

## AT Select: Finding the Right Assistive Technology for Your Student



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#### Today's Presenters

#### Presentation Outline

- What is Assistive Technology?
- The SETT Framework
- Case Study
- Q & A



#### What is Assistive Technology?

"Any technology (commercial, modified, or customized) that can assist, increase, maintain, or improve the functional capabilities of individuals with disabilities."

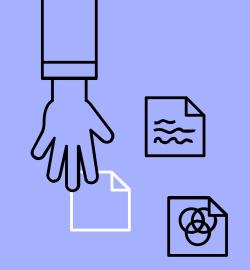
(Day & Edwards, 1996; Wissick & Gardner, 2008)

#### What AT Isn't...

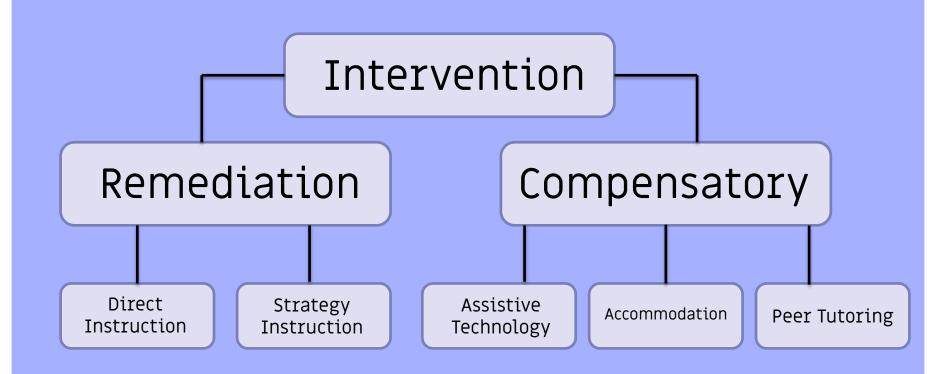
Educational Technology vs. Assistive Technology







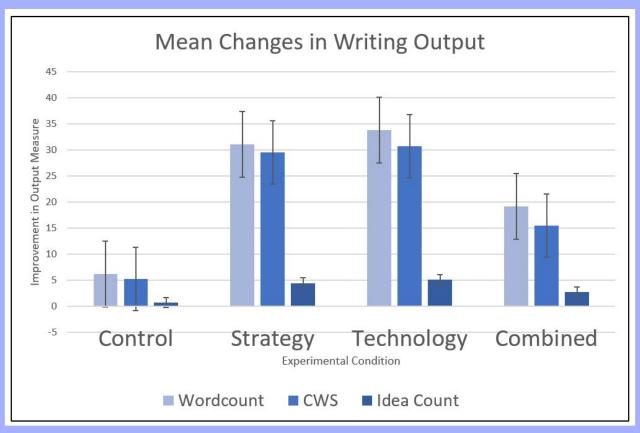




1: AT is a quick "fix" for academic weaknesses

2: AT provides an unfair advantage for students

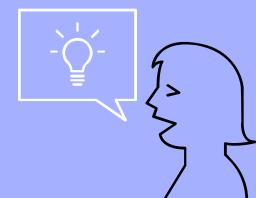
3: Training teachers and students in AT is too time consuming and difficult



