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## Premier AT Home.

In order to assist students in accessing Assistive Technology on computers within their homes, Rainbow has purchased access to the Premier Literacy AT Home website. Families of any student registered in a Rainbow District School Board school may download these Assistive Technology tools without cost!

The various tools available on the Premier AT Home website are being introduced to students in Rainbow schools. As a result, your children will be able to access the same tools at home as they use on computers in their schools.

Your home computer must have the following minimum system requirements.

- Microsoft Windows XP, Vista
- 512 MB of RAM
- 200 MB of free disc space
- Mouse, keyboard, speakers
- SVGA Monitor with a minimum 800 x 600 DPI resolution
- (Scanner optional)

Your family may go to [www.premierathome.com](http://www.premierathome.com) and download as many of the tools as needed. However, they may only be installed on computers owned by your family. Once your family enters the website, they will need to use the following username and password to Log In.

Username: rainbow

Password: enable

If your family encounters any technical difficulties while downloading or using the program, help is available directly from Premier Literacy.

Rainbow staff would like to hear from your family once they have started to use Premier AT Home. Please email comments to:

[holmesh@rainbowschools.ca](mailto:holmesh@rainbowschools.ca)

### **Premier Digital Literacy Tool Descriptions**

**Universal Reader** Universal Reader is the ultimate “read anything-anytime” program. A world-class, all purpose utility that allows the user to highlight text and have it read aloud within almost any application. The built in, revolutionary “talking Pointer” allows the user to place the cursor over the desired text to have it read aloud. The powerful Language Model Information Summarization (LMIS) feature allows the user to quickly and efficiently summarize information making it a valuable study tool.

**Ultimate Talking Dictionary** The Ultimate Talking Dictionary is a robust dictionary offering 250,000 words. INTERLINK technology allows the user to find unknown words as well as known words. With special features that allow it to work with other assistive technologies, it is one of the most powerful and affordable dictionaries of its kind.

**Talking Word Processor** Talking Word Processor is an easy-to-use and fully functional word processor program with Text-to-Speech capability. Compatible with most word processor files, it boasts many features including Grammar Check, Information Summarization, word and sentence repeat, word prediction, highlight and extract tool, and an integrated 250,000 word dictionary.

**E-Text Reader** E-Text Reader is a must-have tool for reading electronic documents. With full editing capabilities and the ability to read multiple file formats, the E-Text Reader is a robust reading tool. Including such features as Information Summarization and text highlight and extract, it is a powerful tool in any Assistive Technology toolbox.

**PDF Equalizer ML** PDF Equalizer ML is an exceptionally powerful program that allows the user enhanced control over PDF files without the complication of conversion. A substantial software solution, it easily reads PDF files adlo7ud, converts to MP3 files, allows for the additional of synchronized NOTES, and offers information summary of content. Adding to its powerhouse features, PDF Equalizer ML supports English, French and Spanish, allowing the user to see dynamic screen changes once a language selection has been made.

**Scan and Read Pro** Scan and Read Pro is an affordable software solution for making reading easy. Changing printed text to understandable sound; it aids reading comprehension by highlighting each word as it reads aloud.

**Text-to-Audio** A high-end application that takes existing digitized text files and convert them to multiple standard digital audio formats such as WAVE and MP3. Text-to-Audio can be used to create electronic audio books quickly and easily.

**PDF Builder** Premier PDF Builder is a tool that helps educators quickly create and manipulate electronic content for the classroom. PDF files are a great format for alternative materials, but making them and manipulating them has always been difficult- until now.

**PDF Magic Pro** PDF Magic Pro can convert virtually ANY PDF file (even encrypted) into any of 11 different types, including MS Word, RTF, ASCII Text ... all of which are fully accessible. With Premier's new technology, full page formatting is retained (including colour graphics, photos, boxes, columns, etc.) from the original documents to the resulting document. The accuracy and integrity of the document is unsurpassed.

**Premier Predictor Pro** The Premier Predictor Pro is a talking word prediction program that works with most computer programs. Predictor Pro will display word lists suggesting the most probable word at the top of the list. This technology can significantly reduce the number of key strokes an individual needs to make. It also includes a built in talking dictionary, word search and Document Digester.

**Talking Calculator** Talking Calculator is a fully functional talking calculator that works with or without a screen reader. Easy to use with large keys and contrasting colours, it displays entries and results as it works.

**Text Cloner Pro** Scanning applications with full OCR (Optical Character Recognition). Great companions for sight-impaired users who already have screen reader software. This revolutionary one-touch scanning words with virtually any scanner. Place a book or other document on a scanner and with a press of a button, the text appears on our computer screen. Now includes new EXACT MATCH technology for even greater scanning accuracy.