# Free Tools for Struggling Learners

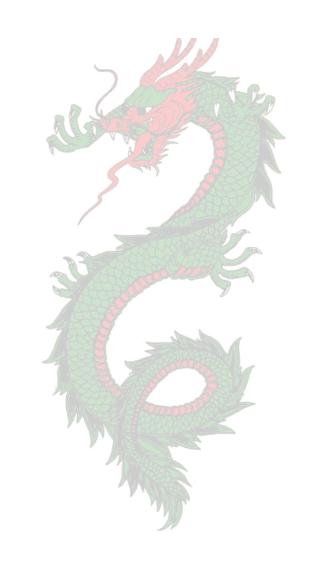
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9.1% 20.9% 14.0% 15-20%



# February 2019 Unemployment (NOT SEASONALLY ADJUSTED) Table A-6 and A-2

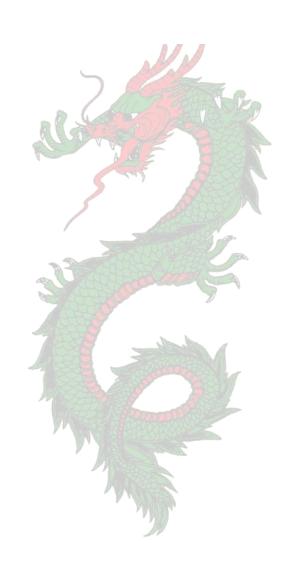
Persons with a Disability

Unemployment Rate 9.1% Participation Rate 20.9%

**Persons without a Disability** 

Unemployment Rate 3.9% Participation Rate 68.6%

- Teenage
- Unemployment Rate 14.0% Participation Rate 32.4%
- **LEARNING DISABILITY** 15-20%





















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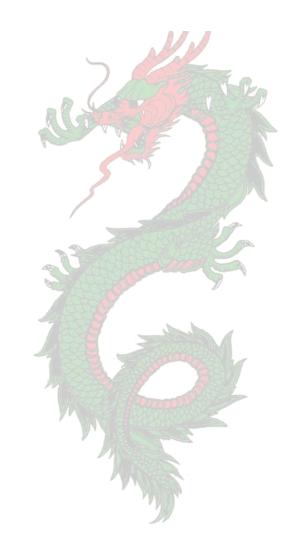
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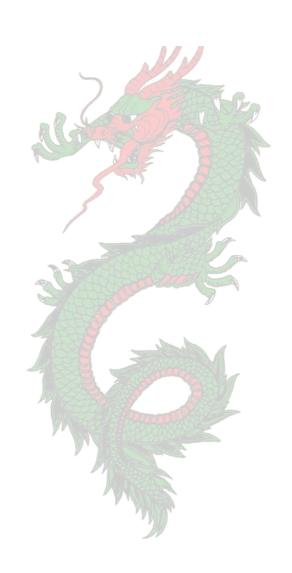
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# Touch the Future A 501(c)3 Non-Profit



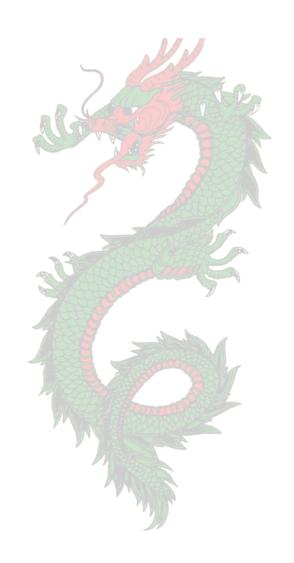
#### Touch The Future Serves

- Individuals
- The Disabled
- Seniors
- Qualified Veterans
- The Disadvantaged



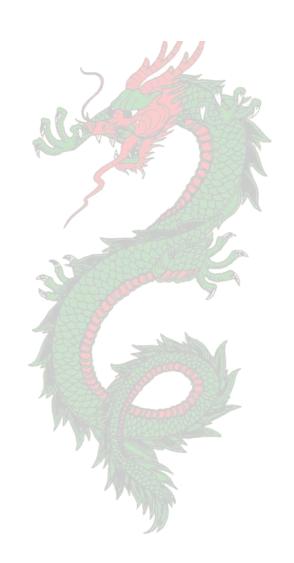
#### Touch the Future Provides

- Affordable computers
- Assistive technology
- Training



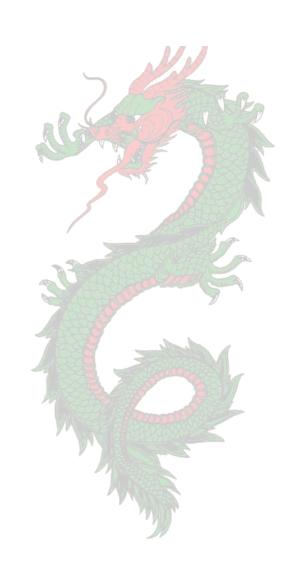
#### Touch the Future Also Serves

- Other nonprofit organizations
- Educational programs
- Others who serve our service populations.



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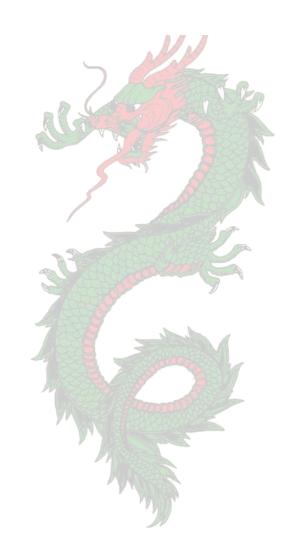
Retired Statistician – US Department of Labor
Adjunct Instructor – DeKalb Technical College
Technology and Training Specialist – Touch The Future
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So what do you do?