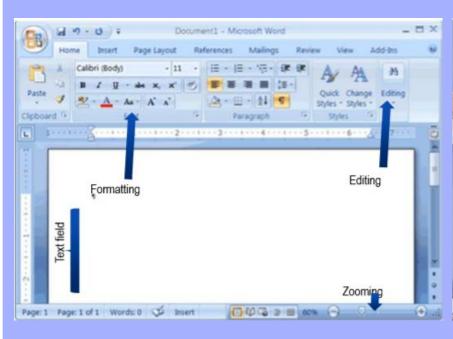


# How do we select the right AT?

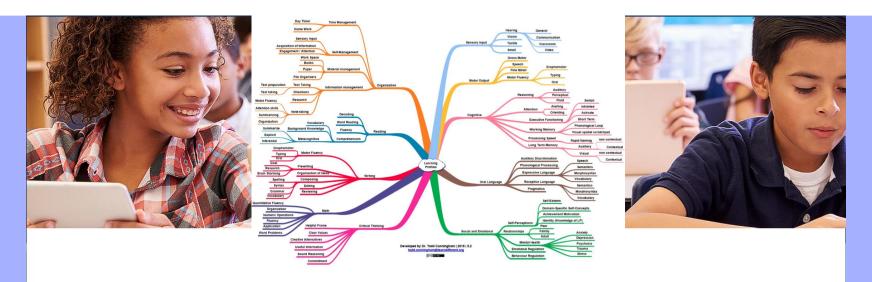




#### Tools, NOT Programs







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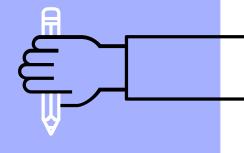
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#### SETT Framework

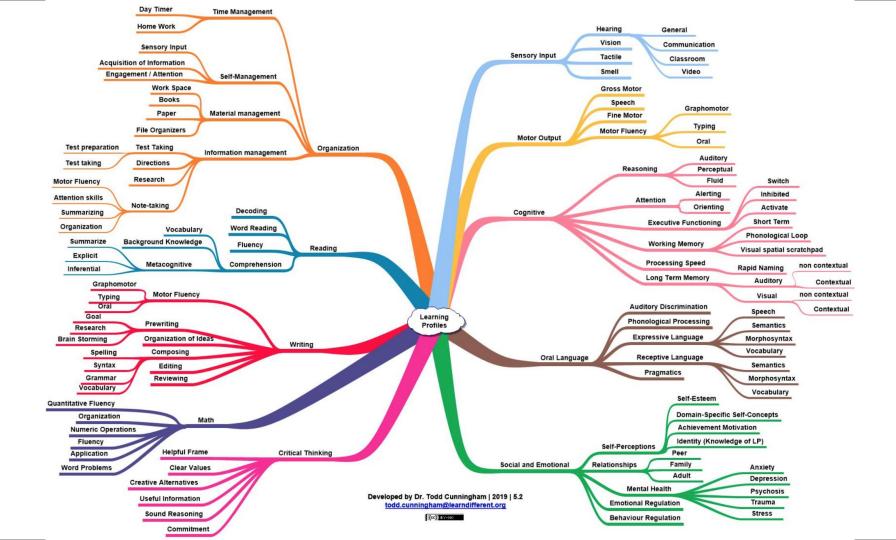






## STUDENT





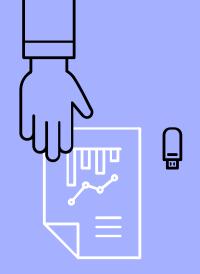
#### What is the specific deficit(s)?

#### Academic Skills

- Reading
- Writing
- Math
- Organization
- Language
- Attention
- Sensory
- Motor

