

# Voice Selections for Text-to-Speech

The Questar Secure Browser and Nextera Test Delivery System support use of the default voice pack on the student's device. However, students using Text-to-Speech technology may have preferred voice selections or voice packs that differ from the default voice. Use the following steps and resources to change the voice pack on the device. Please refer to the Setup and Installation Guide for a complete list of recommended voice packs.

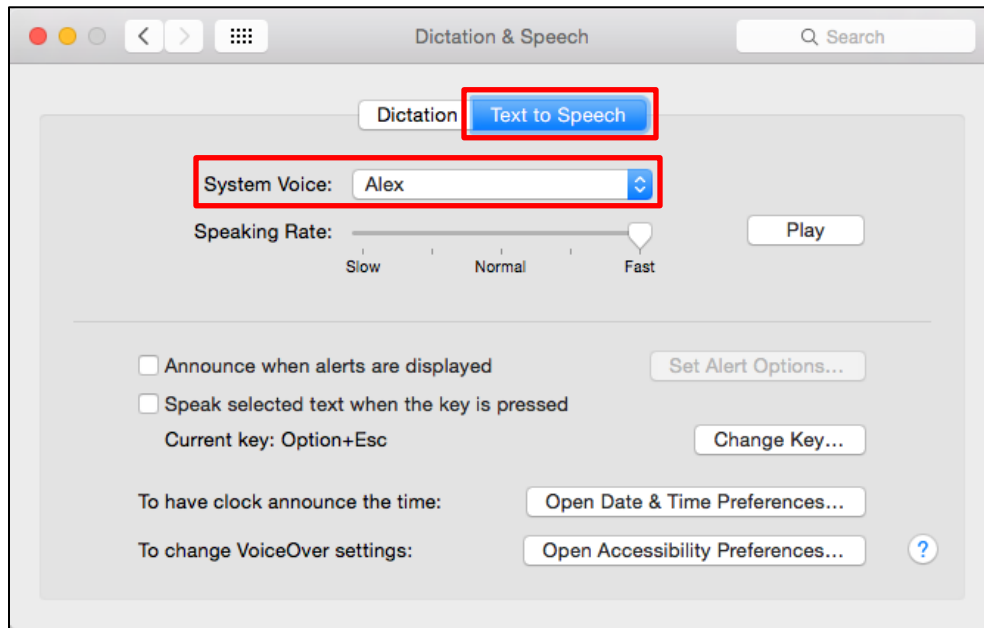
## Mac

To configure Text-to-Speech settings for Mac OS X:

1. Click on the **Apple** icon.
2. In the dropdown menu, select **System Preferences**.
3. Select **Speech** or **Dictation & Speech**.



4. Select **Text to Speech**: it will highlight in blue when selected.
5. Select the desired voice from the System Voice dropdown menu.
6. Click **Play** to hear a brief audio sample of the selected voice.
7. Click the red circle at the top left to save and close.



Questar's recommended voice packs for Mac and iPad:

	Female voice	Male voice
Mac (pre-installed)	Vicki	Alex
Mac (pre-installed)	Ava	Tom
Mac (pre-installed)	Allison	
Mac (pre-installed)	Samantha	
Mac (pre-installed)	Susan	

For detailed instructions regarding other operating systems, use the links below.

Mac OS Sierra: [https://support.apple.com/kb/PH25378?viewlocale=en\\_US&locale=en\\_US](https://support.apple.com/kb/PH25378?viewlocale=en_US&locale=en_US)

