

WRITING

The following Free or Low-Cost Assistive Technology programs, software, websites, and apps focus on different forms of writing support.

Co:Writer Universal



Features:

- Word Prediction app that gives you suggestions of words as you type with the option of reading your word options out loud
- Built-in text-to-speech reads back what you've typed
- Grammar and spelling support
- Export files to Dropbox, Google Drive, and other programs
- Create topic dictionaries from websites and Wikipedia links
- More Information: [Co: Writer Website](#)
- Cost: Free trial and \$4.99/month
- Compatibility: iOS; Chrome Extension; Microsoft Edge add-on

Ginger Grammar Checker & Spell Checker



Features:

- Checks your spelling and grammar and fixes it according to the context of your text in Microsoft Word, Outlook, PowerPoint, Internet Explorer, Firefox, Safari, Chrome
- Suggests different and better ways to express your sentences (Premium)
- Provides training to improve your mistakes (Premium)
- Reads your text out loud (Premium)
- More Information: [Ginger Website](#)
- Cost: Free and paid premium version
- Compatibility: Windows, Mac OS, Android, iOS and Chrome Extension

Grammarly



Features:

- An application that can assist with finding writing mistakes and contextual errors, spelling errors, and poor vocabulary usage
- Find the right word you are looking for with synonym suggestions
- Learn from your mistakes to avoid them in the future
- Grammarly in emails, essays, and more
- More Information: [Grammarly Website](https://www.grammarly.com)
- Cost: Free and Premium version
- Compatibility: Chrome Extension; iOS; Android

Hemingway Editor



Features:

- Assists with writing clarity, passive voice editing, and readability
- Displays how many words typed
- Available in the web browser and as a desktop application
- More Information: [Hemingway Editor Website](https://www.hemingwayeditor.com)
- Cost: Free for web browser; \$19.99 for desktop application
- Compatibility: Online Resource and Windows or Mac desktop application

iWordQ



Features

- Context-based word prediction tool; including homonyms
- Make your own custom abbreviation to simplify your writing
- Text-to-Speech function allows for you to listen to your writing to hear any mistakes, make changes and catch up as you proofread
- More Information: [iWordQ Website](https://www.iwordq.com)
- Cost: \$34.99
- Compatibility: iOS: iPad

LanguageTool



Features:

- Free AI-based grammar and spell checking tool
- Available for more than 25 different languages
- The free version can check up to 10,000 characters
- Style suggestions are available in the premium version
- More Information: [LanguageTool Website](#)
- Cost: Free for basic and \$5.83/month for premium version
- Compatibility: Online Resource and Chrome Extension

ProWritingAid



Features:

- Writing editor Chrome extension
- Works within websites, emails, Google Docs and other online sources
- With the free version, it scans the first 500 words for various categories in your writing, such as grammar, spell checking, and more
- More Information: [ProWritingAid Website](#)
- Cost: Free for limited version or \$10/month for premium version
- Compatibility: Free Chrome, Edge, and Safari Extension; Online Editor; Windows; Mac

QuillBot



Features:

- AI paraphrasing, summarizing, and grammar checking writing tool
- Checks for grammar, provides synonyms and rephrases suggestions for up to 125 words at a time
- 1200 word limit for the summarizing feature and includes a free word counting tool as well
- More information: [QuillBot Website](#)
- Cost: Free and premium versions
- Compatibility: Online editor; Chrome Extension; Mac; Microsoft Word

TextExpander



Features:

- Type more with less effort using this custom keyboard shortcut app
- Create custom abbreviations called snippets of frequently used words and phrases for easy, quick entry into your documents
- Insert snippets by simply touching on them on your screen
- Use Dropbox to sync your snippets across devices
- More Information: [TextExpander Website](#)
- Cost: \$3.33/month
- Compatibility: iOS

VDWrite



Features:

- Make fewer mistakes, use the right words and organize your writing better with this app
- Text-to-speech and voice-to-text help you to proofread to avoid awkward sentences or grammatical mistakes
- Dictionary, Phonetic Spell Checker, and Word Finder help you use the correct words when writing
- Outline of paper allows for better structure and ease when restructuring your paper
- More Information: [Voice Dream Writer Website](#)
- Cost: \$9.99
- Compatibility: iOS

Word Bank Universal



Features:

- Assists with developing a vocabulary for writing by creating a word bank highlighting most used words in larger fonts
- “Word Bank also summarizes and extracts important people, places, a timeline, and numbers from web pages.” ([Don Johnston Incorporated, 2023](#))
- Available text-to-speech
- Searchable content
- More Information: [Word Bank Universal Website](#)
- Cost: \$3.99/month
- Compatibility: Online Resource

Writing Challenge



Features:

- Offers topic suggestions for writing
- Gamifies writing through daily challenges
- More Information: [Writing Challenge Website](#)
- Cost: \$1.99 iOS and \$1.49 Android
- Compatibility: iOS; Mac; Windows; Android; Kindle

Writing Prompts



Features:

- Assist with writer's block
- Offers a variety of writing prompts
- App works on and offline
- More Information: [Writing Prompts Website](#)
- Cost: \$1.99
- Compatibility: iOS; Android; Kindle

Written Kitten

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Features:

- Encourages words typed by showing a picture of a kitten for every 100 words typed
- The image displayed can be adjusted per user preference
- More Information: [Written Kitten Website](#)
- Cost: Free
- Compatibility: Online Resource