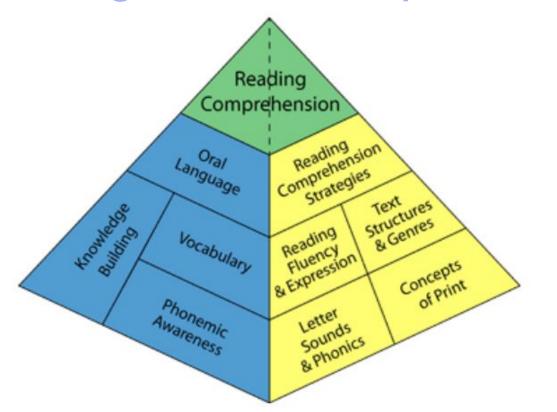
#### Cognitive Processes

- Verbal Comprehension
- Visual Spatial
- Working Memory
- Processing Speed



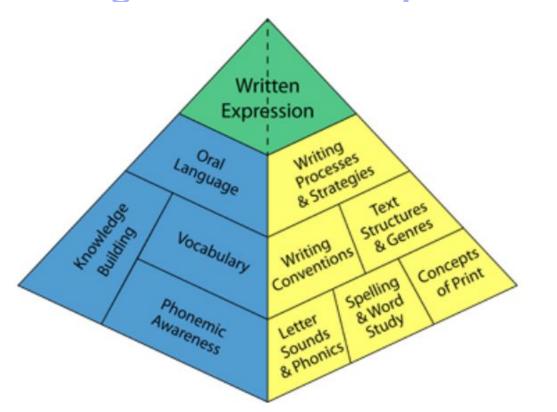


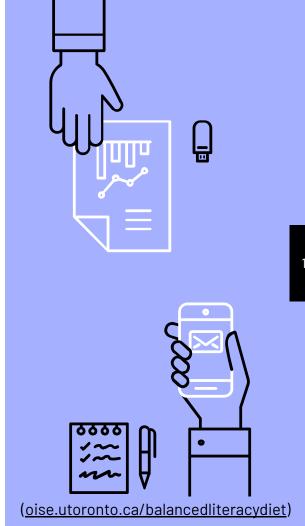
#### 'Reading Deficit'....Be specific!



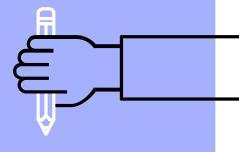


#### 'Writing Deficit'....Be specific!









## ENVIRONMENT



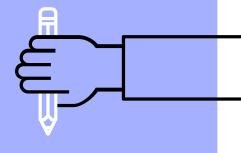


#### What must we consider?

#### Keep in mind..

- Instructional and physical arrangements
- Materials and equipment
  - Currently available vs. need to get
  - e.g. computer, internet access, access to power
- Supports for both the student and the personnel working with the student
- Attitudes and expectations that could affect the student's performance



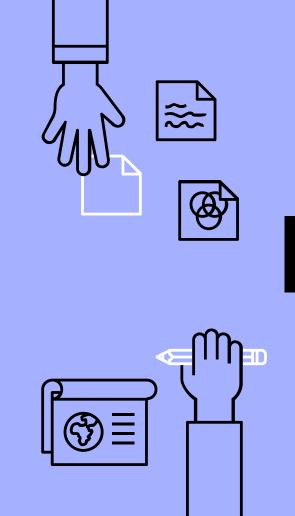


## **TASK**



## Task What are we asking the student to do?

- Read & answering questions
- Journal writing
- Reports or Presentations
- Research
- Group work
- Spelling test
- Attend to lessons
- Note taking
- Multiple Choice Tests
- Math (including word problems)



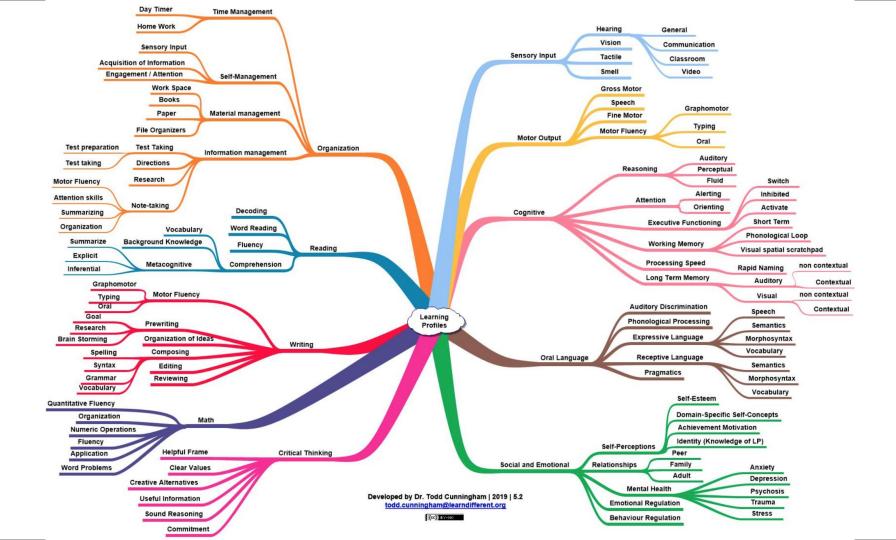




Question time!

How many skills does a student need to write a sentence?





