



Reader

A reader reads text aloud verbatim without any interpretation, restructuring, paraphrasing, comprehension support, or prompting. A student using a reader may also require the reader to read back their written responses. Alternatives to a reader include text-to-speech technology and/or audio recordings of tests read aloud by instructors.

- Sit so that it's easy for the student to see the exam paper as you read aloud.
- Arrange with the student how they would like to direct you in what to read.
Students may need you to
 - read the whole exam read aloud.
 - read only certain content, questions, or words read aloud.
 - pause or repeat during reading.
 - read the whole paper first and then re-read each question.
 - Point to words or track with your finger so the student can see and hear the words.
- Read clearly, at a steady pace, with intonation, and as accurately as possible.
- Check in with the student to ask if your volume or pace is meeting their needs and make adjustments if requested.
- Remind students that, if requested you will
 - spell a word that occurs in the exam questions.
 - read the student's answer back to them.
- Respect the student's privacy and do not read their exam answers if they don't ask you to.
- Watch your body language. It is easy for non-verbal signals such as facial expressions or stance to demonstrate approval of an approach or answer, frustration or impatience, or concern.
- Ask for feedback at the end of the exam.

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- Interpret, reword, or in any way explain or clarify words, questions, or content in the exam.
 - Use intonation or volume to emphasize or stress words in an attempt to help the student give the correct answer.
 - Give advice on how to approach the test, such as which question to choose, when to move on to the next question, or any test taking strategies.
 - Spell a word that does not appear in the exam.
 - Decode symbols and unit abbreviations (such as saying "centimeter" instead of "cm.")
 - Share any discussions you have with the student outside of the exam setting. It's confidential.