

Tier 1 Accessibility Tech Tools for Learners

Edge Browser

Immersive Reader (adjustable voice and speed) It will read the entire page or click the word where you want it to start.

Note taking tools (highlight, notetaking)

*will work on any webpage, pdf, and Canvas pages!!!

To Access: Upper Right-Hand side of screen, click on the three dots, select “Read Aloud” from the dropdown menu

Click on the “book” in the url line to access “reading view”. This simplifies the webpage to clear away distractions and allows for altering font size and screen page color.

Word

View Tab → Learning Tools (Allows learner to adjust column width, page color, text spacing, syllables, read aloud)

Review Tab → Read Aloud; Spelling & Grammar; Translate; Simple Markup tools; check accessibility;

References Tab → Smart look up (dictionary); Citations (MLA, APA, Chicago, & more);

Home Tab → Dictate (At school – this is in the Office 365 version only. This will take brief practice but might be a game changer for injured & struggling students!)

PowerPoint

Home Tab → Dictate feature available from home (This will take brief practice but might be a game changer for injured & struggling students!)

You can add audio voice over to your presentations if students will be accessing these independently.

When opened in the Edge Browser, “Read Aloud” option will read text on slides.

One Note

Contains dictation, immersive reader tools, drawing tools, highlighting & annotation tools

Sway

Contains accessibility checker and accessibility view which allows the Edge “Read Aloud” to function.

Canvas

When opened in Edge, “Read Aloud” option will read text. It is possible for audio files to be uploaded so verbal answers are possible! See the “help” guides or Heidi for more information on this option.

Gale Research Products (Virtual Reference Library; Global Issues; Science; Opposing Viewpoints; Interactive Science) All have a new look this year!

Built in immersive reader allows for a variety of adaptabilities.

Note taking and highlighting options built in

Translation capabilities

Ability to sign in with SHS Student or Staff info and save to Office 365 OneDrive

Citation tools (APA, Chicago, MLA)

Topic Finder tool

EBSCO Research Products (EBSCO Research Database; Explora Secondary Schools; Literary Reference Center Plus; Poetry & Short Story Reference Center; NovelList; History Reference Center; Points of View; Science Reference Center; AP Research Database; Educator's Edition of Explora)

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Translation capabilities

Citation tools (many options)

*some articles only open in PDF format and do not have immersive reader capabilities

ProQuest Research Products (ProQuest; SIRS Discoverer; eLibrary; Culture Grams; History Study Center; ProQuest Learning: Literature) *Sign in with Microsoft option does not work yet

ProQuest – does not have an internal reader but the Edge reader works well; extensive citation options

SIRS Discoverer- basic immersive reader; translation capabilities; citation basics

eLibrary- basic immersive reader; translation capabilities; citation basics

Culture Grams- basic immersive reader; translation capabilities

History Study Center- does not have an internal reader but the Edge reader works well; MLA citation option only

ProQuest Learning: Literature: does not have an internal reader but the Edge reader works well; extensive citation options

OverDrive (Sora) and RB Digital Library subscriptions

Audio books can be saved to a personal device or computer using these apps or websites. The speed of the reader can be adjusted and many ebooks offer font and spacing options.

To log in: OverDrive is accessed using SSD email and password; RB- create an account from the SHS library link (<https://snohomishhs.swa.rbdigital.com/>) then log in using that information. I suggest students use their school info so that both apps are the same

SHS Library Audiobooks

SHS library collection does have some titles on "PlayAway" devices for student check out.