TEXT-TO-SPEECH

Welcome to the DRC! The C-Pen

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"I am a student who learns best when it is read aloud, is there anything that can help me?"—Why yes! There are a variety of software programs that will read digital books aloud (Text-to-Speech). "But, what if I only have a physical book?"—Well, here is the solution for you! I would like to introduce the C-Pen! The C-Pen is a Text-to-Speech device that will read text from a physical book. This device works similar to a highlighter, you "highlight" the sentence you want to read and then the pen will read it aloud. It contains independent readings of text with natural voices. This digital highlighter encourages multi-sensory learning and can help in language retention. There is also a voice-recording feature that students can use to record correct pronunciations of words.

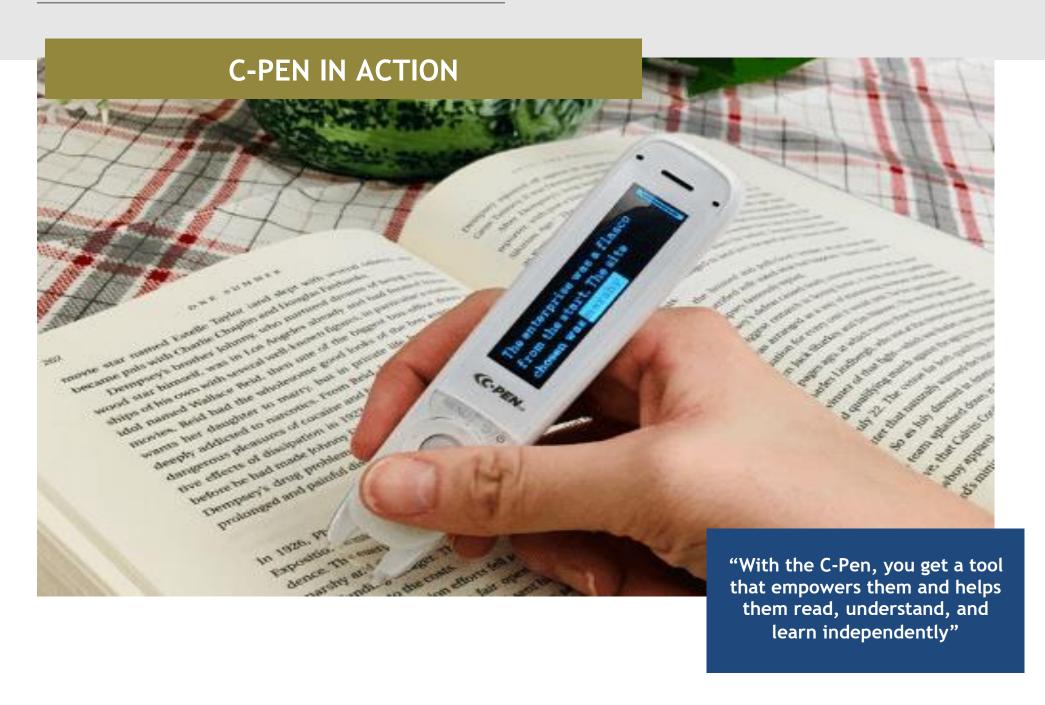
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Exciting ReaderPen features:

- Reads text out aloud.
- Looks up and reads out definitions of words.
- No Wi-Fi required.
- Scans and stores text internally as well as scans to computer (no software required).
- A voice recorder for memos, vocabulary, and pronunciation.
- 3GB user space to store text and audio.
- Speaker and earphone jack.
- Rechargeable battery.

The C-pen is a wondrous tool that the DRC has in its repertoire and a worthy candidate for Tech Corner.

If you have any questions or concerns, you are welcome to contact me through email at <u>juan.guzman-morales@nsc.edu</u>.



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