

What is it? Audio notes allow the user (students or teachers) to use their voice to record notes in an audio format instead of in print.

What Type of Student Might Benefit?

- Students who have difficulty writing or typing
- Students who need auditory prompts to support comprehension
- Students who need auditory prompts to support note-taking
- Students who have difficulty getting their ideas down on paper
- Students with visual impairments

How Does it Help?

- Allows students to demonstrate their understanding of the material orally, thus removing the stress and frustration some students experience with the mechanics of writing
- Allows teacher to leave auditory cues for the student
 - Provide directions
 - Stop the student at different points of the text to cue them about their purpose for reading, ex. "In this chapter highlight 3 events that made the industrial revolution possible." Or "When reading this essay, try to find the author's purpose. Highlight the text that supports your conclusion."

Some Commercial Products that Allow for Audio Notes:

Microsoft Word

- How to record audio notes in MS Word - <http://youtu.be/2Pf0fV2gAF0>

Adobe Acrobat Professional

- How to record audio notes in Adobe Acrobat - http://youtu.be/X_yhRNGAg9w

Kurzweil 3000

- How to record audio notes in Kurzweil - <http://youtu.be/zVold-veDgs>

Audio Notetaker

- Learn About Audio Notetaker - <http://goo.gl/Ht3PG>

BrailleNote Apex

- Record using BrailleNote Apex - <http://youtu.be/1DKoATUUnS8>

Free Program that Provide Audio Notes:

Audacity

- Download Audacity - <http://goo.gl/rNFDG>
- How to record using Audacity - <http://youtu.be/5rNdJb2H2qs>