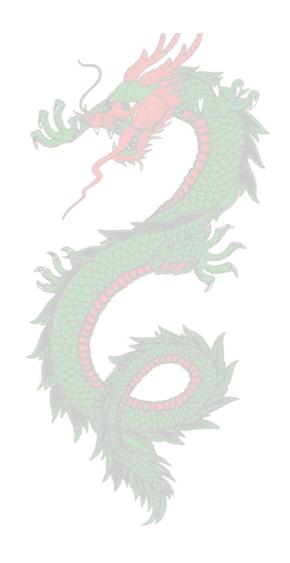


#### **Biases**

Non Apple Cloud Own not Lease

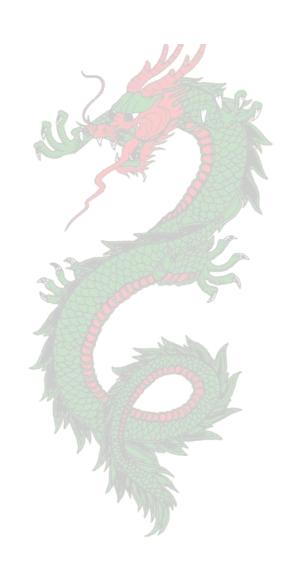


### **Executive Function**



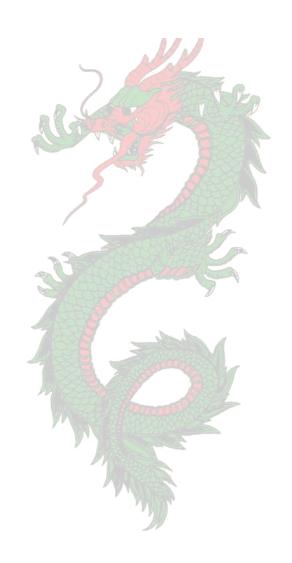
# Skills

- Notetaking
- Writing
- Reading
- Math
- Recall



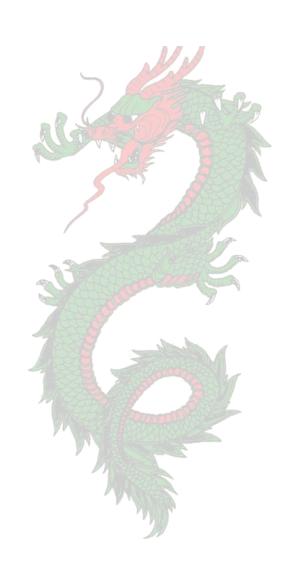
# Notetaking

An Untaught Skill



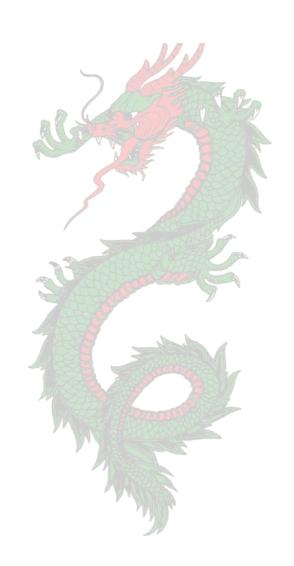
#### Basic Skills

- Preparation
- Pick a Style
  - Outline
  - Cornell
  - Mindmapping
- Review
- BYU Idaho Notetaking Skills Course



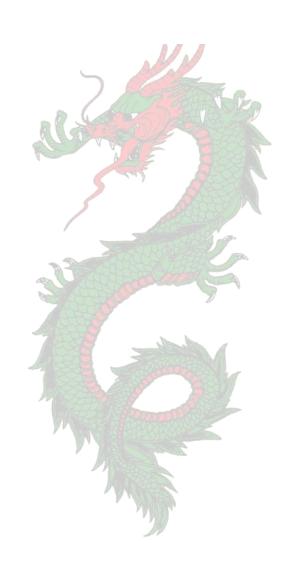
# Writing Issues

- Organization
- Words
- Research



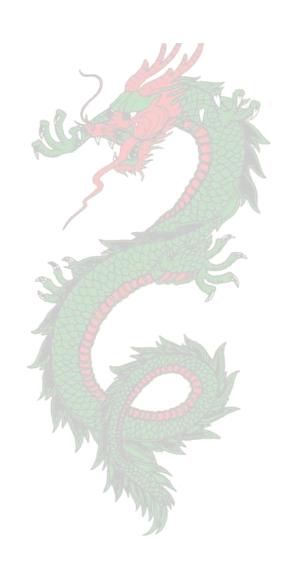
# Reading Issues

- Word Comprehension
- Word Recognition
- Visual Cueing
- Auditory



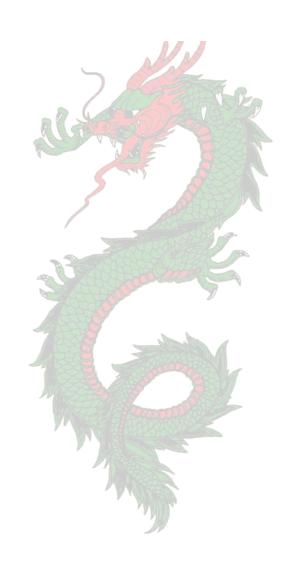
# Recall

- Physical
- Aids



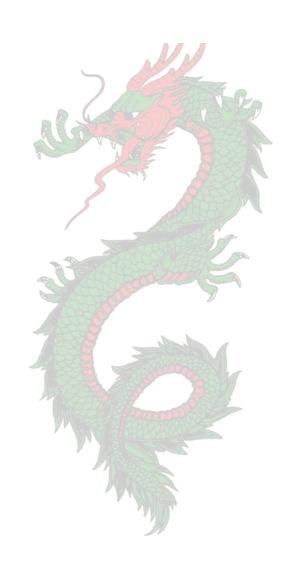
# Physical

- Rest
- Exercise



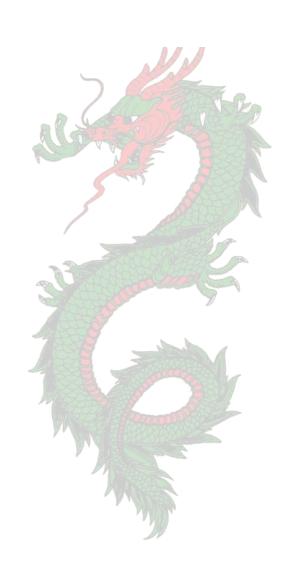
### Aids

- Repetition
- Distributed Learning
- Dual Coding
- Generation Effect



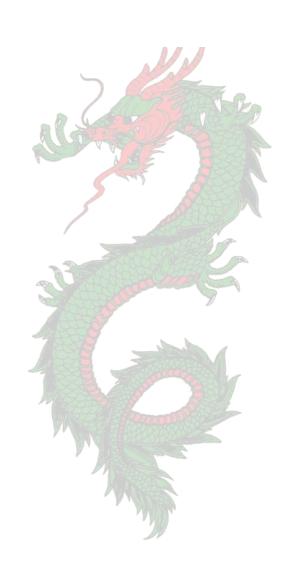
#### **Tools Overview**

- Text to Speech
- Mindmapping
- Speech Recognition
- Dictionaries
- Word Processing
- Playback
- Spaced Repetition
- Math