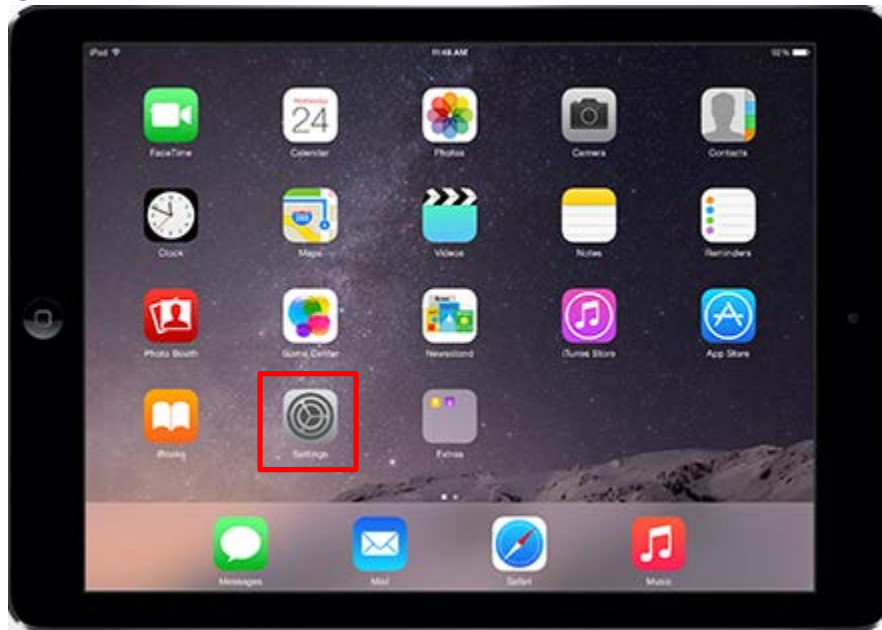
OS X Yosemite: [https://support.apple.com/kb/PH18734?locale=en\\_US](https://support.apple.com/kb/PH18734?locale=en_US)

OS X El Capitan: [https://support.apple.com/kb/PH21847?viewlocale=en\\_US&locale=en\\_US](https://support.apple.com/kb/PH21847?viewlocale=en_US&locale=en_US)

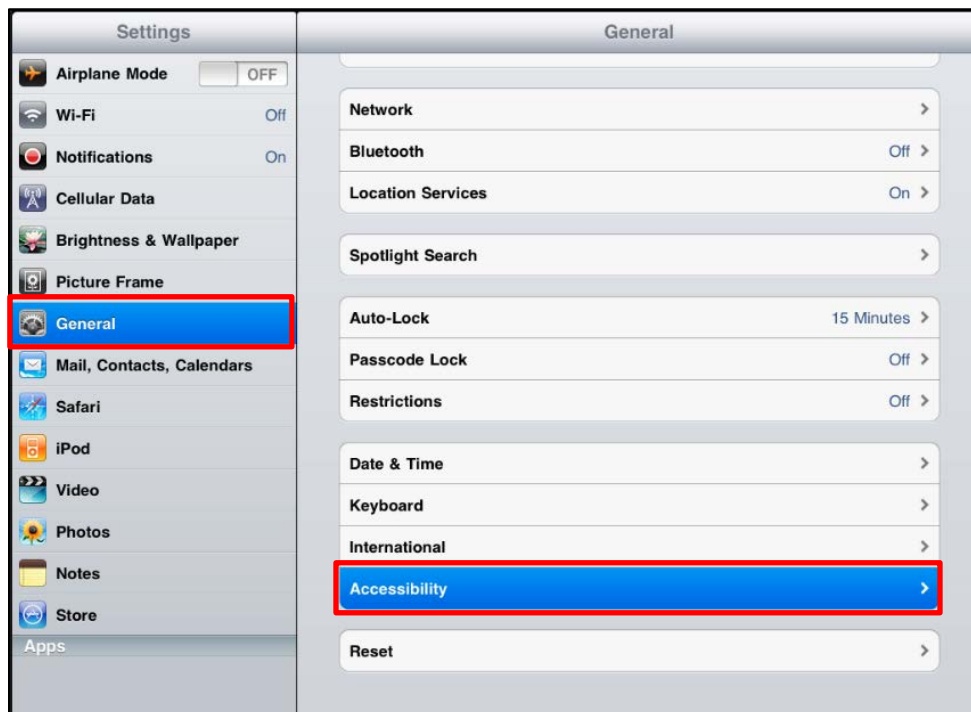
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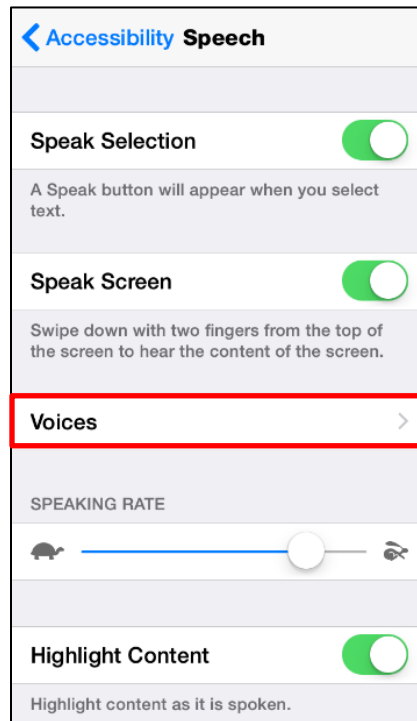
1. Tap **Settings**.