#### Sentence Writing Skills

Writing
Editing
Grammar
Graphomotor
Organization of Ideas
Prewriting

Prewriting
Reviewing
Spelling
Syntax
Typing

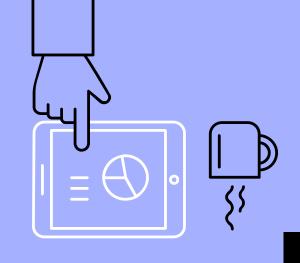
Vocabulary

Reading Background Knowledge Inferential Comprehension Vocabulary Decoding Reading Fluency Word Reading **Explicit** Comprehension

Summarize

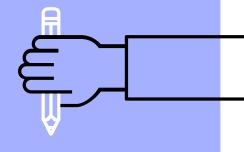
**Sensory Input** Vision Attention Alerting Orienting











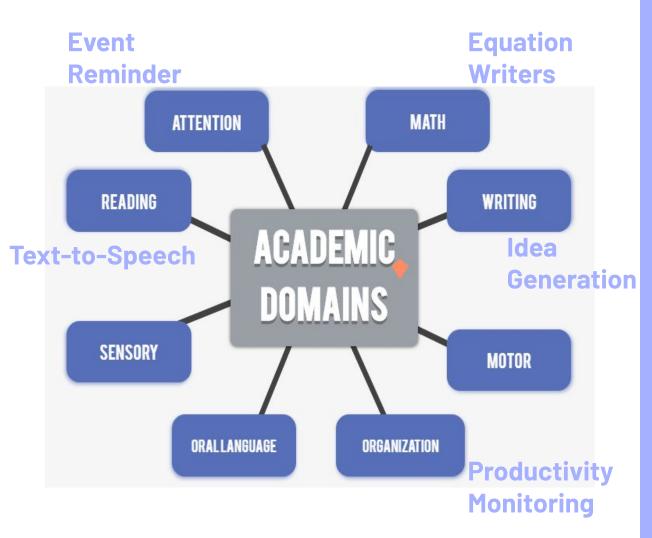
## TOOLS

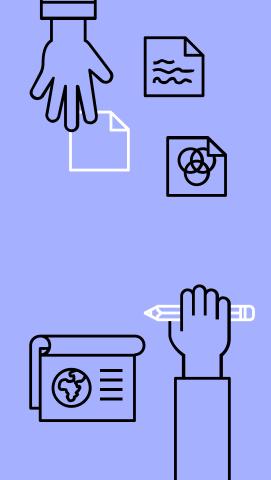


#### Example Tools

- Problem
- Example Tool
- How to use &Considerations
- Evidence

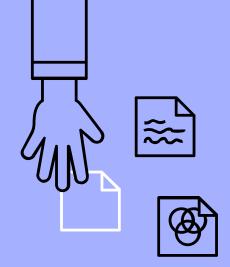






#### Geographic Reminder

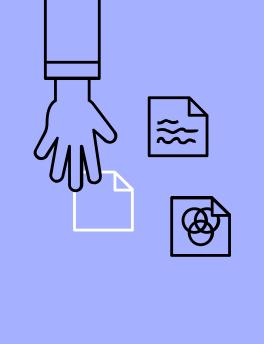






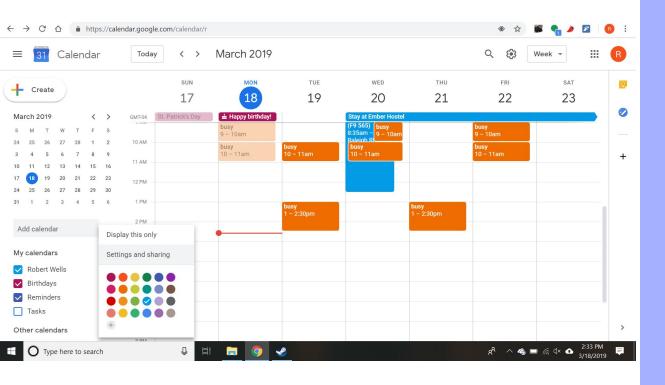
#### **Event Reminder**

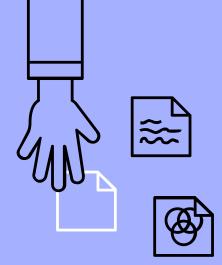
Who has ever forgotten something?





