

Converting text to audio

Being able to listen to a paper or an article can potentially help you understand the information better, especially if you find it hard to focus when reading or experience eye strain. AI tools which can generate speech from text can provide a way for you to listen to everything from notes, books, papers and more.

Example:

You are revising ahead of your exams and have all of this year's course notes stored in Word documents. You can sit and read your notes but find it hard to focus on them.

You decide to try using a built-in text to speech feature to listen to your notes. You even have some options for the kind of voice you want to listen to – you might want to try a couple before you find one you like.

This allows you to listen to your notes on the go when you're travelling or while you're doing a physical task like washing the dishes.

Suggested tools:

Text to speech tools e.g., Microsoft Immersive Reader, Speechify,

Tips:

Most services will have a few options for the voice used to read out your text – if you don't like the default one try a few others.

You can use text to speech tools as a way to review your own writing too. Try listening to the next assignment you write, it can help you check that it reads correctly and might give you a new way to review rather than reading it over.

When inputting any information remember to be sure not to include personal information.