Apple computers have a text to speech program users may utilize to have text spoken by the computer.

Configure Text to Speech

1. Click the ‘Apple’ icon in the top left corner.
2. Click on ‘System Preferences’.
3. Click on the ‘Dictation & Speech’ icon.
4. Click on ‘Text To Speech’.
5. Enable shortcut for ‘Speak selected text when the key is pressed’ by checking the box.
6. Select a voice from the ‘System Voice’ drop down list (Samantha is recommended for a more natural spoken voice). Adjust the ‘Speaking Rate’ to increase or decrease reading speed. Press the ‘Play’ button to preview the voice and speaking rate.

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7. Open a document or web browser.
8. Select the preferred text or press the ‘Command + A’ to select the entire document or webpage.
9. Press the ‘Option + ESC’ buttons to begin listening to the text.
10. Use the same ‘Option + Esc’ buttons to stop listening to the text.

Additional Information

Watch a YouTube video for more information on the Text to Speech software. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RbAlpq-xzLY