



Using the Read Out Loud feature

You can use the Read Out Loud feature to read aloud as many pages of an Adobe PDF document as you want. Read Out Loud reads the text in comment pop-ups and alternate text descriptions for images and fillable fields. In tagged or structured PDF documents, content is read in the order it appears within the logical structure. In unstructured documents, the reading order is inferred, unless a reading order is specified with the Accessibility Setup Assistant or in the Preferences dialog box. (See [Selecting a reading order.](#))

Read Out Loud uses the available voices installed in your system; contact your operating system vendor for additional voices on Windows. If you have SAPI 4 or SAPI 5 voices installed from text-to-speech or language applications, you can choose them to read your PDF documents.

Note: The Read Out Loud feature can read the text of a PDF file out loud, but is not a screen reader. Some systems may not support this feature.

To read a document out loud:

1. Open an Adobe PDF document.
2. Navigate to the page you want to read.
3. Choose one of the following:
 - View > Read Out Loud > Read This Page Only.
 - View > Read Out Loud > Read To End Of Document.

To interrupt the Read Out Loud feature:

Choose one of the following:

- View > Read Out Loud > Pause.
- View > Read Out Loud > Stop.

To read form fields out loud:

1. Make sure that Read Form Fields is selected in the Reading preferences. (See [Setting Reading preferences.](#))
2. In the form, press Tab to select the first form field. A description is read out loud.

Note: When you type text into a text field, Read Out Loud doesn't read the new text until you press Tab to exit the text field, and Shift+Tab to reenter the text field.

3. Make entries and selections as needed. Adobe Reader reads the state of selected check boxes and radio buttons.
 4. Press Tab to select each field until you complete the form.
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