# Program Features and Use

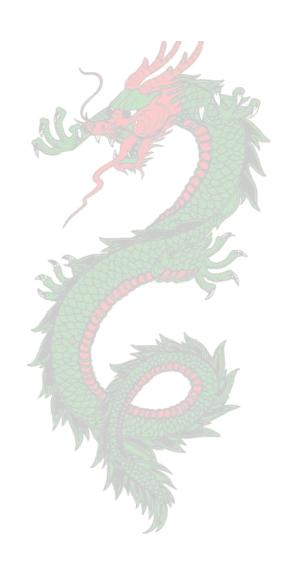
- Balaboka
- XMind
- Windows Speech Recognition/Dictate
- Lingoes
- LibreOffice
- Video Lan Player (VLC)
- Anki
- Efofex Math

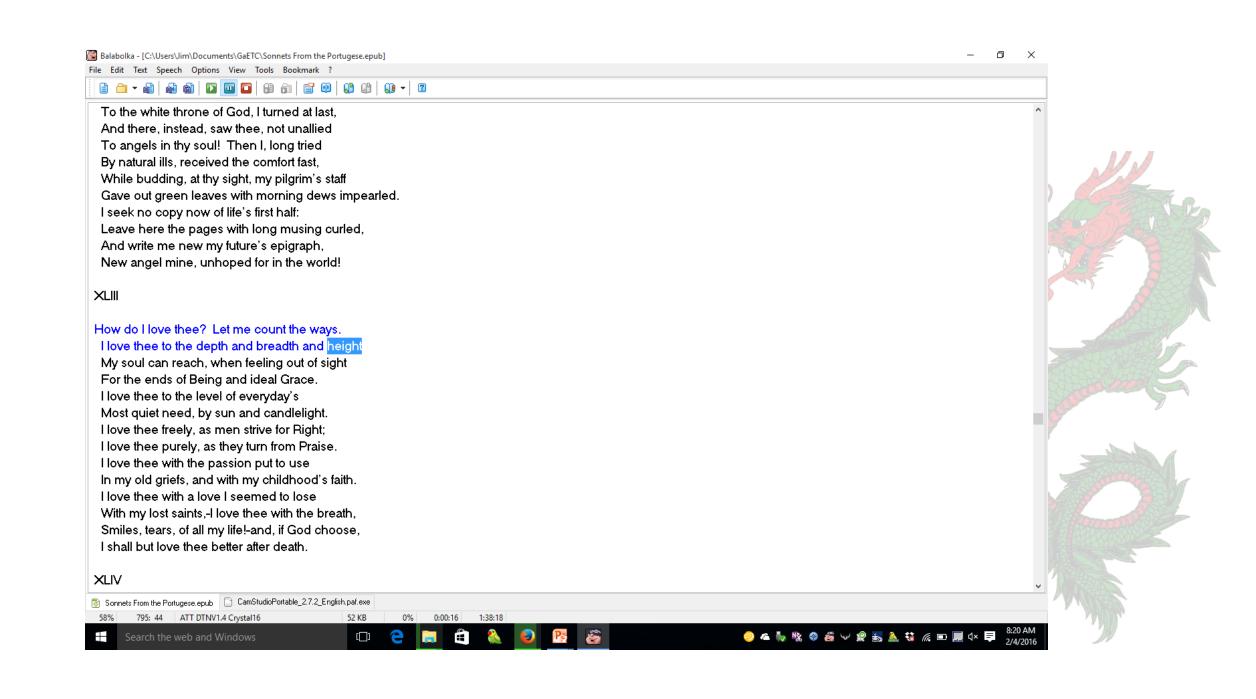


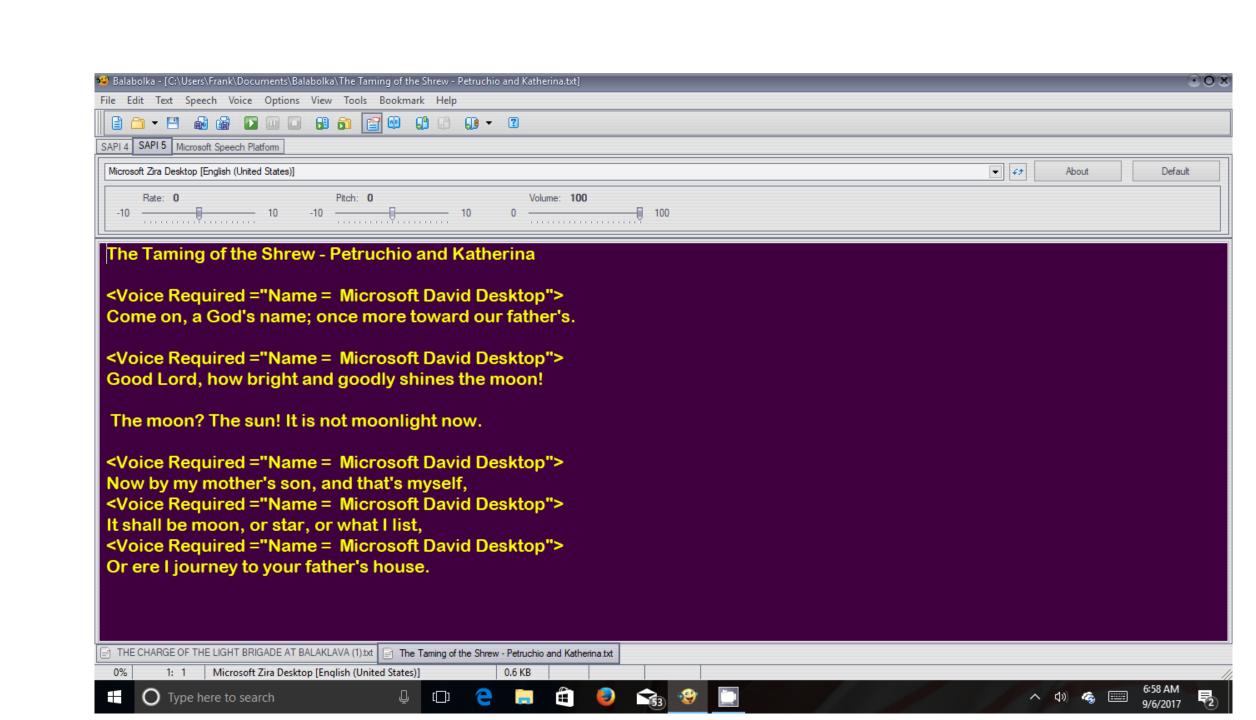
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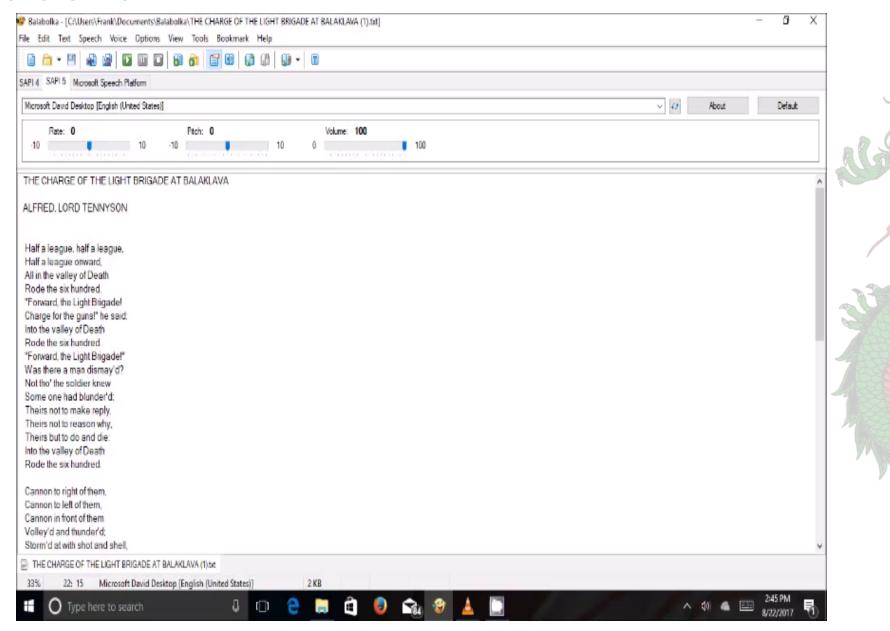








