

ReadSpeaker for Brightspace: Getting Started, 25 March 2025

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You are ready to launch once you have implemented ReadSpeaker within your Learning Management System (LMS) testing environment!

Ways to Introduce ReadSpeaker

Your students and faculty need to know what ReadSpeaker is, what it can do for them, and why they should use it! The more faculty promote the product and demonstrate how to use it, the more students will use it to be successful.

- 1. ReadSpeaker for Brightspace: Getting Started
- 2. ReadSpeaker for Brightspace: Faculty Email
- 3. ReadSpeaker for Brightspace: Accessing webReader and docReader
- 4. ReadSpeaker for Brightspace: Accessing webReader, docReader, and TextAid
- 5. ReadSpeaker for LMSs Support Page
- 6. ReadSpeaker for Brightspace: Training PowerPoint
- 7. <u>ReadSpeaker Button Highlights Handout docReader</u>, webReader, and TextAid
- 8. ReadSpeaker Button Highlights Handout docReader and webReader
- 9. ReadSpeaker for Brightspace: Why Should I Use It?

- 10. ReadSpeaker posters
- 11. Link to SoftChalk lessons
- 12. VPAT and Product Specifications
- 13. <u>Customer Portal Guides</u>

Repeat Messaging

Many successful implementations involve repeating messages to their users. We suggest a repeat announcement item to draw attention to the ReadSpeaker – Suite of Learning Tools each term and at key points during the term. We understand that your semester can be filled with many activities and that dates can sometimes get lost. To assist with repeat messaging, we suggest that you add a reminder to your calendar to reset the dates on your post.

Let's get started! In the table on the next page, you will find various activities for introducing the ReadSpeaker – Suite of Learning Tools to your faculty and students. You will notice that your audience is listed for each activity. Check off each item as you do it.

If you need additional support information, please get in touch with the Educational Development Manager.

ReadSpeaker webReader is located in HTML Content, Discussion Topics & Threads, Assignments, and each Quiz question.

ReadSpeaker docReader reads your documents. (See the product specifications for the types of documents.) The ReadSpeaker TextAid Extension will read the remainder of Brightspace.

Activity	Audience
Email	Faculty, Students, Administration
Posters and Social Media	Faculty, Students, Administration
Workshop	Faculty, Students
Onboarding/Professional Development	Faculty
LMS Announcement and Video	Multi-audience message to all LMS- users
Website	Faculty – Teaching/Resource Site Student – Resource Site
Playing a clip at the start of class	Faculty