Read With Me

Welcome Reader!

Easing the Workload of Student Reading Evaluations:

Read With Me app combines speech-to-text algorithms and Intel® technology to offer students a tool to practice their reading skills

Teachers face big expectations around improving student reading skills. All things considered—hectic schedules, testing, diversity of skill levels, and variations in student motivation—the days don't seem long enough to deliver the detailed feedback and coaching each child needs. So Clarity Innovations partnered with Intel to bring a tool that offers learners an online space to practice reading, get feedback, and receive the encouragement and fun factor they need.

Read With Me hosts a library of custom-illustrated stories. Students log in, set their grade and avatar, pick a story, and perform a quick microphone check. Then the student reads a snip of text and receives a gold-star score based on speed and accuracy. The system remembers each session so teachers can log in and track progress.

Read With Me is a reading analysis app built for the Chrome* browser that provides an engaging way for students to practice reading. Combining the power of Intel® processors with speech-to-text algorithms and data analysis, *Read With Me* targets grades K-2 and provides teachers with an easy-to-use method for scoring reading skills.

Ongoing reading assessments can assist overworked teachers in multiple ways. First, automating the system improves efficiency, and students get immediate feedback without the common distractions that can interrupt a classroom setting. Second, record-keeping is automatic, so teachers can easily track individual performance over time. And third, the application has badges and feedback to help motivate students to improve their skills.

Steve Burt, Director of Strategy at Clarity Innovations, is serious about blending leading technologies and the literacy goals behind reading improvement. The *Read With Me* app has promise throughout primary education, and he envisions the app being bundled into educator packs or parenting tools. "*Read With Me* is a great concept, and we've put a lot of effort into testing, streamlining, and improving it," he said.

Paige Johnson, North American US Education Marketing Manager at Intel, is pleased with how well the app takes advantage of technology's power. "The Intel processor-powered Chromebook* has proven itself to be a top performer in the classroom, offering a lot of advantages for teachers."

To download the *Read With Me* app at no cost during the next 14 days, go to the **Chrome Web Store**.

Clarity Innovations is a Portland-based team with nearly 30 years' experience in melding technology and education, so they know what they're looking for when it comes to computing power. They chose the Intel® processor-powered Chromebook because they were impressed with its power and capabilities.

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