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## I. Note Taking Apps

**Notability** (\$12.99): An organizational and note-taking app with a laundry list of features. Includes note-taking, sketching, checklists, annotations for files, audio recording, and more. Available on the app store.

**Google Keep:** Capture inspiration when it strikes! Keep is simply the quickest way to offload ideas, thoughts, and to-dos without losing focus.

**OneNote:** Type, hand write, draw and clip things from the web to get your thoughts down into your notebook. Use OneNote's flexible canvas to place content anywhere you want. You can even scan hand written notes or pages straight into OneNote then make them searchable.

**Evernote:** Take and organize notes, which can be augmented with links, checklists, tables, attachments, and audio recordings. Basic (free), plus, and premium plans available.

**Quizlet:** The easiest way to practice and master what you're learning. Create your own flashcards and study sets or choose from millions created by other students — it's up to you.

**GoodReader:** Reads PDFs and allows students to annotate them with text and drawings.

**Notes Plus:** Similar to TextExpander but with added features: mix handwriting with text, have close-up windows to draw diagrams for those with lacking fine motor skills.

**PaperPort Notes:** Nuance's notebook app that provides Dragon Dictation along with note taking tools. Highlighting, importing PDF's, drawing/writing, recording audio notes in a notebook environment allows many possibilities for students.

**Prizmo:** Scan and edit text from paper and forward it along.

**SoundNote:** A very handy note-taking app, which tracks and records audio, typing and drawing, complete with a tap-word-to-hear-associated-audio function. Basically a virtual smartpen.

**WritePad:** A note-taking app which allows you to take notes in your own handwriting, then converts them to digital text. Includes a spell-checker, auto-corrector, and shorthand recognition. Available on the app store.

## II. To-do List, Organizational, & Day Planner Apps

**Google Drive, Keep, and Calendar:** Organizational and task management tools.

**30/30:** A really fancy day-planner app for those who have trouble scheduling and timing their day. Comes complete with a task list, a timer, and an easy-to-understand display.

**BugMe! Sticky Notes:** A handy free app for making schedules; comes with alarms, alerts, and a virtual corkboard for personal notes and dates.

**Wunderlist:** A to-do list app, which comes with its own widget that can be viewed by swiping down from any app. Includes a large amount of organizational features such as due dates and reminders, lists and sub-lists, synchronization between devices, and more. Available free on the app store.

## III. Text-to-Speech & Audiobook Apps

**Audible:** Audible, the world's largest source of audiobooks, available as a free app. Allows listening offline and on-the-go, and syncs across devices. Available on the app store with a 30 day free trial.

**GoodReader:** Reads PDFs and allows students to annotate them with text and drawings.

**NaturalReader:** A text-to-speech reading program capable of reading off ebooks and e-textbooks provided by classes or by CAR.. Also reads any other documents you may have, including E-mails, class notes, or even your own words. Available free on the app store.

**Voice Dream Reader:** A text-to-speech app which supports all kinds of document formats, and includes support for e-books and web articles. Features over 50 languages, one free premium voice, audio which continues in the background and while the screen is locked, and a sort of playlist feature for reading material. Available on the app store.

#### **IV. Speech-to-Text Apps**

**Apple voice typing:** Works natively on all iPhone and iPad devices. Just tap the microphone icon on the keyboard.

**Dragon Anywhere:** A professional-grade dictation app. Allows for custom templates, the addition of words not already in its dictionary, on-the-fly document formatting and editing with voice commands, and no limits on time or length of dictation. Available free on the app store.

**PaperPort Notes:** Nuance's notebook app that provides Dragon Dictation along with note taking tools. Highlighting, importing PDF's, drawing/writing, recording audio notes in a notebook environment allows many possibilities for students.

**Ava:** This app allows you to have a friend or group of friends speak into the microphone and have their speech transcribed into text in the app in real time. The free version allows you to transcribe five full hours of speech per thirty days.

#### **\f. Video Communication & Recognition Apps**

**Be My Eyes:** Connects to a volunteer who will describe what the phone camera is seeing for those who are visually impaired.

**Marco Polo:** Keep your conversations alive with videos that don't disappear This app works great for messaging using sign language.

**P3 Mobile:** VR.S (Video Relay Service) app that allows deaf and hard-of- hearing individuals to make and receive VP calls anywhere using a Wi-Fi or a cellular data connection.

**Tap Tap See:** Uses camera and voiceover to tell the visually impaired objects they're seeing in real time.

#### **VI. Augmentative & Alternative Communication (AAC) Apps**

**AutoVerbal ProTalking Soundboard:** An AAC app which offers ways to help nonverbal persons or those with speech impediments communicate, complete with

custom messages, icon changing capability, and even text-to- speech. Plus, it's ten times cheaper than the leading brand.

**iCommunicate:** iCommunicate lets you design visual schedules, storyboards, communication boards, routines, flash cards, choice boards, speech cards, and more. It is customizable to your needs.

**iMean:** Turns an iPad keyboard into a veritable letterboard, complete with word suggestions and very easy typing. Could work as a handy communication aid.

**My Talk Tools Mobile:** Communication with pictures and words, text-to- speech.

**Phonics Genius:** An app designed to help students recognize and distinguish words by sound, in order to learn how to speak. Though intended as a speech therapy app, its bank of over 6,000 words recorded by professionals could prove handy as a free replacement for an AAC app. (further research necessary)

**Phrase Board:** Designed by a nurse experienced with patients who could not speak or found speaking too taxing, this app provides a free AAC communication system.

**Proloquo2Go:** Symbol and word keyboard to communicate. Can create your own words. Could be good for class terms in discussion.

## **VII. Other Apps & Tools**

**Ariadne GPS:** Uses voiceover to create a talking map that tells you your position and the position of streets and locations. Could be good for navigating campus.

**Keeble-Accessible Keyboard:** Allows users with fine motor-challenges, switch users and users with vision impairments to type in almost any app.

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