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TECH Tips - 3 Tech Tips for an iDevice

Guided Access

Guided Access helps people with autism or other attention and sensory challenges stay focused on the task (or app) at hand. With Guided Access, a parent, teacher, or therapist can limit an iOS device to stay on one app by disabling the Home button, and limit the amount of time spent in an app. You can even restrict access to the keyboard or touch input on certain areas of the screen. So wandering taps and gestures won't distract from learning.

Tap Settings > General > Accessibility > Guided Access to set up Guided Access

Speak Select and Speak Screen

If you have a hard time reading the text on your iOS device, use Speak Screen to read your email, iMessages, web pages, and books to you. Turn on Speak Screen and swipe down from the top with two fingers, or just tell Siri to Speak Screen and have all the content of the page read back to you. You can adjust the voice's dialect and speaking rate, and have words highlighted as they're being read.

Tap Settings > General > Accessibility > Speech > Speak Selection

Read with Fewer Distractions

Use Safari Reader to reduce the visual clutter — like ads and buttons — on some web pages so you can focus on whatever you're reading. Just tap the lined paragraph icon next to the web address in Safari. It strips away ads, buttons, and navigation bars, allowing you to focus on just the content you want. And Safari Reader works with Speak Selection and VoiceOver, to provide auditory reinforcement for what you're seeing.