# How to get stuff read aloud with Edge

On your PC

## Quick start instructions

### In Microsoft Edge,

- Right-click within any displayed page or PDF.
- Select **Read Aloud**, from the context menu.
- Reading begins.

#### Control and customize reading

- Notice the "bar" above the page. You can pause or skip to another paragraph
  - Use this to jump to the desired text.
- Voice options (on the right).
  - For consistent results, choose an "English" speaker. (Emma is good)
  - For interesting results, try a regional accent. Explore!

#### Other starting points

- Copy a URL from another browser; paste it into Edge.
- Open a PDF saved on your computer
  - Right-click the file. Open with | Microsoft Edge
- Convert a Word doc (or a Google doc) to a PDF, and open it in Edge.

## Benefits of Using Edge

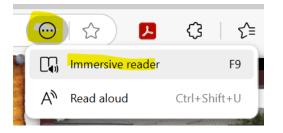
- Choose from 64 regionally-accented "natural" voices
  - Listed by language, then by nation, then by name (female or male)
  - $\circ$   $\,$  Choose a "natural" voice. Avoid the three listed at the top. They are robotic.
  - Some non-English voices read in English; others use a mixture of English and translation.
    It depends.
- It can read HTML or PDF documents
- You can:
  - Pause reading
  - Jump to the next paragraph
  - Go slower or faster.
  - Click where you want to reading to begin. (Not available with Immersive Reading)

- Edge usually lets you clean up the page for "Immersive Reading." See below.
  - Eliminates ads and banners
  - Foregrounds the text
  - Minimizes interruptions in reading
  - In this mode, don't scroll; Jump between paragraphs using the controls.
  - This mode is great for silent reading, too.

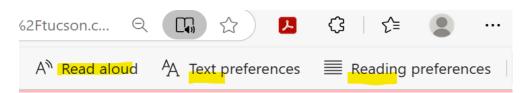
## Try Immersive Reading (HTML only)

#### This option is offered on pages with a clear central text and some busy elements.

- Look at the right side of the address bar.
- If you see this circle icon, click it.



• Click <u>Immersive Reading</u> below. The page will be simplified for reading.



• Click the <u>Read Aloud</u> icon.