#### Attention: Event Reminder

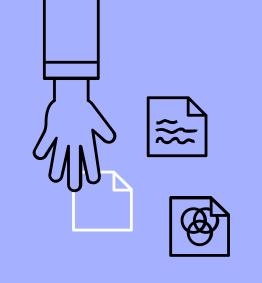






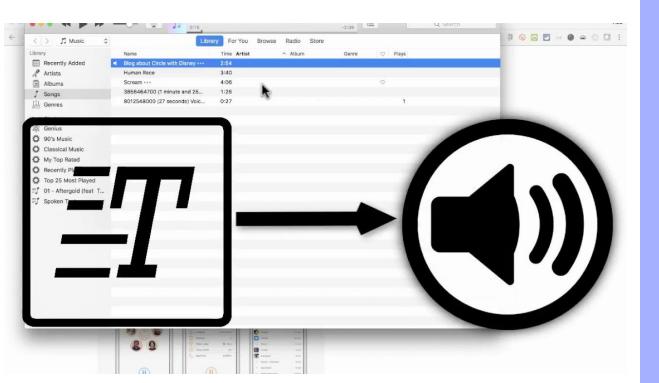
#### Reading: Text To Speech

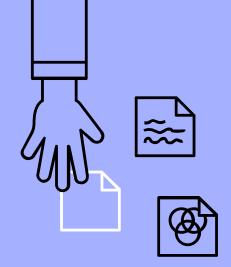
http://data.qz.com/2016/dyslexia/





## Reading: Text To Speech



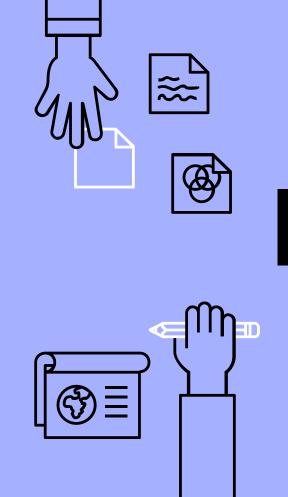




### Text To Speech

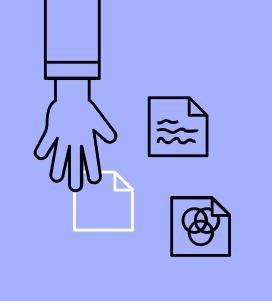
 Fantastic tool for bypassing decoding, fluency, or limited reading ability

Does NOT help comprehension!



#### Math

$$x + 71 = 31$$
 $x = -31 - 47$ 
 $x = 77 - 31$ 
 $x = +40$ 

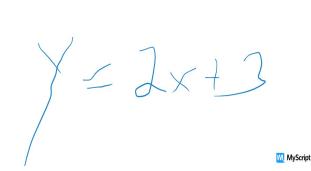


#### Math

Computation

But also...

