**Device Borrowing**

For a nominal fee, WATAP has assistive technology devices available for loan. The loan period can be up to 21 days (not including transit time), with a possible borrow extension upon request. This equipment is available to courts and individuals on a first come, first served basis. [Learn more about the borrowing process and fees.](http://watap.org/tryout/borrowing.php)

If you are interested in borrowing a device from WATAP, begin by selecting categories from the choices listed below.

To read about specific products, that may be useful and available to court users click on the name of the device. To borrow the device click “Borrow”, scroll down and click “Add to Cart” on the device you wish to borrow and continue to check out.

* [Hearing](#_Hearing)
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* [Speech Communication](#_Speech_Communication)
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# Hearing

These products are intended to assist individuals who are deaf or hard of hearing*.*

***Audio Enhancement Neckloop w/Pocket Talker***

Personal Amplifier amplifies sounds close to the hard of hearing listener while reducing background noise, making it ideal for use in noisy situations, TV listening, one-on-one communication, small groups, or listening in a car.

Not useful in large setting like a courtroom, may be useful in Jury room – ask the person who will be using it. [Borrow](http://watap.org/tryout/products.php?cat=6)

[***Easy Listener FM Hearing System***](http://www.centrumsound.com/easy_listener.html)

Can be used with hearing aids or as a stand-alone hearing system to help combat background noise, distance to sound source, and/or reverberation that can interfere with clear speech understanding. Easy Listener is one of the most popular personal FM systems and the preferred choice for disabled student services in colleges and universities, court interpreters and tour guides in factories, museums, etc. It should be noted that most over-the-counter headphones and earbuds do not fulfill the ADA requirements for hearing assistance. Neckloop rented separately. *May be used in courtroom, in-line with PA system, more useful in Jury room.* [Borrow](http://watap.org/tryout/products.php?cat=6)

***Neck loop for personal FM system***

Use with hearing aids equipped with a T-coil switch or an induction earphone. Works with any device having 8-16 ohms audio output and a 3.5mm mono jack. An 18-inch cord makes it ideal for adults to use. [Borrow](http://watap.org/tryout/products.php?cat=6)

# Learning, Cognition and Development

**Readers**

[***Kurzweil 1000***](http://www.kurzweiledu.com/kurz1000.html)

Kurzweil 1000TM is award-winning software that makes printed or electronic text readily available to people who are blind or visually impaired. It combines accessibility, communication and productivity tools to ease and enhance their reading, writing and learning experience. [Borrow](http://watap.org/tryout/products.php?cat=7)

[***Kurweil 3000***](http://www.kurzweiledu.com/kurz3000.html)

Kurzweil 3000™ is the comprehensive reading, writing and learning software solution for any struggling reader, including individuals with learning difficulties such as dyslexia, attention deficit disorder or those who are English Language Learners. [Borrow](http://watap.org/tryout/products.php?cat=7)

[***Intel Reader***](http://www.intel.com/corporate/healthcare/emea/eng/reader/about.htm)

The Intel Reader takes pictures of printed material. It then converts it to digital form and allows magnification and/or audio playback.  [Borrow](http://watap.org/tryout/products.php?cat=4)

[***Read Please***](http://www.readplease.com/)

Reads any text that can be seen on a computer screen—all purpose text-to-speech software*.* [Borrow](http://watap.org/tryout/products.php?cat=7)

# Speech Communication

These products are designed to assist with speaking and face-to-face communication for individuals with speech disabilities.

[***Lightwriter***](http://www.toby-churchill.com/)

Lightwriters are text-to-speech devices;the user types a message on the keyboard, and this message is displayed on two displays, one facing the user and a second outfacing display for the communication partner(s). A speech synthesizer is also used to provide speech output. [Borrow](http://watap.org/tryout/products.php?cat=2)

***Ultimate Speech Communication***

A text-to-speech device: the user types a message on the keyboard, and this message is displayed on two displays, one facing the user and a second outfacing display for the communication partner(s). A speech synthesizer is also used to provide speech output. [Borrow](http://watap.org/tryout/products.php?cat=2)

# Vision

These products are designed to assist individuals who are blind or visually impaired. These products typically provide output of information through large print/display, synthetic speech or Braille/tactile.

**Notetakers**

[*Braille Notetakers*](http://www.disabilityresource.uic.edu/viewer.asp?tab=6&label=Braille%20Notetakers)

Braille notetakers are small, lightweight, portable devices with Braille keys for entering information. Braille notetakers are much like a computer, except that they have a fraction of both the cost and the memory. [Borrow](http://watap.org/tryout/products.php?cat=7)

[***Intel Reader***](http://www.intel.com/corporate/healthcare/emea/eng/reader/about.htm)

The Intel Reader takes pictures of printed material, converts it to digital form and allows magnification and/or audio playback. [Borrow](http://watap.org/tryout/products.php?cat=7)

[*Kurzweil NFB Mobile Reader*](http://www.knfbreader.com/products-mobile.php)

The Mobile Reader products can be activated and ready to use with the touch of a single button on the phone. The user takes a photo of the print to be read and the character recognition software in conjunction with high quality text-to-speech will read the contents of the document aloud. At the same time, it can display the print on the phone’s built-in screen and highlight each word as it is spoken. [Borrow](http://watap.org/tryout/products.php?cat=7)

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[***JAWS***](http://www.freedomscientific.com/products/fs/jaws-product-page.asp)

Developed for computer users whose vision loss prevents them from seeing screen content, JAWS reads aloud what's on the PC screen. [Borrow](http://watap.org/tryout/products.php?cat=7)