



Kurzweil 1000™

Version 12

by Kurzweil Educational Systems®

All Ages

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Features and Benefits

Kurzweil 1000 is award-winning software that makes printed or electronic text accessible to people who are blind or visually impaired. It incorporates communication and productivity tools to ease and enhance the reading, writing, and learning experience.

The software speaks text aloud in a variety of natural-sounding voices that can be modified to individual preferences. In addition, the software gives users the ability to write and edit documents, and to complete simple forms independently. It includes features for note taking, summarizing content, and outlining text.

Kurzweil 1000 delivers quick access to virtually any content, including online books, magazines, dictionaries, and encyclopedias, so readers can pursue the interests they want. They can also take their reading wherever they go by sending files to Braille note takers and embossers, and to portable devices such as DAISY and MP3 audio players.

Kurzweil 1000 is easy to use for beginners, yet powerful and flexible for advanced users. Its wide array of features will save users time and help them gain independence—whether at home, at school, or at work.

Kurzweil 1000 Version 12 Highlights

- **A New User Wizard** - Topic-based mini tutorials to help new users get started quickly.
- **Dictionary Tools** - The new Pronounce button speaks the word, while the Anagram button finds all anagrams associated with the word.
- **Three Image Viewing Modes** - Show image for maximized display and continuous reading and paging functions, show both image and text for split screen, or hide image for text-only display.
- **Document sending** - Kurzweil 1000 v12 now supports any device that emulates a disk drive on a PC, making it possible to send files to virtually any existing or expected future device type.
- **PDF bookmarks** - When opening a PDF file and converting to a KESI file, the conversion will automatically include bookmarks extracted from the original files.
- **Save Recognition** - The Save Recognition feature enables returning to place in the document where the reading left off.
- **MP3 Encoder** - The MP3 encoder is for the conversion of audio files. Kurzweil 1000 provides access to an encoder that may be downloaded via the internet.
- **Daisy Files** - Kurzweil 1000 v12 will convert audio files from any WAV or MP3 file to Daisy 2.02

It's easy to complete simple forms without assistance in Kurzweil 1000. Kurzweil 1000 keeps an image of the form you scan in, and presents you with the fields, labels, boxes, text areas, as well as the positions of those items, in the appropriate reading order. Once you've filled in the blanks, you can save the form and insert your handwritten signature, as in this example, once you have scanned it into the program.



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Kurzweil 1000 Version 12 at its Best

Study Tools

Professionals and students find *Kurzweil 1000*'s comprehensive time-saving study tools extremely useful. Add bookmarks, text notes, and annotations; skim, summarize, and create outlines for your work, and have your documents open to the last position read. Plus, you'll have access to eighteen bilingual dictionaries.

Simple Forms Recognition and Completion

Our software provides easy access to most printed forms and presents them with the fields, labels, boxes, and text areas in the appropriate reading order. Fill in the fields, edit, save, and print—even insert your handwritten signature into the form, or any *Kurzweil 1000* document, once it's scanned into your computer.

Choices for More Accurate Optical Character Recognition (OCR)

Two OCR engines, ScanSoft® OCR 16.2 and ABBYY™ FineReader 9, provide the most accurate available OCR. For the best possible scanning results, *Kurzweil 1000* also has the ability to correct many errors. A noise filter option lets users ignore regions near the edge of a page that were incorrectly identified as text.

State-of-the-Art Speech Options

Clear, natural-sounding VoiceText™ voices from Neo Speech and ETI-Eloquence™ voices from Nuance deliver the highest quality text-to-speech (TTS), making your reading a pleasure to hear. You can choose and adjust our many voice options to suit your individual preference.

Appointment Calendar with Audible Reminders

Keep track of your schedule with our easy-to-use calendar application. You can add, edit, and delete your calendar entries simply from the desktop taskbar, as well as set audible reminders that will play any sound file on your computer you choose.

Online Information Search and Retrieval

Enjoy quick access to information from a variety of sources, including e-books, magazines, encyclopedias, and the Merriam-Webster medical dictionary. Based on your criteria, *Kurzweil 1000* will search select Internet repositories such as Bookshare.org, NLS Web Braille, AccessWorld, Talking Newspaper Association of the United Kingdom, NFB Publications, the Columbia Encyclopedia, and Wikipedia (in multiple languages), and present you with your download choices.

Read Files Away From Home and Burn CDs

Kurzweil 1000 can send your files to Braille Note™, Book Port™, Book Courier, Maestro™, and other handheld devices so you can read and reference important material when away from your home or office computer. You can also create CDs of your files within *Kurzweil 1000* if you have a CD burner.

Broad Range of File Access

Any file type that you can print through an application installed on your computer can be opened with *Kurzweil 1000* (including PDF), which greatly expands your reading choices.

Other Notable Features

- Supports low vision users with magnification and highlighting functions.
- Provides easy access to common business applications (Calculator, Photocopier, and Fax). Scans within Microsoft Word.
- Sends files through popular e-mail applications.

**A trial DVD is available. Call 800-547-6747
or go online at www.kurzweiledu.com**

“*Kurzweil 1000* has dramatically changed my professional life. Before, I had to pay human readers to read me my books and journals. That was both expensive and difficult to arrange. Now, with *Kurzweil 1000*, I can read independently and easily take notes using multi-level bookmarks. Its many useful features, and the terrific development and support teams behind it, really set *Kurzweil 1000* apart from any other adaptive product out there.”

*Luis Eduardo Pena, Kurzweil 1000 User, and
Clinical Psychologist, Cali, Colombia.*

“I use *Kurzweil 1000* to scan my books, mail, even food boxes. And I have used its handy feature for identifying money. I have found it to be the most efficient and user friendly way for me to read almost anything without human assistance. Each new version of *Kurzweil 1000* has increased scanning accuracy and added features that make scanning, finding, and reading material of all types faster and easier.”

*Sarah Van Oosterwijck, Kurzweil 1000 User,
Cottage Grove, MN*

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

For a complete list of system requirements please visit:
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