

Voice-overs in Macs.

**There is a text to talk in every Apple Mac from OS X Leopard.**

To activate,

- Click on the **apple icon** at the top left of your computer screen.
- A box will open. Drag down to "**System Preferences**" and click on this.
- A window will open. Click on "**Speech**".
- The speech folder will open. Click on "**Text to Speech**" at the top of the window.
- Find "**Speak selected text when the key is pressed**" and click on the box to the left. It should then have a tick in the box.
- Click on "**Set Key**". Another box will flip down.
- Enter a command into this box. You do this by **pressing a key or combination of keys**. I use "control and d". In my box it says, "Control+D". Write down what you have chosen.
- Click on "**OK**".
- When you want a piece of text read to you simply **highlight the text and then press the command** you chose, or highlight and click on "**edit**" from the top menu bar and drag down to "**Speech**" and open "**Start Speaking**".

You can change the speed of the voice by using the Speaking Rate slide bar in the speech window. Press "**Play**" to **hear the speed**.

Also you can change the voice by selecting from "**System Voice**" using the up and down tags to the right. Some are very funny. Press "**play**" to **hear each voice**. You can hear them all by clicking "**Show More Voices**" at the bottom of the pull down voice menu.

This can be used for emails, word and apple documents, PDF files and Internet pages. I use it all the time. It cuts out eyestrain and is a great editing tool.

Do tell friends and use it to listen to my books and web pages.