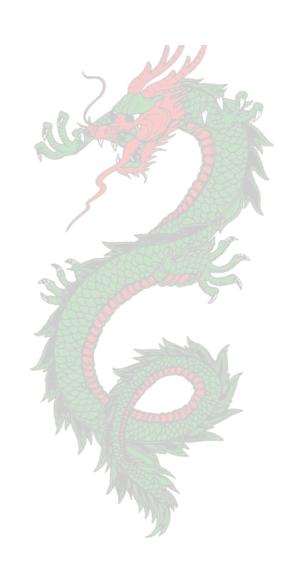
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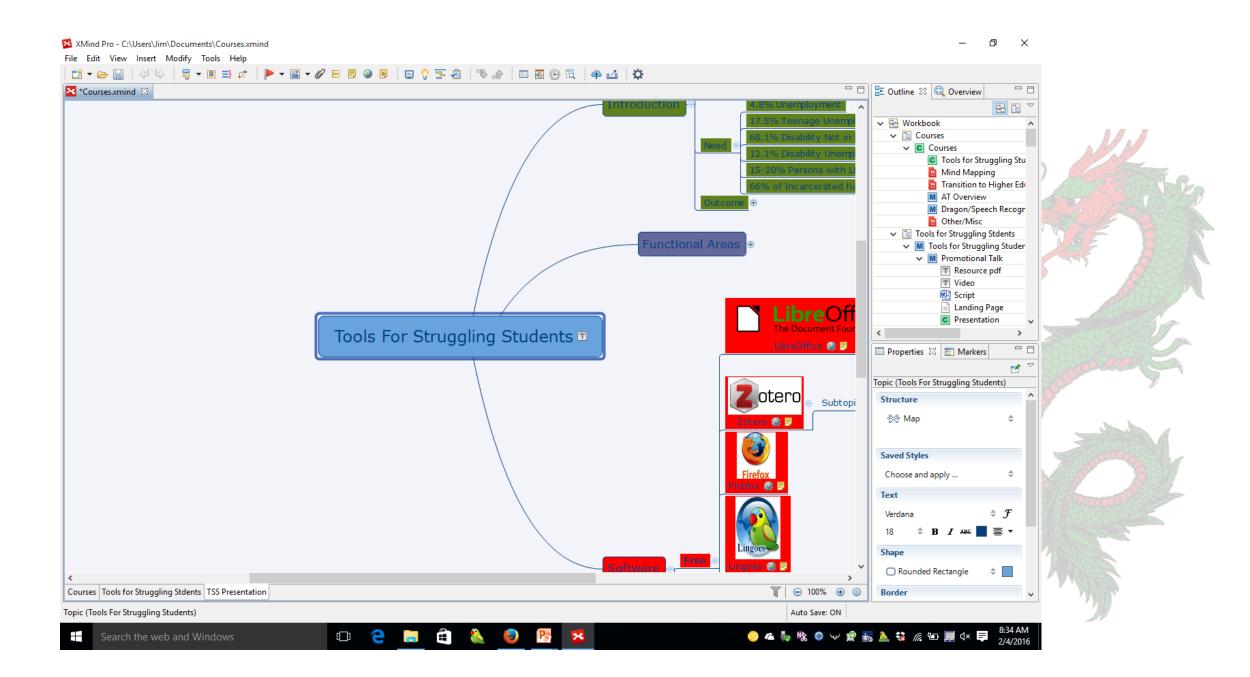


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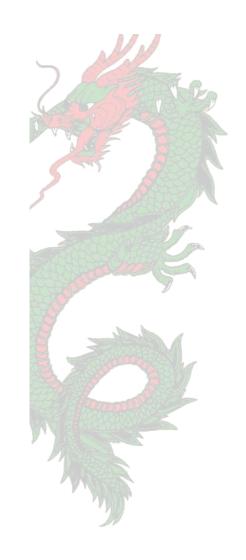




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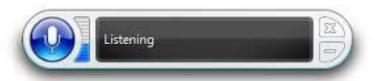
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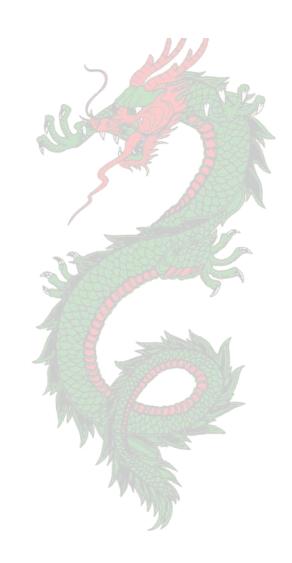
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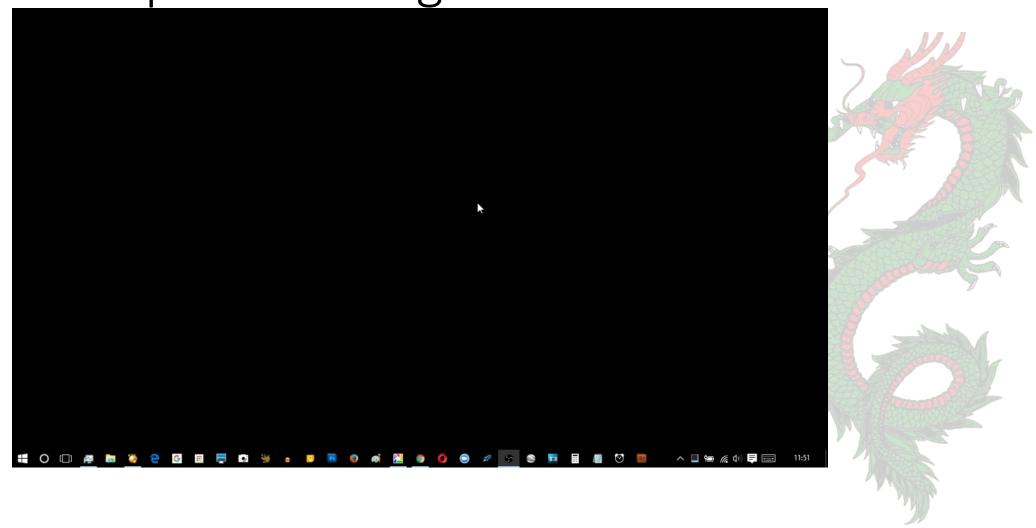
# Windows Speech Recognition

