

# Make your Mac Speak Text!

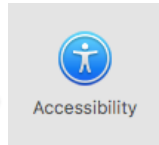
Your Mac can read text right off the screen! Just turn on the OS X's text-to-Speech option.

**\*\* Do this before you start your browser/test.**

1. On the “pcsdtest” user dock you will see the **System Preferences** icon. Click on the icon.



2. Next, click on **Accessibility**

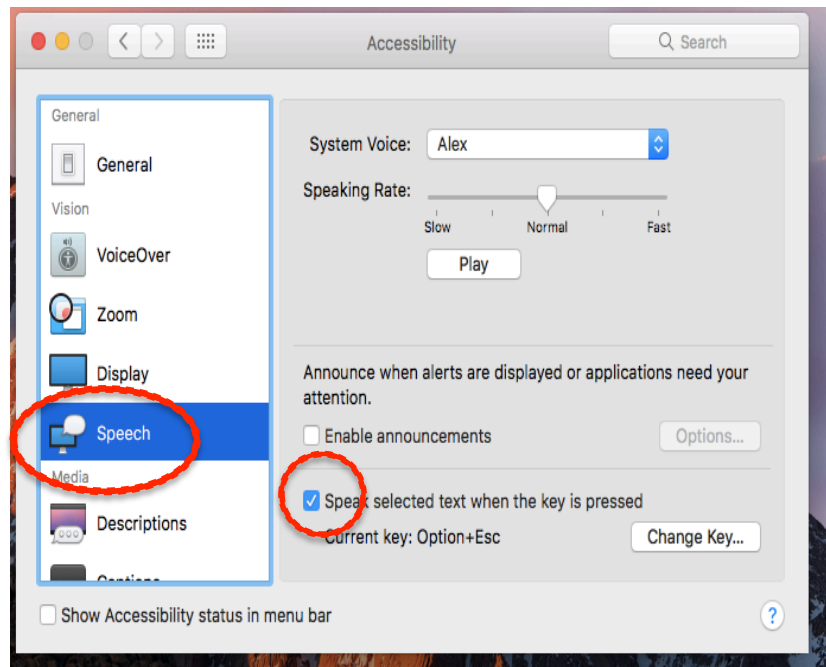


3. Click on **Speech.**

4. If the box **“Speak selected text when the key is pressed”** is checked, uncheck the box and check it again to reset the setting.

If the box is unchecked, please check it to enable this feature.

5. Click on Red dot in the upper left hand corner to close.



- Please don't change the “hot” key. Keep the default “hot keys” **Option-Esc** to activate Text-to-Speech.
- Text-to-speech is enabled when you press your “hot keys” **Option-esc** (two keys at once) .
- To stop the speaking, press the keys again.
- If text is selected/highlighted when you press the your “hot keys” **Option-esc**, only the selected text is spoken.
- Otherwise, available text items in the current window are spoken; for example, if Mail is the current window, an email message is read. If no text items are available, you hear a beep.