

Dragon Naturally Speaking

Dragon is a voice recognition software designed to convert speech into text, as well as control mouse and keyboard functions through voice commands to provide hands-free access to a computer.

Profile Setup

Each user will be required to create a profile. Profiles aid Dragon's ability to learn a user's speech patterns, which aids in increasing Dragons ability to convert speech to text accurately.

1. Open **Dragon Naturally Speaking**.
2. Select **Profile**, then click on **Manage User Profiles**.



3. Click on **New**.
4. Click **Next**.
5. Enter a name for the profile, then click **Next**.

A screenshot of the 'Name your user profile' dialog box. It contains the text: 'Please give this user profile a name to distinguish it from the previously created user profiles. Most people use their first and last name.' Below this is a text input field with the label 'Enter a name:' and the text 'Robert Starr' entered.

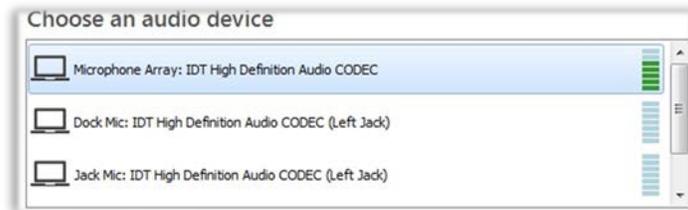
6. Select a **region** (helps Dragon identify voice inflections).

A screenshot of the 'Select your region' dropdown menu. The menu is open, showing a list of regions: 'United States' (selected), 'United States', 'Canada', 'United Kingdom', 'Australia', 'New Zealand', 'Indian Subcontinent', and 'Southeast Asia'.

7. Select an **accent** (helps Dragon identify accent word pronunciations).



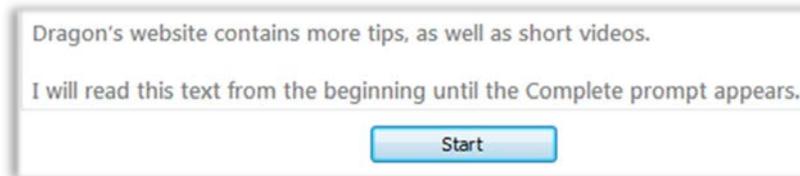
8. Choose a **microphone**.



Microphone Setup

The microphone setup will ensure the microphone is working properly before Dragon begins voice recognition training.

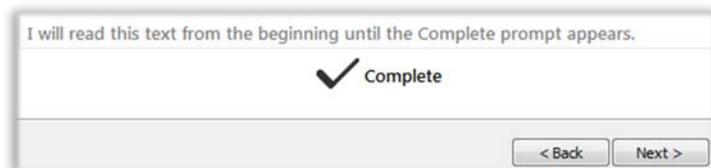
1. Read the check microphone prompt to adjust the microphone. Then press **Next**.
2. Before configuring the microphone, make sure all other microphones are turned off or disconnected from the computer. Multiple enabled microphones can cause issues during configuration.
3. Press the **Start** button and begin reading the passage.



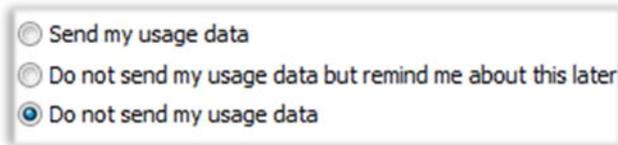
4. Dragon will make adjustments to the microphone settings while listening to the user.



5. When configuration is complete, press **Next**.



6. Choose a data usage option, then click **Next**.



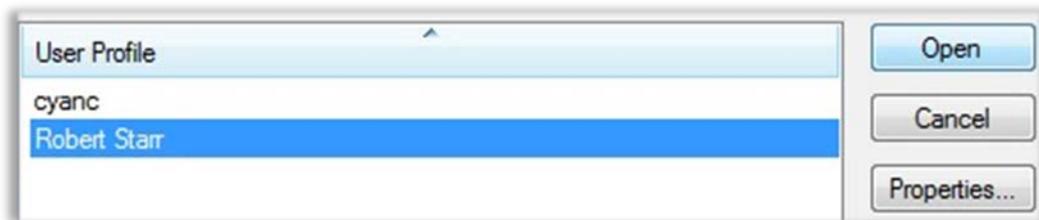
7. Click **Finished** when the microphone setup is complete.

Interactive Tutorial

Dragon's interactive tutorial will begin and can be stopped at any time. Follow the onscreen prompts to learn more about how to use Dragon's features. The features include: The DragonBar, using the microphone with commands, the learning center, etc.

Dictation

1. Open **Dragon Naturally Speaking**.
2. Select **Profile**, then click on **Open User Profile**.
3. Choose a user profile by clicking on the profile name, then click **Open**.



4. Turn the microphone on by clicking on the **Microphone** button. If the button is Red, the microphone is off. If the button is Green, the microphone is on.



5. Open Microsoft Word, Notepad, or another word processing program.
6. Begin dictating. As Dragon recognizes speech, it will insert text into the word processing program.
7. Save the document.