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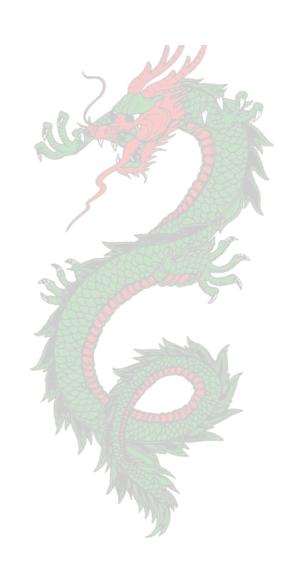
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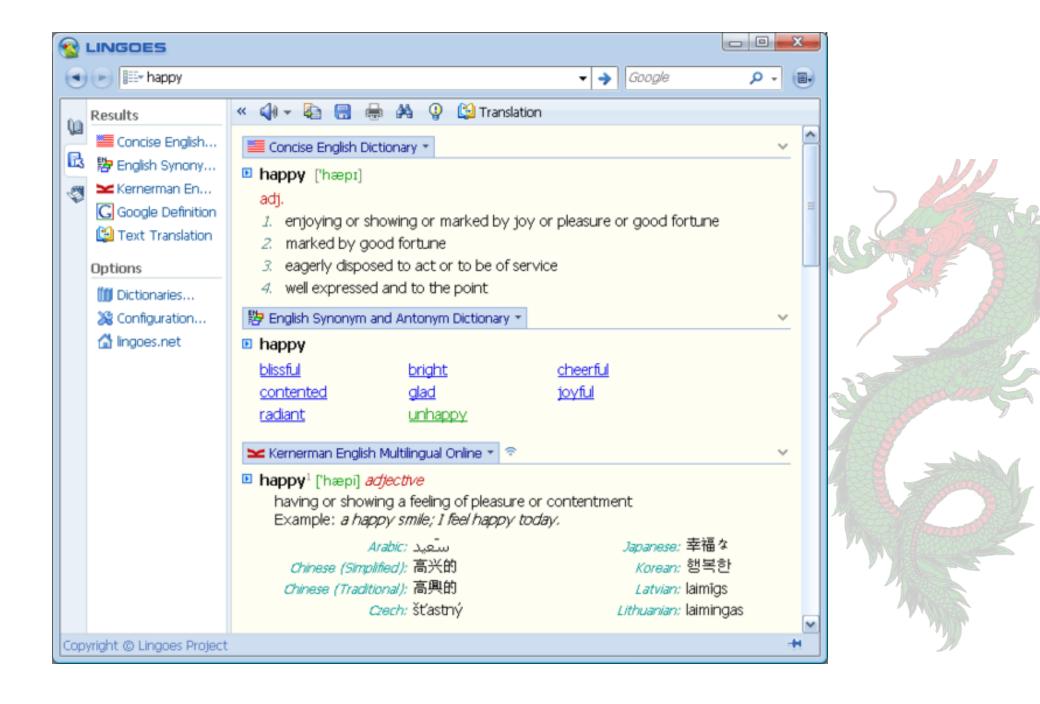


