

Walk-About Notes

Table Topic (ECC Area): Assistive Technology

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Lesson Ideas: What you might teach, and how you might teach it

- Teach: Hot Keys-Commands to activate/open/close
- Teach: Navigation using the whole screen
- Teach: keyboarding (early)
- Teach: LV device for something fun (see what they want to do)
- Use tech in more functional settings
- Pair with sighted peers (peer tutoring/advocate)
- Start young teaching devices and tech.
- Tell student when it might benefit (or not)
- Play up the tech (show and tell in the classroom)
- Locate Ease-of-Access features in Win 7.
- Don't like to look different (practice in isolation, outside, ease to carry)
- Do motivating activities (functional, self-determination)
- Write IEP together with student
- Classroom teacher (buy in) Science (other students were interested, share with peers)
- Rotate stations in the classroom (became a classroom tool).
- Taught it to others in the class
- Teach early: writing on CCTV.
- Opportunities to share with peers
- Find something that is of interest to student.
- Introduce devices earlier.
- Have a student explain characteristics they prefer.
- Is a reading specialist utilized?
- Diagnosis reading speed (self-document-creating chart).
- Lots of reading/math practice with the devices.
- One-size does not fit all.

Materials: Special materials you might use

- Ease of Access-Windows 7 accessibility
- Servers tend to be a problem-Support from IT and SPED Supervision
- Computer specific access usually laptop.
- Writing Software needed (Clicker 7, E-books)
- Get local sports scores into large print
- Dragon Dictation
- VoiceOver
- Read2Go Bookshare (iPad App)
- iPad (digital books)
- Keedogo (Large Print keyboard app)
- Portable LV devices
- Visio Book
- Talking typer (APH)
- Laptops
- Key-You-See (Yellow keys black letters)
- Explain Everything (presentation app)
- CCTV-big old one
- Di Vinci Reader (voice output video cam magnifier)
- Wacom Writing Pad Intuos on top of computer keyboard Laptop

Resources: Resources you might pull from

- Foundations in Low Vision (Coy Anderson)
- Internet resource (shortcuts)
- ESC's consultation
- Conferences (vendor stations)
- Office of Disabilities on colleges