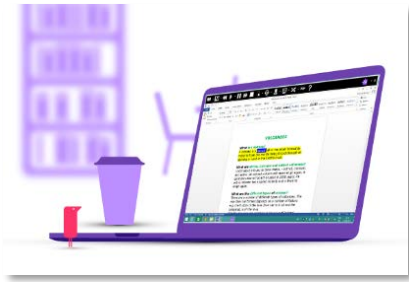




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Free Software Download - Texthelp Read&Write



At Marr College we use a software tool called **Read&Write** from **Texthelp** to help every pupil improve in literacy if required. We're delighted to let you know that this is available for home use and we would like to offer you the opportunity to download the software support learning during this period of home schooling.

Read&Write is a piece of software that works as a 'toolbar' in conjunction with familiar tools such as Word, Google Docs and web browsers. It offers a range of powerful support tools to help students gain confidence with reading, writing, studying and research:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F2oV7WVLHlc>

- Text-to-speech to hear words, passages, or whole documents read aloud with easy-to-follow dual colour highlighting
- Dictionary definitions and pictures to identify the meaning of words
- With speech-to-text, dictate words to assist with writing, proofreading & studying
- Word prediction to offer suggestions for the current or next word to build writing skills
- Collection of highlights from text in documents, from a web page or PDF for summarising and research to help revision

Read&Write for Microsoft Home Use Access Instruction Video

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MOGKRRFkZvI>

To login choose '**Microsoft**' and use your child's **GLOW** email address in the format: sa??bloggsj@glow.sch.uk

The password required will also be your child's GLOW password.

Other help videos are available through the programme and YouTube but please don't hesitate to contact us at Marr.Mail@south-ayrshire.gov.uk if we can help in any way or follow us on our twitter **@MarrInclusion**

In addition you can download **Scottish voices** specially created for use with text to speech software for **Scottish learners** here:

<https://www.thescottishvoice.org.uk/Download/>

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