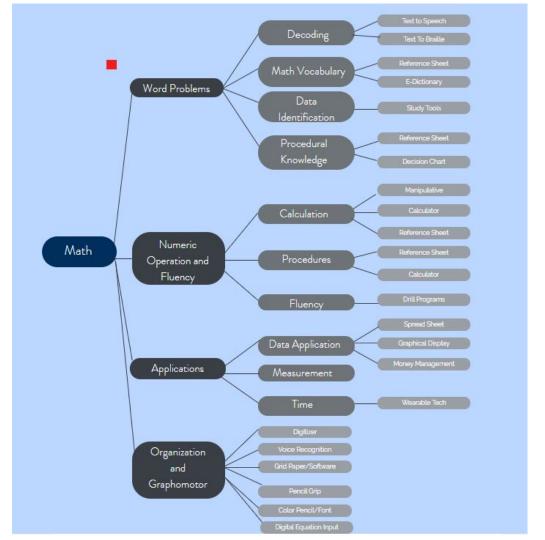
Graphomotor

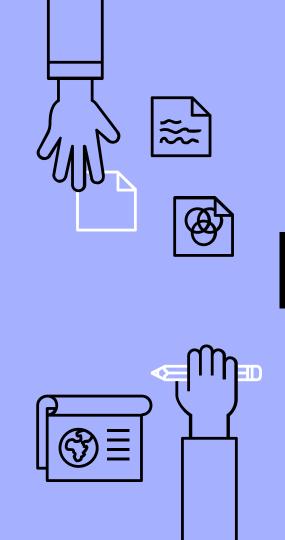


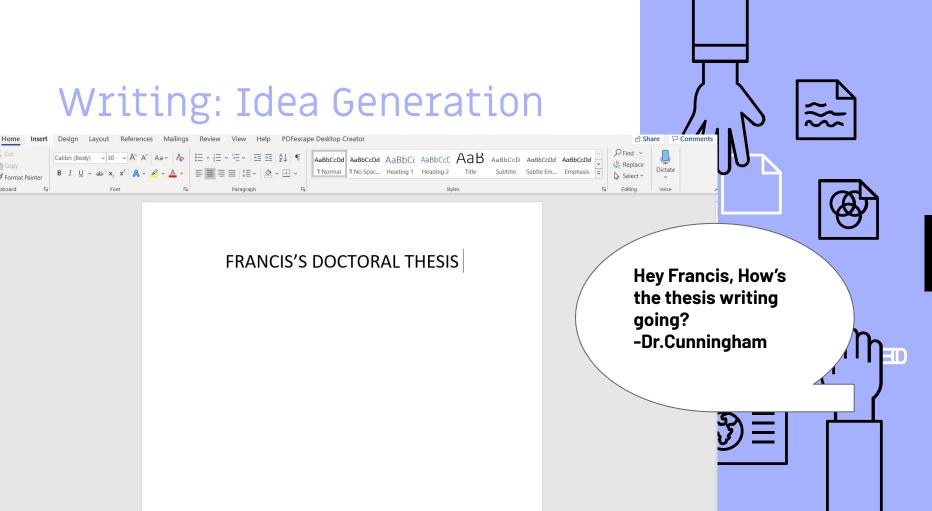
y = 2x + 3

‡₌ Math

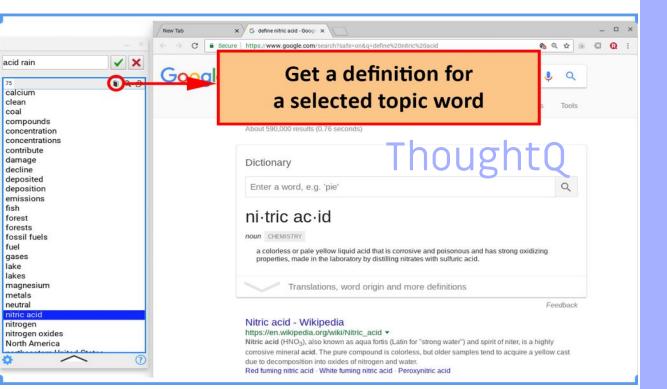


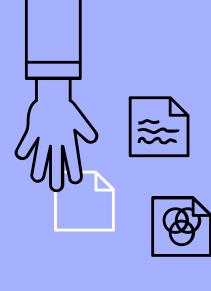




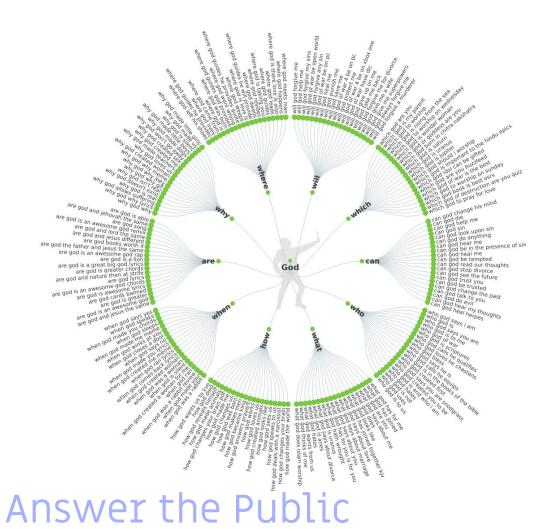


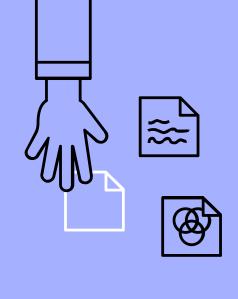
## Writing: Idea Generation















Your Weekly Report

For the week of January 14, 2019

Over the past week, you logged

30h 37m

₹ 13 fewer hours than the previous week

Your productivity pulse

₹ 6.6% decrease from the previous week

Most productive day

Thursday, Jan. 17

Most productive time

Afternoon

Most of your time went towards:

Reference

Business

Uncategorized

Comm/Schedule

Entertainment

Top applications and websites:

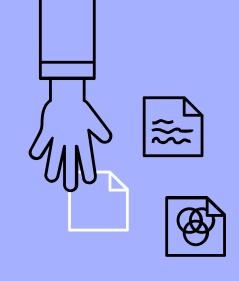
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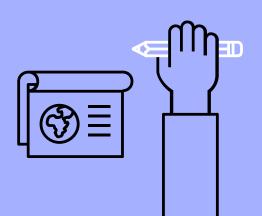
