

Special Education Technology - British Columbia

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Kurzweil 3000 (Win) v.12

Using the Text Reading Tools

Suggested Activities

Once you have completed the tutorial, try these activities to practice using the Text Reading tools...

- 1. Open a new text file and paste in text that you have copied from the internet. You might want to choose something your student(s) can use in one of their classes.
- 2. Use the Text Reading tools to read your text aloud. Adjust the reading mode and unit for different editing situations. Decide when your student would use the various combinations. Save your text file.
- 3. Open a sample scanned document from the Sample Documents folder. Use the Text Reading tools to read it aloud. Try moving your cursor around in the document to begin reading in different areas and try highlighting text to read specific text.
- 4. Open a Microsoft Word document or a web page of interest. Use the Kurzweil 3000 Taskbar to read text on that document or page. Open another document or page and read that text in the Taskbar. Practice navigating through the different pages and looking up words in the text.
- 5. Adjust the various text reading options to accommodate different types of student one who needs more auditory support, one who is visually impaired, one who just needs minimal text reading help. Experiment with different voices, reading speeds and so on.