

Accessible E-books Selection Criteria

Navigation

- Intuitive organization, predictable use of icons and placement
- Ability to engage assistive features at any point within the text
- Well-designed table of contents / hyperlinked map of resource

Voice

- Possibility of adjusting speed
- Synthetic voice*: availability of different “human-sounding” voices
- Real voice*: authenticity (audio voice matches narrator of text), expression, fluency
- Ability to remove background sounds (sound effects, music, etc.)

Text & Display

- Ability to change font: type (e.g. OpenDyslexic), size, colour, spacing
- Aesthetically pleasing layout; options to change contrast

Personalization, Flexibility & Support for Instruction

- Option to create Bookmarks
- Availability of adding and organizing Annotations
- Interaction with external products; ability to export (e.g. Google Drive)
- Built-in classroom management / teacher monitoring module
- Unrestricted, multiple-use (versus one book / one reader model)