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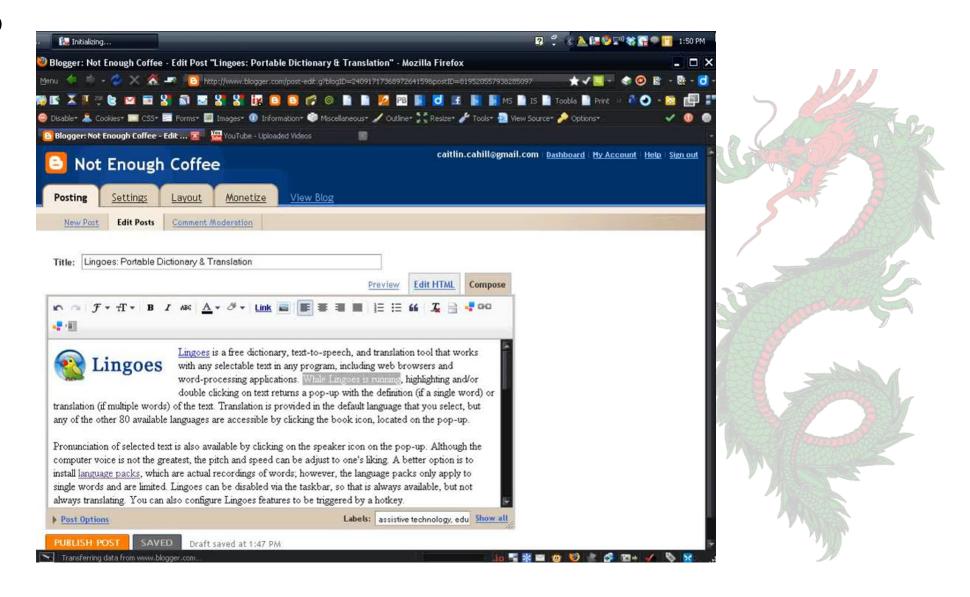
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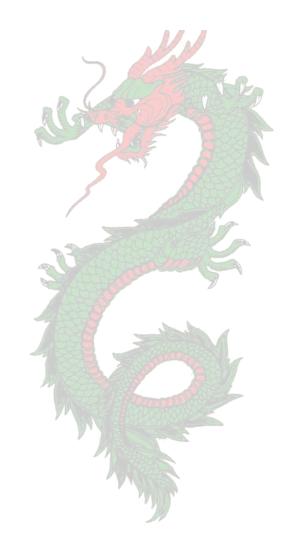
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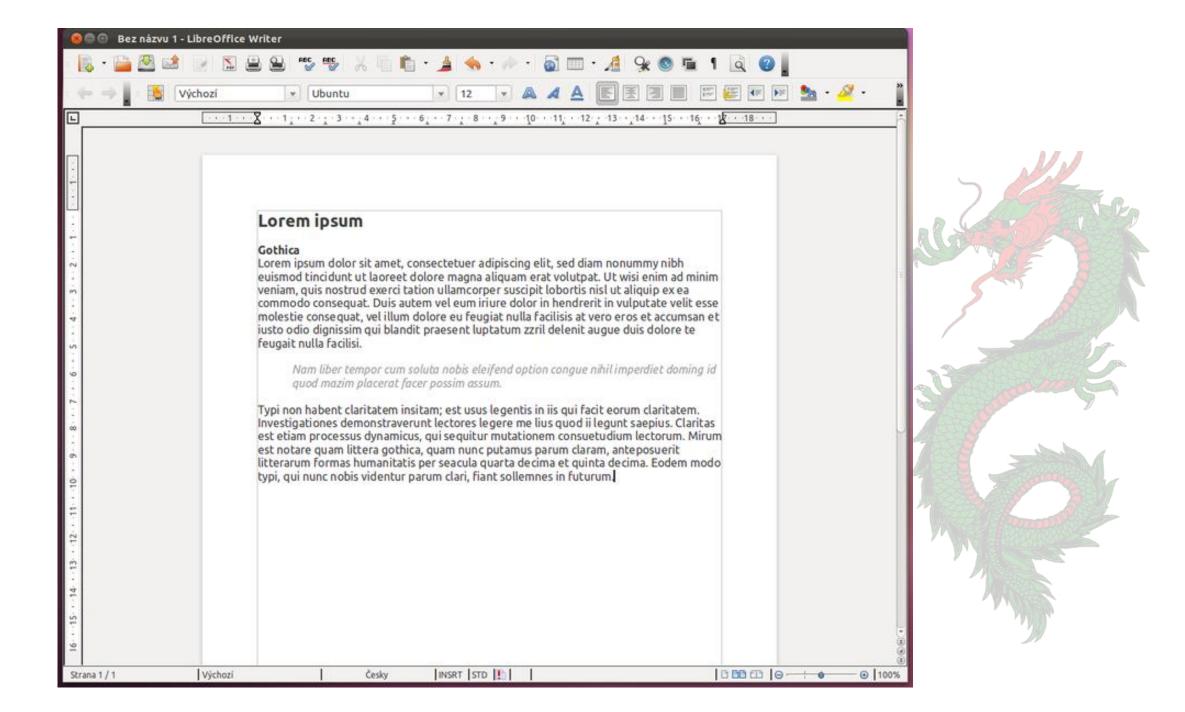


## LibreOffice

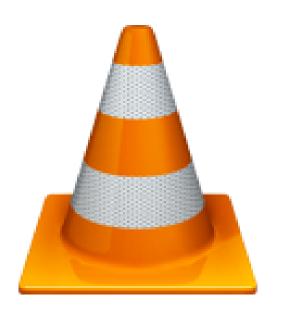
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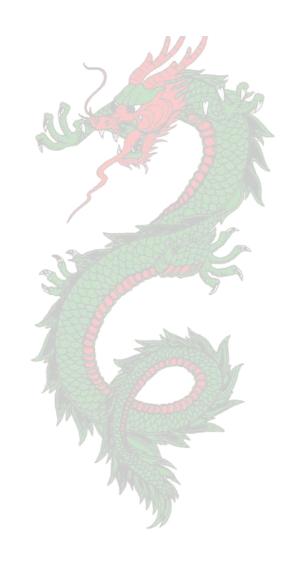