Gmail

1h 44m evernote

1h 31m popcorntime

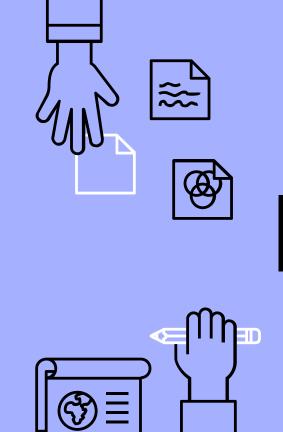
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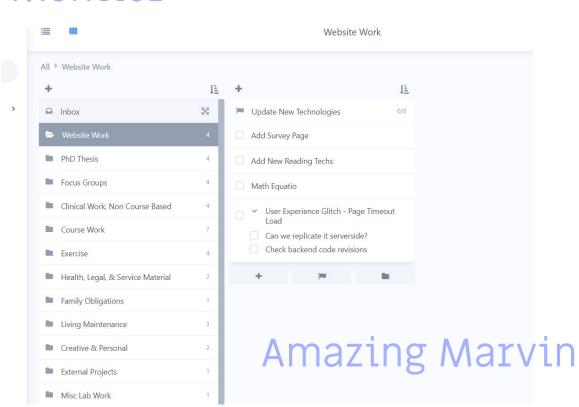


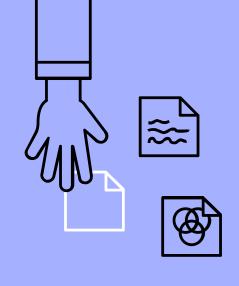
#### 26h 20m of Entertainment this week - RescueTime Weekly Summary



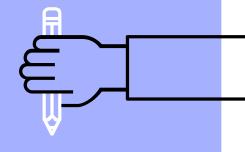


# Organization: Productivity Monitor







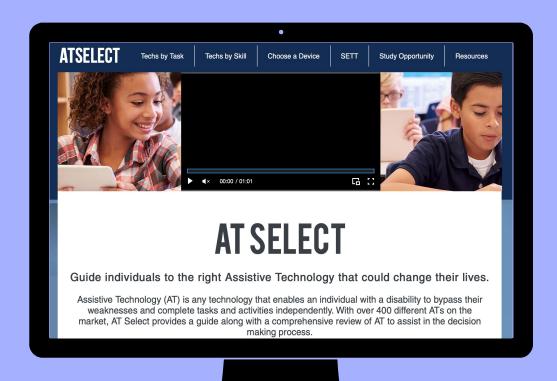


## Case Study



### ATSelect.org

Lets try it out!









**364 PRODUCTS** 



377 EMPIRICAL ARTICLES REVIEWED

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For the classroom teacher who notices a student is unable to complete a task and guides them through identifying appropriate AT to support the student

#### **Techs By Task**

Click here to find the right AT for a specific task, like getting that essay done, solving a math word problem, or remembering where your keys are.

