

# Text to Speech (MAC)

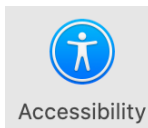
Apple computers have built-in text to speech capabilities that users may activate to have text read aloud by the computer.

## Configure Text to Speech

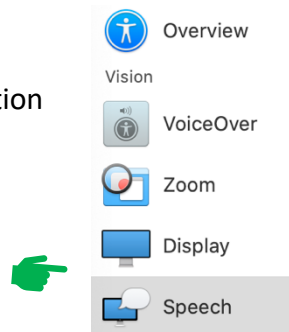
1. Click the 'Apple' icon, 

then open 'System Preferences' 

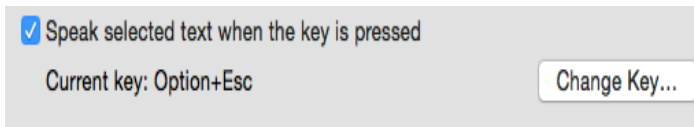
2. Click on the 'Accessibility' icon.



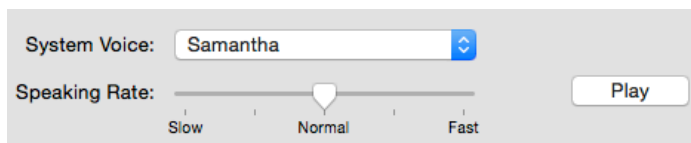
3. Select the 'Speech' option



4. Enable shortcut for 'Speak selected text when the key is pressed' by checking the box. Use the . **Change Key** option to customize to your activation control (e.g., Option + S)



5. Select a voice from the 'System Voice' drop down list. 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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6. Open a document or web browser or program that lets you add typed content.
7. Select the preferred text or press the '**Command + A**' to select the entire document or webpage.
8. Activate the shortcut you created to begin listening to the text.
9. Use the same buttons to stop listening to the reading

