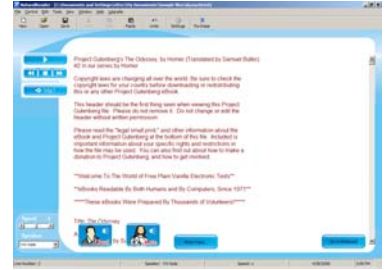


- Set Natural Reader to the Miniboard setting by single clicking on the Go to Miniboard icon in the lower right corner of the main Window.
- Launch the application that contains your text.
- The Miniboard mode only reads selected text so you must select/highlight the text to be read aloud. Do this by clicking and dragging the mouse arrow across it to select/highlight it.
- Click the Play (triangle) button to start reading highlighted text.
- Click the Play (//) button again to pause the reading or hit the stop (square) button to end it.

Note: It may not read the text the first time you select the play button. Just repeat steps 2 and 3, it will read from that point forward.

Note: Activate the NaturalReader Miniboard when the software is running and minimized to the Windows System Tray, by right clicking on the NaturalReader Icon and select Show Miniboard.

Note: See the next section for how to adjust the reading voice and reading pace.



To Use Natural Reader as a Talking Word Processor

Note: Think about and use this as a word processor.

Resizing the NaturalReader Main Window

- If you would like to resize the main reader window, please first click on the Restore Button, which is between Minimize and Maximize button on the up right corner.
- Put your mouse onto one border of the window, the mouse shape will change from one big arrow to crosshairs or two small arrows. Click on and drag the left mouse button to resize the window to feed your needs.

Using Natural Reader to create a word processing document

Use New, Open and Save functions in the normal fashion.

- Select New to open a clean document.
- Add your text through typing.
- See directions in next section for listening to your document.
- Save the document use Save /Save As.

Loading previously created documents- txt or rtf.

Note: Natural Reader will open txt and rtf files.

- Go to File Menu -Choose Open option
- Navigate to the file you wish to open
- Click on "Open" button to load the file into the software

Copying and pasting text from another application into Natural Reader

Using the Windows Clipboard

- First, navigate to the text to be moved.
- Highlight / Select the text to be read by clicking and dragging the mouse arrow across it to select/highlight it.
- Press Ctrl and C on the keyboard at the same time to copy the text to the clipboard. (Menu (Edit- Copy)
- Go to the Natural Reader window, put mouse cursor where you want the text to be inserted.
- Now Press Ctrl and V on the keyboard at the same time to paste the text. (Menu: Edit -Paste)

Note: You can also Drag and Drop text into Free Natural Reader

Listening to text in the software main window

- To listen to the entire document:
 - a. Position your mouse at the very beginning of the text.
 - b. Press Play button to start reading. The software will read all text in the text area.
- To listen to a particular paragraph or other increment/area of text
 - a. Use your mouse to highlight an area of text that you wish to listen to.
 - b. Press Play (triangle) button to start reading highlighted text.
 - c. Press the Play (//) button again to pause the reading or hit the stop (square) button to end it.

Text to speech settings

Control - Settings - Text to Speech tab -

Use the dropdown and slide bar to adjust the speaking voice and the speed of the speech

Font Settings

Control -Settings - Fonts tab -

Click on "Change Font" button to bring up a Font dialog. Font name, style and size can be changed.