Texthelp Read&Write

Read&Write for Windows

Quick Reference Guide 11.18

**Check It**

How it works: A proofreading tool that checks for spelling, grammar, homophone and confusable word errors. In Word, click the icon to see your errors underlined in purple in your document. Or click the floating panel to open the Check It window. Outside of Word, select some text and click the Check It icon to do a check of your work in the Check It window.

Video link: <https://youtu.be/uFXllbbjnWc>

**Prediction**

How it works: Provides word suggestions as you type. Develops writing skills and helps construct error-free sentences more easily. Hover over a word to hear it read aloud. Click on a word to insert or use corresponding function key.

Video link: <https://youtu.be/UBUs-ryS89M>

**Dictionary**

How it works: Provides definitions to improve comprehension and writing. View basic, advanced or web definitions, as well as images. Select a definition and click Play to hear it read aloud.

Video link: <https://youtu.be/EvsK88-pg0M>

**Picture Dictionary**

How it work: Displays images from Widgit® Symbols to help support fluency and understanding.

Video link: <https://youtu.be/4NQFkzycIZ4>

**Text to Speech**

How it works: Reads text aloud in Word docs, on the web and more, with dual color highlighting and natural-sounding voices. Highlight or place your cursor in front of some text, and click the Play button.

Video link: <https://youtu.be/hPcATViVzkA>

**Screenshot Reader**

How it works: Converts inaccessible text to accessible text through OCR. Click the icon and then drag your mouse to draw a rectangle around any inaccessible text, to OCR it on demand.

Video link: <https://youtu.be/vMmZ90zzULw>

**Scanning**

How it works: Scan a paper document and convert it to accessible PDF or Word format, or OCR an existing PDF to make it accessible.

Video link: <https://youtu.be/bc7n-tCPMT4>

**Audio Maker**

How it works: Converts your selected text into an MP3 for listening. Allows you to preview your text and audio, give the MP3 a name and choose where to save.

Video link: <https://youtu.be/ukmhffmvnEs>

**Screen Masking**

How it works: Choose from several masking and tinting options to help improve focus. Customize color, opacity and other options from the settings menu. Use the floating panel for easy access settings or to turn feature off.

Video link: <https://youtu.be/bCMPX_tHSk8>

**Talk&Type**

How it works: Turns the spoken word into text by dictating into a microphone.

Video link: <https://youtu.be/8-gPBhherL8>

**Translator**

How it works: Translates single words and larger selections of text into multiple languages.

Video link: <https://youtu.be/LrN77PdfFqY>

**PDF Reader**

How it works: Click this button and choose a PDF to open. Use Click to Speak W to read the document, or use dictionaries, highlighters and other features to interact with the text.

Video link: <https://youtu.be/Jt2_kXTc7F4>

**Highlights & Erase Highlights**

Allows users to highlight and color code sections of text on a page, to facilitate summarizing, categorizing and higher order skills.

**Collect Highlights**

How it works: Collects your highlights into a new Word doc. Adjust collection and bibliography settings in the Read&Write settings menu, under the Highlights section.

Video link: <https://youtu.be/Kjvn6GkO49Y>

**Vocabulary List**

How it works: Builds vocabulary lists in a Word doc, including selected words, dictionary definitions, images from Widgit® Symbols, and an editable notes column.

Use colored highlighters to select words, then click icon to generate vocabulary list in a new Word doc.

Video link: <https://youtu.be/jcthPVhrDuk>

**Voice Note**

How it works: Records a short audio file of your voice, which can be inserted into Word as a comment, added directly inside your document, or saved.

Video link: <https://youtu.be/77zWqijJMHo>

**Settings**

How it works: Customize options for all the Read&Write features, or use the Quick Access panel for frequently used settings, About menu, video tours, and Support site.

**Help**

How it works: Click this button to access Texthelp's Support site, for help with common questions or issues.