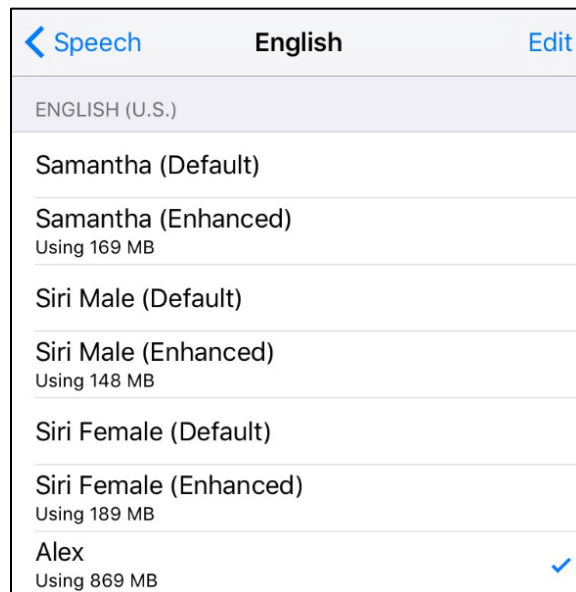
2. Tap **General**, then **Accessibility**.



3. Tap **Speech**, then **Voices**.



4. Tap **English**, and then select a voice from the listed options.



5. Select the iPad **home** button to save and close.

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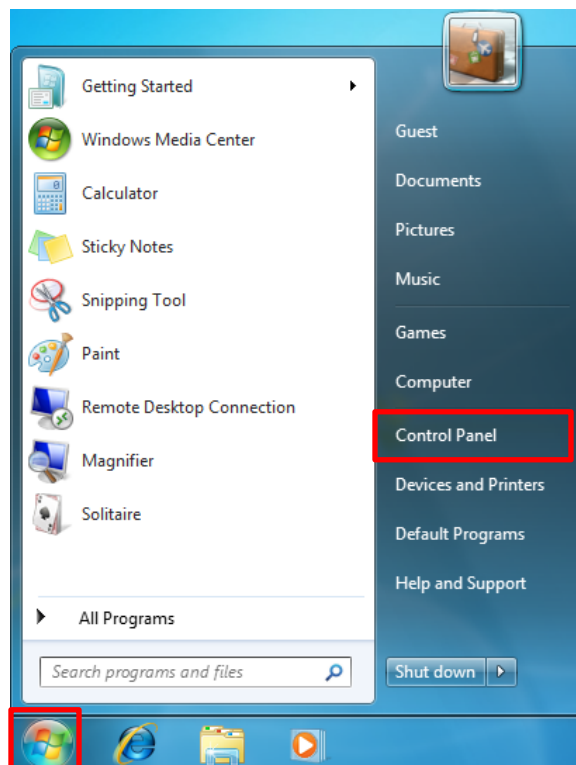
iPad resources: <https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT202362>

or <https://support.apple.com/en-us/HT203077> (Alex)

