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What is the Listen button that I see?

The Listen button is a ReadSpeaker tool called webReader. When you click on it, it will read the text on the page. You can adjust the reading speed, change the highlighting colors, enlarge the text, use a page mask, download the file to mp3 for offline listening, and more! You will find it in Content, Assignments, Quizzes, and Discussion Threads.

ReadSpeaker webReader Expanded and Explained



What do I do when I don't have a listen button, and it is a file?

If it is a file (MS Word, PowerPoint, Excel, ePub, PDF, etc.), you will use ReadSpeaker docReader. Before opening the document, you must determine which Brightspace view you use. There are currently three views: Classic View, New Learner Content, and New Learner Experience. Each will be discussed below, including how to open the document in the ReadSpeaker docReader interface.

Classic View of Brightspace

For the Classic View, follow these steps to open the ReadSpeaker docReader:

- 1. Click on the dropdown menu to the right of the file's title \checkmark .
- 2. Click "Open with docReader."



This will reload the document into a readable interface. It has many of the same tools as ReadSpeaker webReader.

New Content Experience and Instructor View of the New Learner Experience of Brightspace

To view the New Content Experience and the instructor's view of the New Learner Experience, follow the steps below to open ReadSpeaker docReader.

On the upper right-hand corner of the screen, click on the speaker \P .



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Student View of New Learner Experience of Brightspace

For the student view of the New Learner Experience, follow the steps below to open the ReadSpeaker docReader.

On the screen's upper right-hand corner, click "Open DocReader."



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