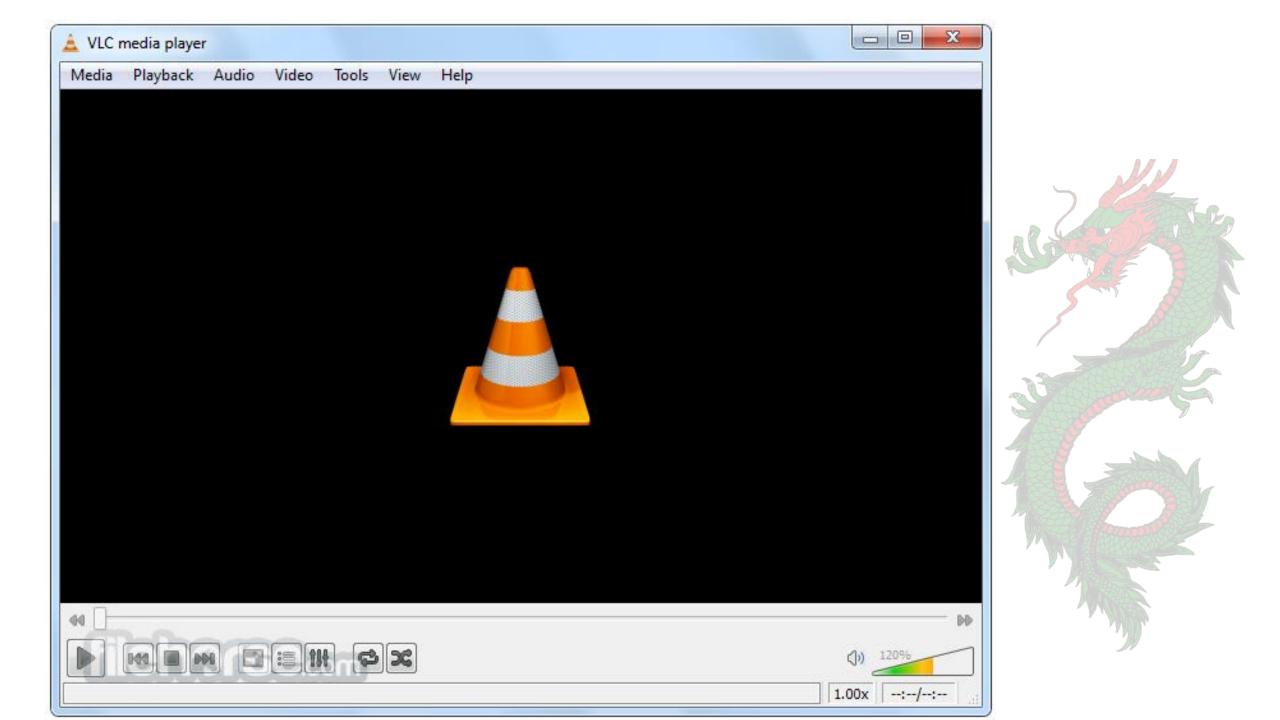




## Video Lan Player (VLC)

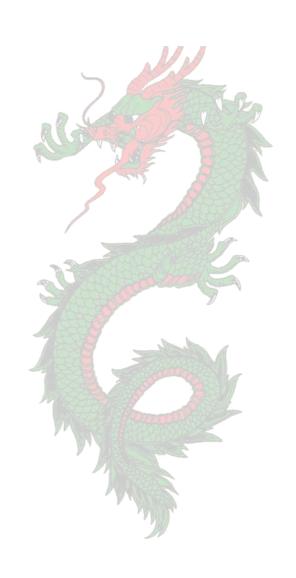




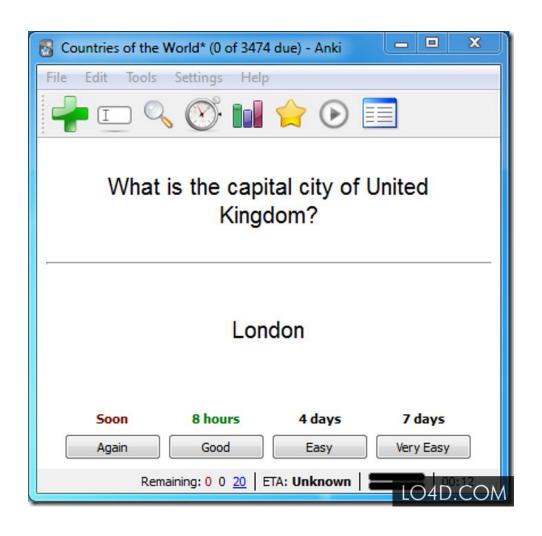


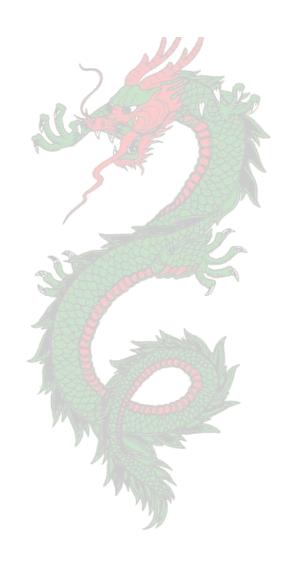
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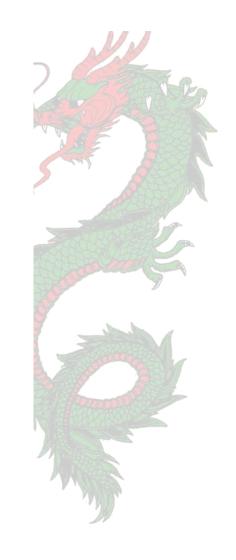


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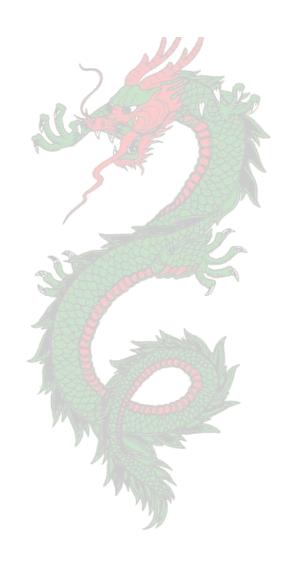




## ANKI



## Efofex



#### **Efofex**

FX Draw - The Original Mathematical Drawing Tool
FX Equation - Astoundingly Quick Equations
FX Graph - Powerful Graphing made Dead Simple
FX Stat - A Statistics Package Designed for Secondary Schools

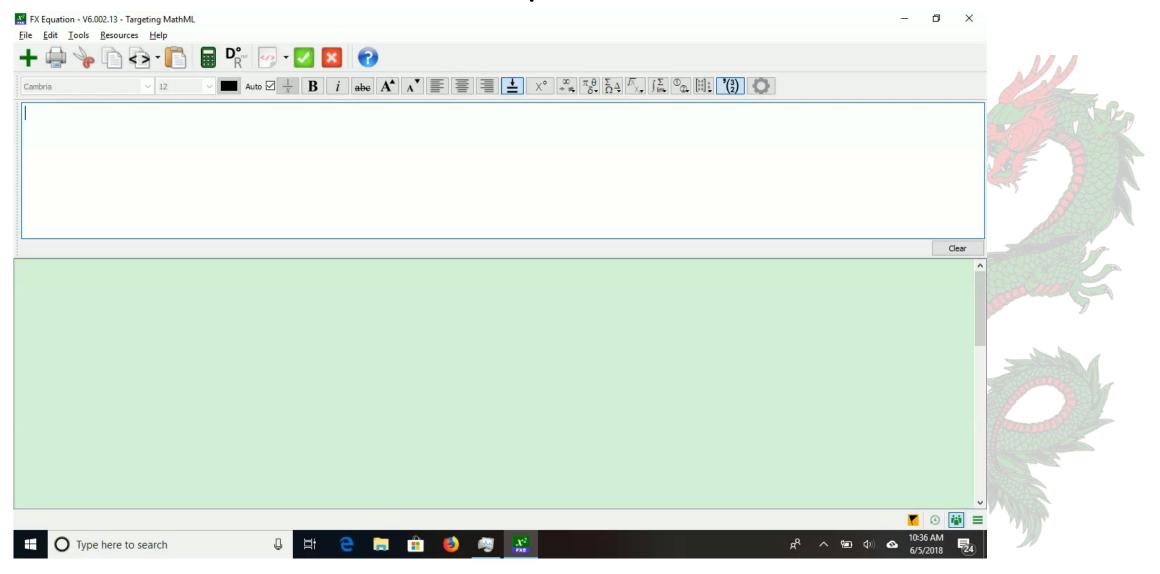
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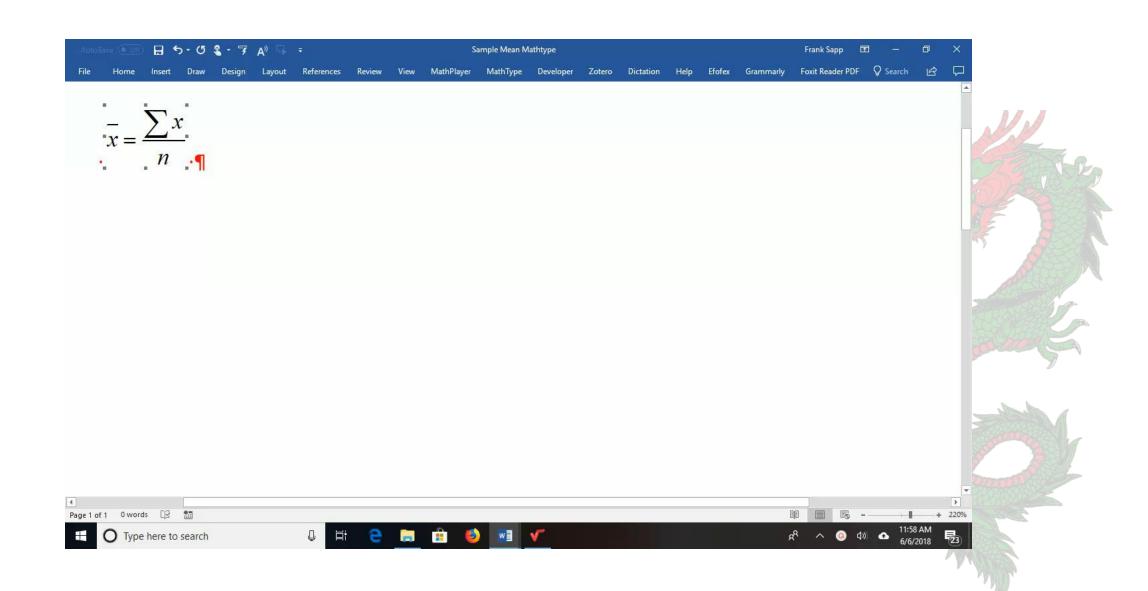
#### **EMPOWER PROGRAM**