#### Techs By Skill

Click here if you are already aware of the individuals' specific skill deficits and are looking for ATs to support those skills. Typically, this section is used following the completion of a psychoeducation assessment. Use when you know the student's skill,s strength and challenges and can go directly into to finding AT to support the area of needs

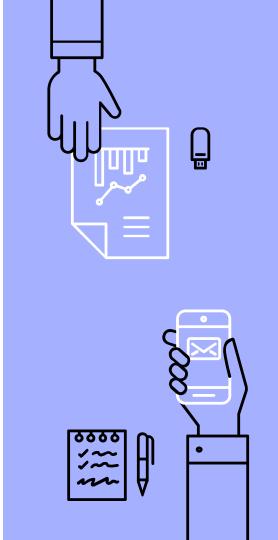
#### ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY TOOL SELECTION PROTOCOL

Student:		School:	
Age:		Grade:	
Date:		AT Plan Review Date:	
Student			
Strengths:			
Weaknesses:			
Environment.			
What device is the student	using?		
Where does the student wo	rk?		
☐ Classroom	Library	☐ Home ☐	Other
Are there any special conce	ms?		
Internet Access	☐ Access to F	Power Non-D	igital Formats
Access to Device	☐ Noise	☐ Physic	al Accessibility
Other			
Task			
dentify one specific task the	student is having o	Moutles with	
Tech			
Based on the above task, u	se the table below t	o determine what Assistive Tec	hnology Tool is suitable for the
			+
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Academic Skill Domain	Academic Ski	ills Assistive Technolog Tool	y Specific AT Product

## Case Study #1

Mike is a male student in your grade 4 class. He lives in an urban center in Canada. Mike generally enjoys school and is performing at grade level in most subjects. He loves to read and has an active imagination. He expresses interest in writing his own stories but struggles to get his ideas onto paper as he struggles forming letters with a pencil and paper. Mike has struggled with handwriting since kindergarten. Mike can become very defeated and disengaged during his written language work periods. He is rarely able to complete writing tasks within the allotted time. While Mike's parents are aware of his struggles, they explain that they can't afford "fancy gadgets" to support him.

You would like Mike to write a short story in his journal based on a picture prompt. You show the class a photograph and ask the students to write a story about what is happening in this picture. This assignment is designed as a creative writing task used to assess a students ability to generate ideas and communicate a story clearly, including a beginning, middle and end. Mike asks you if he can just tell his story to you instead of writing it down, but you have other students to attend to. What technologies could you use to assist Mike with his journal writing?

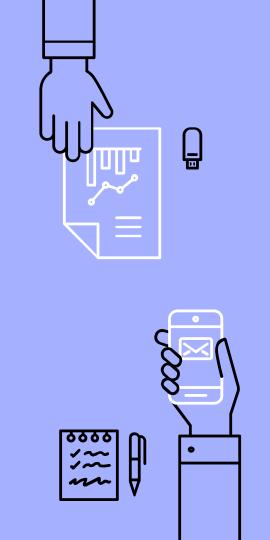


## Case Study #2

Cindy is a female student in your grade 6 class. She lives in an suburban area in Ontario. Cindy generally enjoys school. Up until grade 3 Cindy was meeting expectations for almost all of her classes. Once she began grade 4 her marks started to slip. For the past three years Cindy has been struggling to complete her desk work independently, however she does actively participate in class discussions. Within the past 6 months, Cindy has been constantly asking for help with her desk work, refusing to attempt it independently. When you have the time to sit down with her and talk through the work, she is able to work through the content. You notice that her reading is fairly slow and laboursome. You also find yourself needing to define some of the words in the class reading, especially in science and social studies.

Cindy's parents book a meeting with you to discuss her recent performance at school. They are quite upset that their daughter is struggling so much, especially because they know she is such a bright and dedicated student. They have already bought her a laptop and iPad to support her studies. They are desperate for any help you can provide.

You want Cindy to write a short response to today's Social Studies reading, what techs could help support Cindy.





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