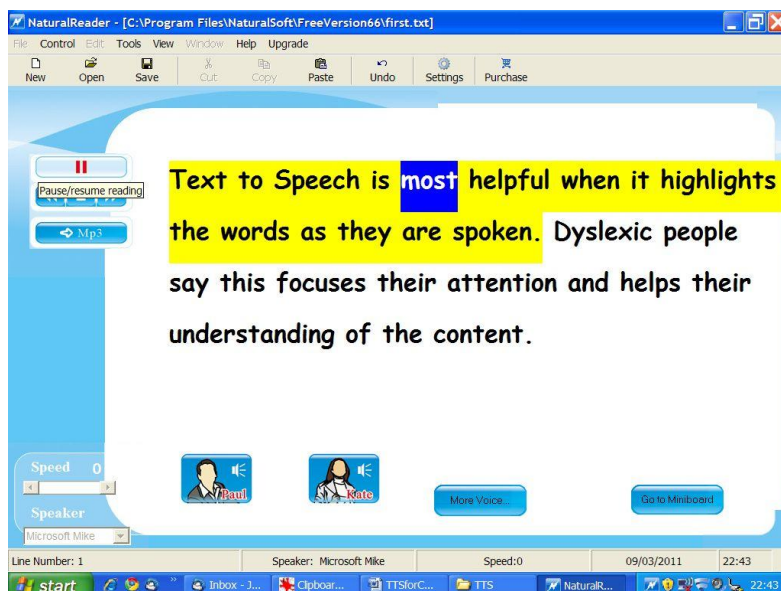


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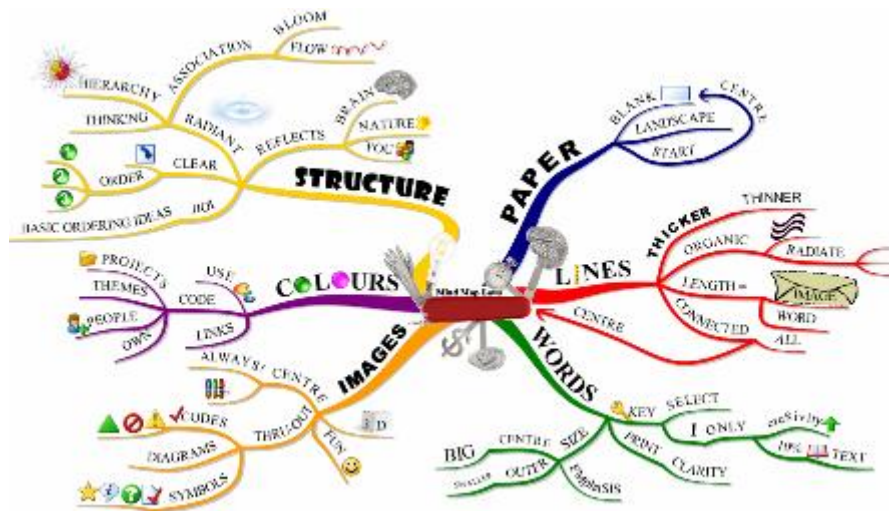
Nowadays there are a wide selection of programs that can support pupils with dyslexia etc.

Some are free to download! Here are some of the programs:-

1. Ivona Reader:- This will read any document (PDF, Word, Internet) and has a Scottish voice. It can be found at www.ivonareader.com It is called Ivona Mini reader.

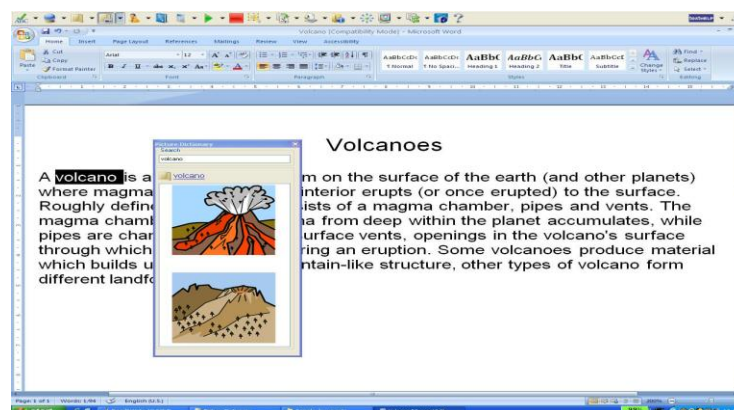


2. Mind map tool by Tony Buzan can be downloaded as a free trial but once the 30 days are finished you can still use the basic Mind Map tools. www.thinkbuzan.com



3. Read/Write (Gold)

There is a program called Read and Write Gold which pupils have access to at school. This supports pupils with their reading, writing and spelling and will be used by **certain** pupils for their SQA exams. This has to be purchased and for one laptop/PC costs for the basic Read Write £140 and for the Gold version £320. Costly I know!



4. Audio Books

If your child has a specific reading difficulty Mrs Hensby (Room 1-020) can access audio books for free. This would only be for the child specified by her. If your child has a particular book they wish to read they can go to Mrs Hensby and she will try to get this for them.

5. Typing Practice

To enable your child to complete tasks on time, especially assessments and final exams, he/she must have a reasonable typing speed. To practice this there are a number of free downloadable applications available from the internet. Some of these are:-

(i) www.typingweb.com

(ii) www.tearn2type.com

The easiest way is to carry out a google search and find the one you like the best. With some you have to register but they are free!