Spritzlet

**Introduction**

Spritzlet is an alternative method for reading webpages. It is used with an internet browser to make webpages interactive. It is available in more than 20 languages. It works on computers and smartphones. However, it only works on HTML content; it is not compatible with PDFs on the web.

The Spritz eReader uses Rapid Serial Visual Presentation (RSVP) to allow readers to improve focus and fluency. It supports students who may struggle with traditional reading methods, or want to increase their reading speed. Teachers can personalize their learners’ reading experiences and monitor improvement.

**Task Challenge/Activity**

Install and Use Spritzlet

- Go to [http://www.spritzlet.com/](http://www.spritzlet.com/) in a browser of your choice
- Drag the blue Spritzlet button to your toolbar to install it (drag it above your bookmarks bar)
- To find your bookmarks bar, do the following keyboard shortcut:
  - In Chrome, Safari, or Internet Explorer: Control (Command on a Mac) + Shift + B
  - Firefox: Control (Command on a Mac) + B
- Next, go to any site you would like to visit and click your Spritzlet bookmark to spritz the page (a box will appear on your page that highlights each word)
- To only spritz selected text, rather than an entire page, highlight text and click the play button in the Spritz box
- You can adjust the words per minute (WPM) with the slide bar in the box (go left to decrease reading speed, and right to increase reading speed; keyboard arrows may also be used to do this)
- You can create a free Spritz account if you would like to access a reading speed either below 200 WPM or above 450 WPM or to have your settings saved between sites; registration is not essential for use

**Integration Ideas**

- student research
- blogging
- novel studies
- book reports
- current events
- reading assignments in any curricular area
- language acquisition
- improving reading speed
How can I learn how to use it?

Here is a web-based resource that might help you learn how to use Spritzlet:

  - The Spritzlet site demonstrates how to install and use it, along with information about how the software works and why it is effective

Where can I get ideas on how to use it with students?

Here are some web-based resources that might help you learn how students can use Spritzlet:

  - The Spritzlet site includes how teachers and students may best use it
  - The Learning Lift Off site explains how using Spritzlet may assist in improving reading speed

What if I want to know even more?

Here are some web-based resources that might help you learn even more about Spritzlet:

- [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h_08fdTqwg](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h_08fdTqwg)
  - This video by Limitless Mindset further explains how Spritzlet works and provides examples for integration
  - This article in The Daily Dot briefly outlines the importance and effectiveness of Spritzlet