

Academic and Learning Aids Assessment Toolkit

Writing and Spelling:

Type of Tool		Examples	Featured Tool
Low Technology	Pencil assortment Pencil grips/holders Different colored/kinds of paper Different spacing on paper Bold lined paper Raised line paper Dycem to hold paper Clipboards to stabilize/hold paper Rubber letter stamps Slant board Page holder Book stand Personal vocabulary/spelling dictionaries/notebooks Highlighter tape Writing guides	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • pencils, pens, pencil grips, paper (bold & raised lined), book stand, highlighter tape www.onionmountaintech.com • pencils, pens, pencil grips, paper (bold & raised lined), slant board www.pfot.com • pencil grips, paper (bold & raised lined), dycem www.sammonspreston.com • pencils, pens, pencil grips - office supply stores • highlighter tape www.crystalspringsbooks.com • pencils, pens, pencil grips, special lined paper www.beacon-ridge.com 	
Mid Technology	Hand-held spellchecker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children's Talking Dictionary & Spell Corrector www.franklin.com • Merriam-Webster® Speaking Dictionary & Thesaurus www.franklin.com • Speaking Language Master™ www.franklin.com 	Merriam-Webster® Speaking Dictionary & Thesaurus
	Recorders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Handi-Cassette II www.aph.org • Digital Recorder 	Handi-Cassette II
	Portable word processor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AlphaSmart 3000 www.alphasmart.com • Neo www.alphasmart.com • Dana www.alphasmart.com • Laser PC6 www.perfectsolutions.com • CalcuScribe www.calcuscribe.com 	AlphaSmart 3000
	Enlarged keyboard or keyboard labels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keyboard labels • IntelliKeys • BigKeys 	IntelliKeys

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High Technology	Concept/webbing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Microsoft Word www.microsoft.com • Inspiration www.inspiration.com • DraftBuilder www.donjohnston.com • Kidspiration www.inspiration.com 	Inspiration
	Talking word processing program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Write:OutLoud www.donjohnston.com • Classroom Suite www.intellitools.com • Writing with Symbols 2000 www.mayer-johnson.com • Talking Word Processor www.readingmadeeasy.com • Text-Edit Plus http://www.tex-edit.com • WordSmith www.texthelp.com • Read & Write www.texthelp.com • Clicker 4 www.cricksoft.com 	Write:OutLoud
	Word prediction program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Co:Writer 4000 www.donjohnston.com • Read & Write, WordSmith www.texthelp.com • Aurora 2000 www.aurora-systems.com • Word Q www.wordq.com • SoothSayer www.ahf-net.com • Predictor Pro (Premier Assistive Technology) www.readingmadeeasy.com 	Co:Writer 4000
	Electronic worksheet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PaperPort Deluxe 11 www.scansoft.com • OmniForm www.scansoft.com 	PaperPort Deluxe
	Advanced reading and writing aids	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kurzweil 3000 www.kurzweiledu.com • WYNN www.freedomscientific.com • Read & Write Gold www.texthelp.com 	Kurzweil 3000
	Voice Recognition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Microsoft XP Speech Recognition • Dragon Naturally Speaking Preferred www.scansoft.com • MacSpeech Dictate www.macspeech.com 	Dragon Naturally Speaking Preferred

Reading:

Type of Tool		Examples	Featured Tool
Low Technology	Reading window Bar magnifier Colored overlays Colored filter strips	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • reading window, bar magnifier, colored overlays www.onionmountaintech.com • colored overlays www.nrsi.com • EZC Reader strips www.reallygoodstuff.com 	Reading window Bar magnifier Colored overlays Colored filter strips
Mid Technology	Hand-held spellchecker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Children's Talking Dictionary & Spell Corrector www.franklin.com • Merriam-Webster® Speaking Dictionary & Thesaurus www.franklin.com • Reading Pen II www.franklin.com • Speaking Language Master™ www.franklin.com 	Merriam-Webster® Speaking Dictionary & Thesaurus
	Recorders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Handi-Cassette II www.apf.org • Digital Recorder – office supply store 	Handi-Cassette II
High Technology	Talking word processing program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Write:OutLoud www.donjohnston.com • Classroom Suite www.intellitools.com • Writing with Symbols 2000 www.mayer-johnson.com • Cast eReader www.donjohnston.com • Talking Word Processor www.readingmadeeasy.com • Text-Edit Plus http://www.tex-edit.com • WordSmith www.texthelp.com • Read & Write www.texthelp.com • Clicker 4 www.cricksoft.com 	Write:OutLoud
	Text reader	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ReadPlease www.readplease.com • Talking Buddy www.talkingbuddy.com 	ReadPlease
	Advanced reading and writing aids	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kurzweil 3000 www.kurzweiledu.com • WYNN www.freedomscientific.com • Read & Write Gold www.texthelp.com 	Kurzweil 3000

Math:

Type of Tool		Examples	Featured Tool
Low Technology	Graph paper Reading window Bar magnifier Colored filter strip Colored overlays Flip chart, quick study guides Adapted ruler	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graph paper – office supply store Reading window, bar magnifier www.onionmountaintech.com EZC Reader strips www.reallygoodstuff.com Colored overlays www.nrsi.com, www.onionmountaintech.com Flip charts, Quick Study www.amazon.com 	Graph paper Reading window Bar magnifier Colored filter strip Colored overlays Flip chart, quick study guides
Mid Technology	Calculator Talking calculator Computer based on-screen calculator Money Calc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Talking Desktop Calculator www.independentliving.com Big Calc www.donjohnston.com Moffsoft FreeCalc www.moffsoft.com 	Talking Desktop Calculator
High Technology	Electronic math worksheet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MathPad www.intellitools.com MathPad Plus www.intellitools.com Equation Editor 	MathPad MathPad Plus

Study and Organization:

Type of Tool		Examples	Featured Tool
Low Technology	Print or picture schedule	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agenda, calendar office supply stores Teacher created picture schedule 	
Mid Technology	Electronic organizer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Personal digital assistant (PDA) office supply stores 	PDA
	Recording device	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Digital recorder office supply stores StepPAD www.attainmentcompany.com 	StepPAD
	Timers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Time Timer www.onionmountaintech.com Talking Watches www.independentliving.com 	Time Timer
High Technology	Computer based organizer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Microsoft Word www.microsoft.com Microsoft Outlook www.microsoft.com PDA software comes with PDA 	