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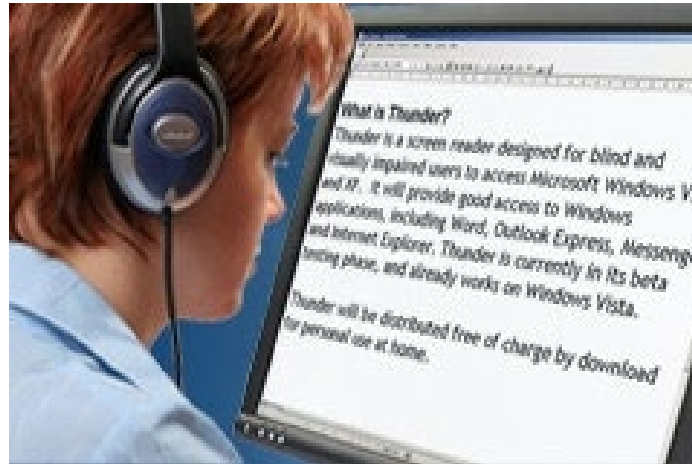
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NVDA & JAWS Screen Reader Student Guide

NVDA & JAWS is screenreading software that translates on-screen information into speech, which can be heard through earphones or speakers. These programs can be started automatically or by opening the application when needed. To automatically start the application on your device you have to install the application and click “agree” to the agreement application to allow the screen reader program to always be active.



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NVDA & JAWS can only be accessed and download onto a desktop or laptop. The screen reader software is free for everyone. The links provided below are the direct links to both website to download the latest version of each screen reader software.

JAWS 2020: <https://support.freedomscientific.com/Downloads/JAWS>

NVDA: <https://www.nvaccess.org/download/>

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Students use the standard key commands to navigate there screen while reading or typing. The common keys listed and linked provided below will guide you on on how to pause, read by line, word, character or spell information etc.

Topic	Task	Command
Reading:	Stop reading	Control
	Start reading continuously from this point on	Insert + ↓
	Read next item	↓
	Read next <i>focusable</i> item (e.g. link, button)	Tab

Keyboard Shortcuts: <https://dequeuniversity.com/screenreaders/jaws-keyboard-shortcuts>

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As you type on your screen NVDA & Jaws will announce the letter and keys as you type. When moving your cursor on top or next to different apps on your device it will also announce the app and the description of the app.



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If you have a question or need to schedule an appointment please call or email

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