

## **Comparing Technology for Scan and Read Tools PACER Simon Technology Center 2012**

**The PACER Simon Technology Center has compared the above four scan and read software programs to help consumers and families choose which program best suits their needs. This information is current as of January 2012, but is subject to change. It is not intended to endorse one product over the other. A reminder to always evaluate a program on the features required for the intended user.**

<b>FEATURE</b>	<b>ClaroRead</b>	<b>Literacy Productivity Pack</b>	<b>KURZWEIL 3000</b>	<b>READ &amp; WRITE GOLD</b>	<b>WYNN WIZARD</b>
<b>Product Information</b>					
Vendor	Claro Software	Premier Assistive Technology www.readingmadeez.com	Cambium Learning www.kur3weiledu.com	Text Help www.texthelp.com	Freedom Scientific www.freedomscientific.com/lsg
Version	Version 5.7 for Windows; Version 4 for Mac	Version 13.3 for Windows; Version 3 for Mac	Version 13 for Windows; Version 5 for Mac	Version 10 for Windows; Version 4 for Mac	6
Price	\$295	\$250	\$1395	\$645	\$995
Minimum Windows System Requirements	Windows XP, Vista, and 7; 512MB Ram	Windows XP, Vista, and 7; 512MB RAM	Windows XP, Vista, and 7; 512MB RAM	Windows XP, Vista, and 7; 512MB RAM	Windows XP, Vista and 7; 512MB RAM
Minimum Mac System Requirements	Mac OSX v10.4 – 10.6	Mac OSX v10.4 -10.6, 512 MB RAM	MAC OSX v10.4; 128MB RAM	MAC OSX v10.4 or above; 512MB RAM	Not Applicable
Voices	Windows RealSpeak; Mac Acapela	Windows SAPI 5; Mac OSX Voice Pack	NeoSpeech	ScanSoft	RealSpeak Solo Direct; SAPI 5
<b>General Information</b>					
Customizable Toolbars			X	X	X
Free Demo	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Reading Tools</b>					
Audible Syllable Recognition			X	X	X
Dictionary		X	X	X	X
Masking	X			X	X
Supports MathML			X	X	X
Translator Tool			X	X	
Visual Accommodations	X	X	X	X	X
Voice Customization		X	X	X	X

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<b>Writing Tools</b>					
Concept Mapping			X	X	
Homophone Support	X		X	X	X
Outlines			X	X	X
Spell Checker	X	X	X	X	X
Thesaurus		X	X	X	X
Word Prediction	X	X	X	X	X
<b>Study Tools</b>					
Bookmarks		X	X	Within Daisy Reader	X
Highlighting and Extracting	X	X	X	X	X
Test Taking			X	X	X
Text Notes			X		X
Voice Notes			X		X
<b>Additional Tools</b>					
Calculator		X	X	X	
Daisy Reader		X	X	X	X
MP3 & WAV Conversion		X	X	X	X
Multiple Languages	<b>PC only</b>	X	X	X	X
Multiple Users			X	X	X
Portable USB	X	X	X	X	
Teacher/Parental Controls			X	X	X
Web Reading	X	X	X	X	X
Zone Editing			X		X