Efofex will provide (free of charge) registration codes for all of our production student whose disability makes mathematics and science materials diffiproduce.

Students are provided with a 10 year, personal use licence that allows the to install the software wherever they need it: at school, at home, wherever - providing it is only the student using the software.

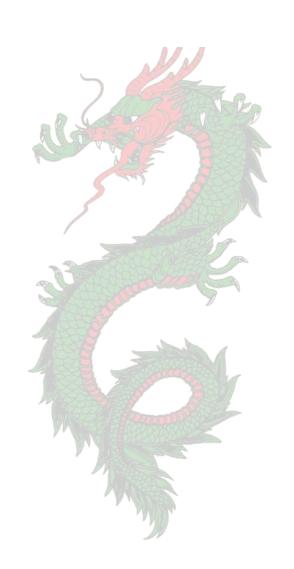
#### **FX** Equation



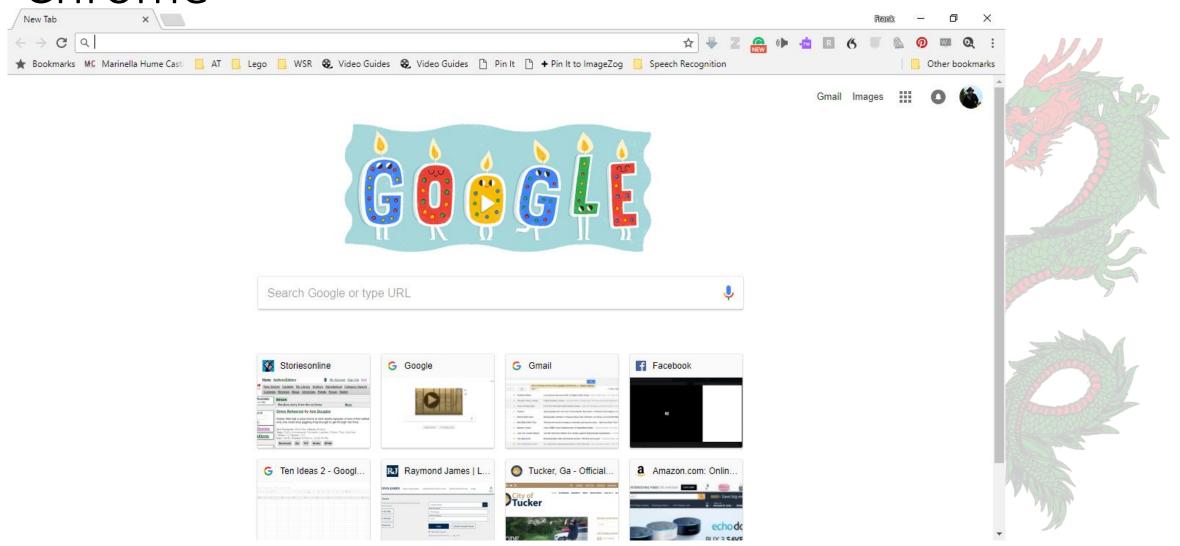


### Chrome

- Transferable
- Plugins/Extensions
  - Read & Write
  - EquatIO
  - Grammarly
  - Text to Speech
  - Google Based

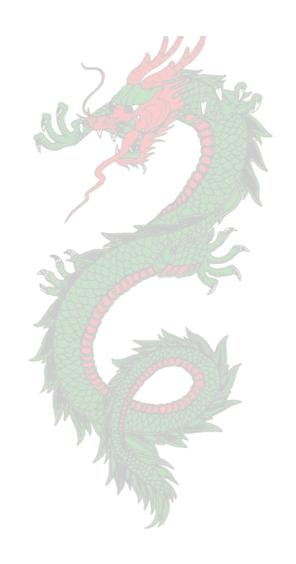


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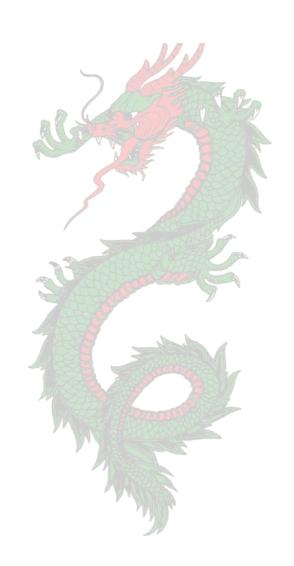
## And the BEST Part

Most are portable\*



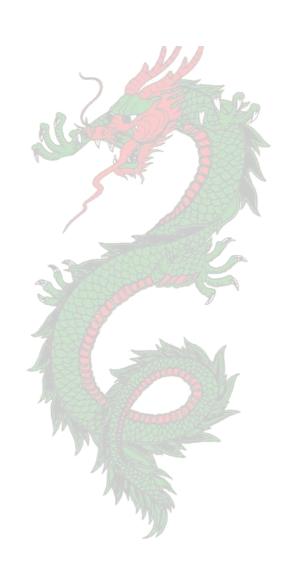
## What Else

- Resources
- Commercial Programs
- Accessible Materials



#### Resources

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- Portable Apps





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