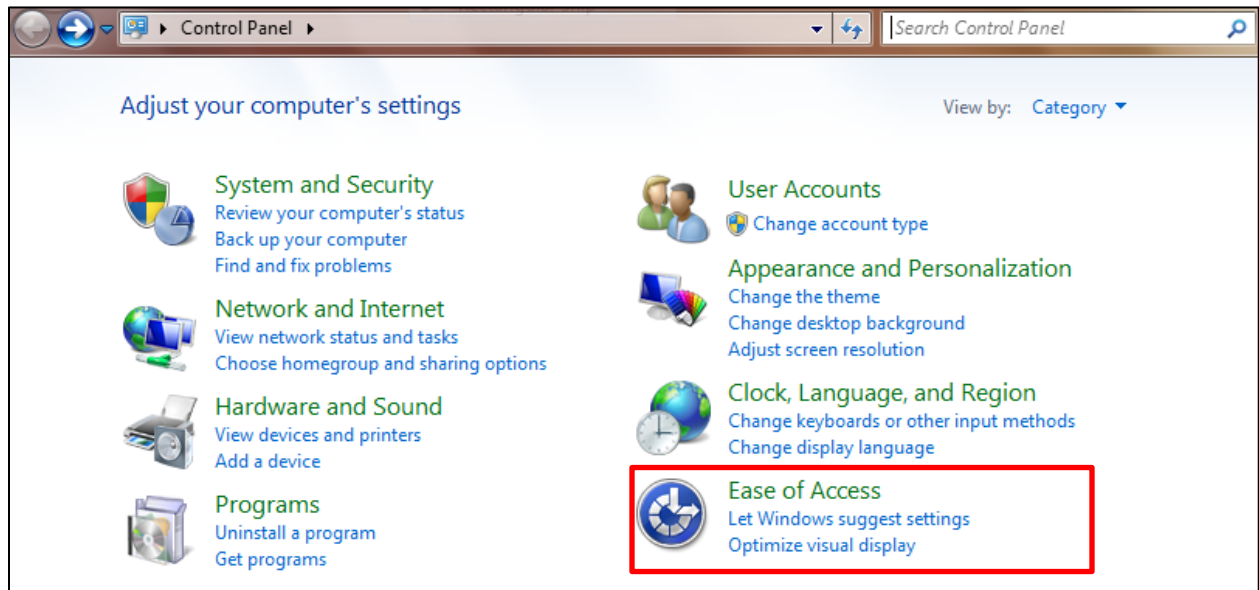
## Windows

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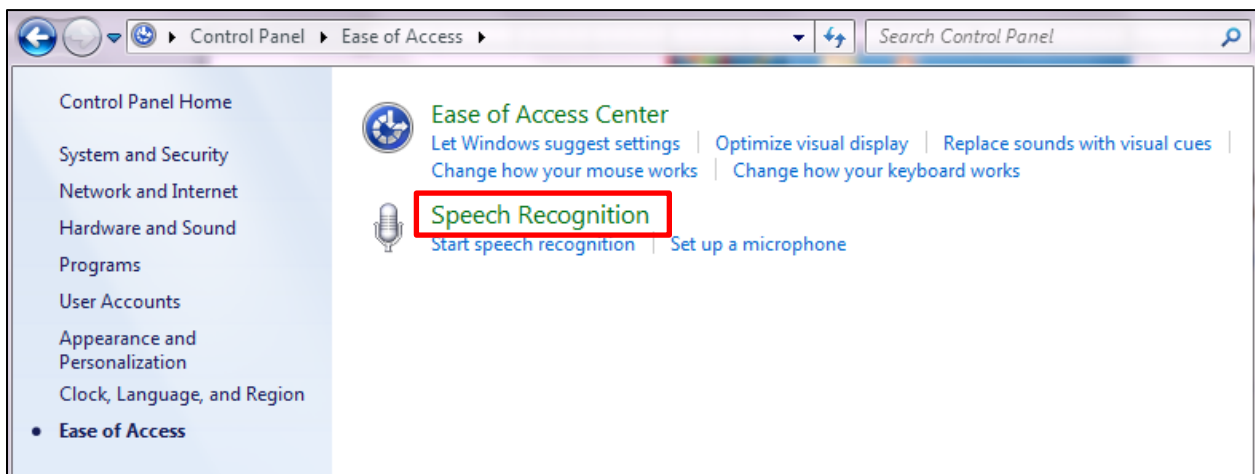
1. From the Start menu, select **Control Panel**.



