

Natural Reader Directions

Natural Reader is a program that will read digitized text to you. To download the program you need to go to the Natural Soft website, located at <http://www.naturalreaders.com/index.htm>. This page will provide lots of information about the program and also demonstrate the program. If you want to download the free version go to <http://www.naturalreaders.com/download.htm>.

The screen you will see at the download page is below. Select which version you want to download. Please note, this picture does not show the buttons to download the Mac version.



Free NaturalReader 10.0

Microsoft Voice included
All functions to read aloud any text in your computer
Change speed and speaker
Floating bar to read any text in other applications

From Main Site

From backup Site 1

From back up Site 2



For Mac

For Mac User



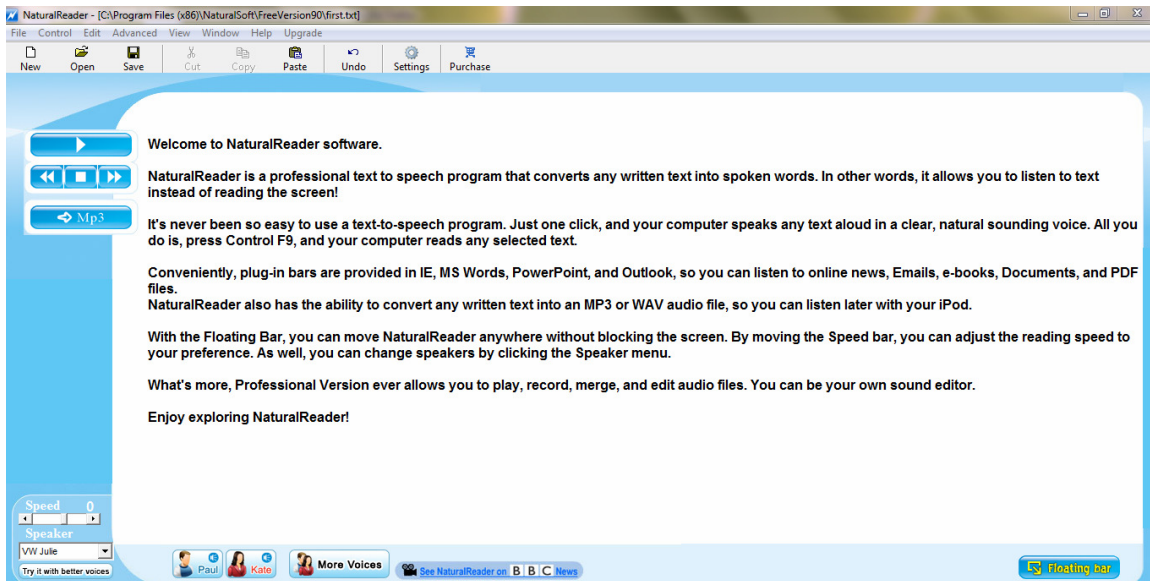
Free NaturalReader Mac 2.0

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Once the program has downloaded you will need to install it. Follow the directions for the installation. Please note, this program will be found in a folder

called Natural Soft. Once it is installed the information below walks you through how to use Natural Reader.

If you have not installed a shortcut on your desktop go the Natural Soft folder and select the Free Natural Reader. As soon as you click on Natural Reader it will begin to “welcome” you. See the screenshot below.

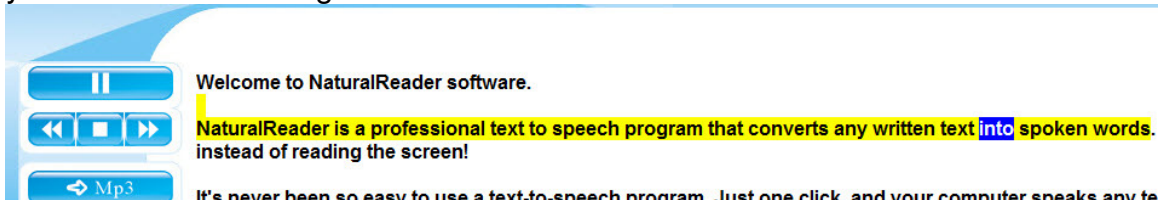


Below are specific buttons that appear on this screen. Directions are provided for each button.

This button allows you to start and stop the programs reading.



This screen shot shows a sentence being read. The sentence is highlighted in yellow. The word being read is in blue.

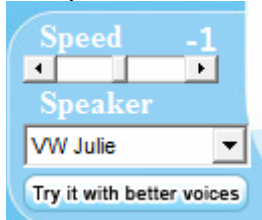


This button allows you to ask the program to move forward or back one sentence, and you may also use it to stop the reading.

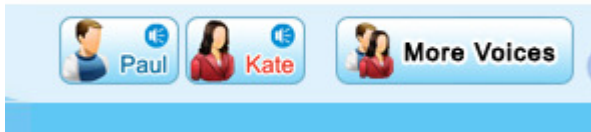


Please note – the MP3 button DOES NOT WORK in the free version.

This button allows you to select the speed. It uses a slider. It also allows you to choose the voice. The voices will be determined by what other software you have that provides voices.



The buttons below may also be loaded on your screen. Paul and Kate are two additional voices that may be accessible. The paid version of the program has other voices available. The More Voices will take you to the website where you can hear additional voices and you may choose to purchase additional voices if you purchase the program.



The button below is the Floating Toolbar. This is a great tool because you can use the floating toolbar to read websites as well as text in other programs.



When you click on the floating toolbar the toolbar below will be placed it will on the last program you had open. This will allow you to have online text read to you and it will read papers you write.



When you use this button you **MUST** select your text and highlight it. The first button will read the text once you have highlighted it\



The next button will stop the reading.



This button will bring you back to the large screen.



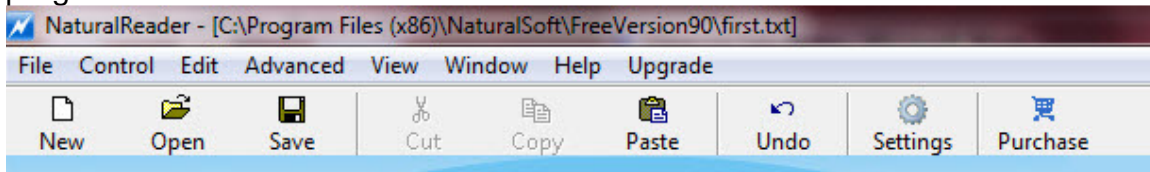
This button will bring up a screen that allows you to change voice and speed of reading.



The two buttons below will allow you to minimize the program (the – sign) or to close the program (the x sign).



There is one more area we need to explore... the menu bars at the top of the program.



Most of these will be familiar to you.

The New button opens a new document window. You may type in this window (and have your words read back to you) or you may paste information into it.



The Save button allows you to save what is in your window so you can have it read to you later.



The Open button allows you to open a document you have saved.



The very top bar has a number of menus on it. See below.

