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NATURAL READER TEXT READER PROGRAM

To utilize Natural Reader for text to speech, and speech to text, follow these steps:

TEXT TO SPEECH

1. Go to <https://www.naturalreaders.com/> and download the free version of Natural Reader for your computer (Windows or Mac).
2. Open the Natural Reader program, then click the **OPEN** icon near the top left.
3. On the left will appear your computer's libraries and options.
4. Find your book and or chapter that you wish to read and click enter. It should fill in the page.
5. On the top tool bar, there are settings for different voices and speeds. Try out what you like until the settings are pleasing to you.
6. Click the Arrow button at the top to read. It works to click at the start of the section that you want, or to highlight just the text that you want.
7. When finished, you can click the **SAVE** icon on the right, and then download another book or chapter. The program will keep a list of the documents you have been reading. Or, you can delete and start over the next time you want to use the program.

TEXT TO SPEECH

This program will also let you type your own draft into the textbox of the program when you click on the **NEW** icon. You can then have the text you have written read back to you in case you like proofreading that way. When finished, you can save what you have written in your computer as an RTF (Rich Text File) or Text File. From that, I think you can then copy and paste into another format or Word Document and/or save it in the format that you wish.