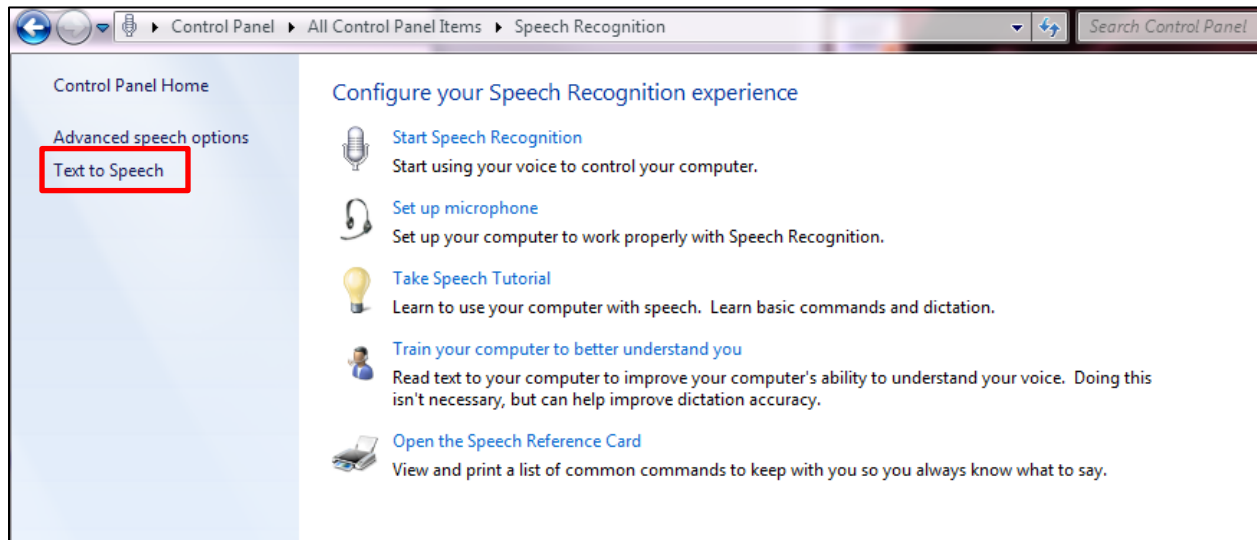
## 2. Select **Ease of Access**.



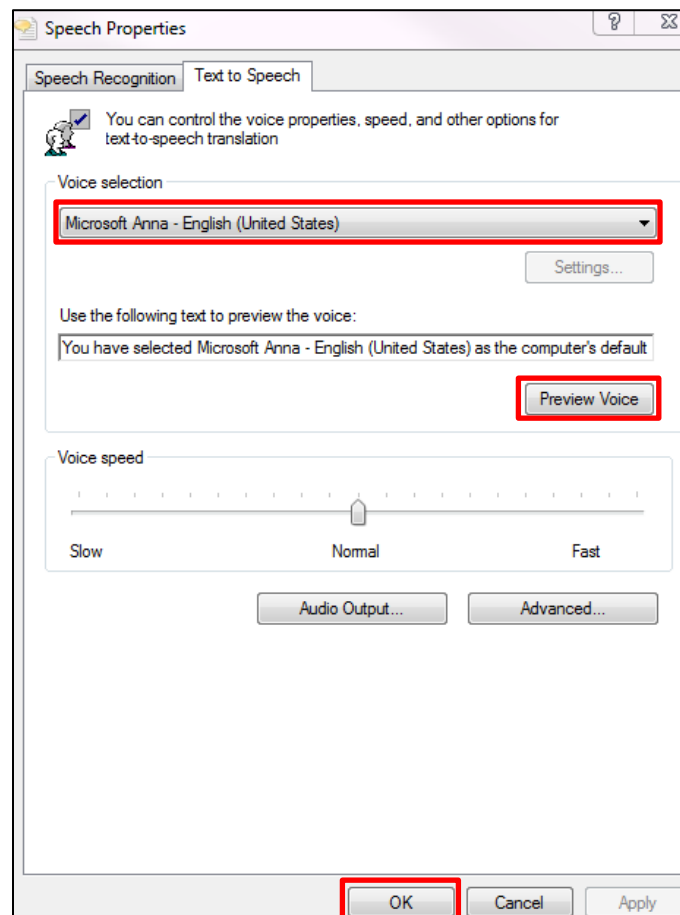
## 3. Select **Speech Recognition**.



#### 4. Select **Text to Speech**.



5. Select a voice from the Voice Selection dropdown menu.
6. Select **Preview Voice** to hear a brief audio sample of the selected voice.
7. Select **OK** or **Apply** to save.



Questar's recommended voice packs for Windows:

Windows 7 (pre-installed)	MSAnna
Windows 8.1 & 10 (pre-installed)	MS_EN-US_David
Windows (pre-installed)	MS_EN-US_Zira

Windows 7: <https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/help/14199/windows-7-setting-speech-option>

## Chromebook

Chromebook has one default voice, but the rate and pitch can be adjusted. See the link below for details.

Chromevox: [http://www.chromevox.com/16/voice\\_control.html](http://www.chromevox.com/16/voice_control.html)

Accessibility features:

[https://support.google.com/chromebook/answer/177893?hl=en&ref\\_topic=6323347](https://support.google.com/chromebook/answer/177893?hl=en&ref_topic=6323347)