

# MyStudyBar



A suite of free applications assembled into one package to support literacy difficulties.

To download MyStudyBar go to: [www.callscotland.org.uk/mystudybar](http://www.callscotland.org.uk/mystudybar)

## MyStudyBar can help learners to:

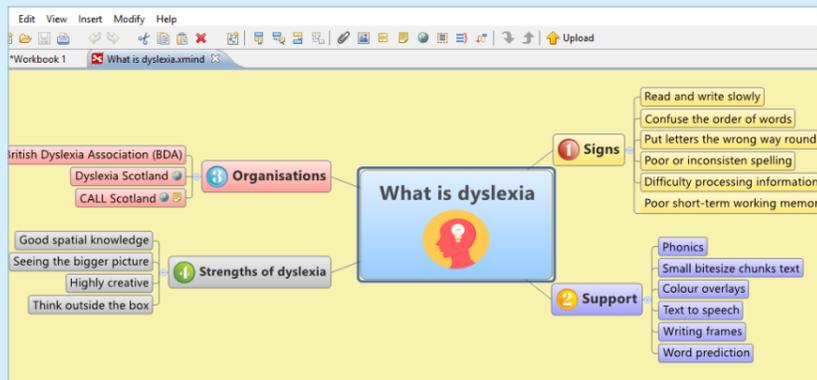
- organise and plan their thoughts
- customise background and font colours
- listen to information read aloud
- convert text to audio
- improve typing skills and more!



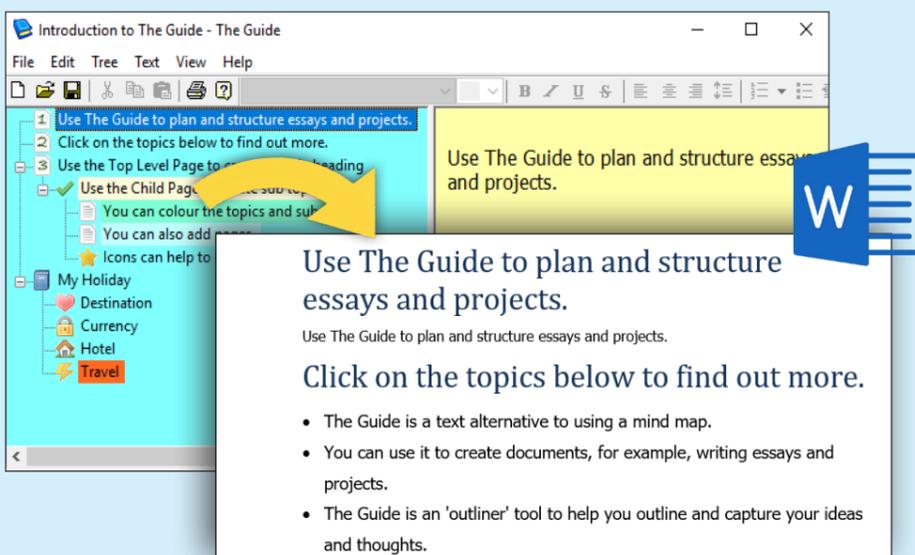
You can run MyStudyBar from a USB pendrive or the desktop!

## Support with planning and organisation

**XMind** - can help to map out ideas, communicate thoughts, understand relationships between topics, add images and icons - great for visual learning!

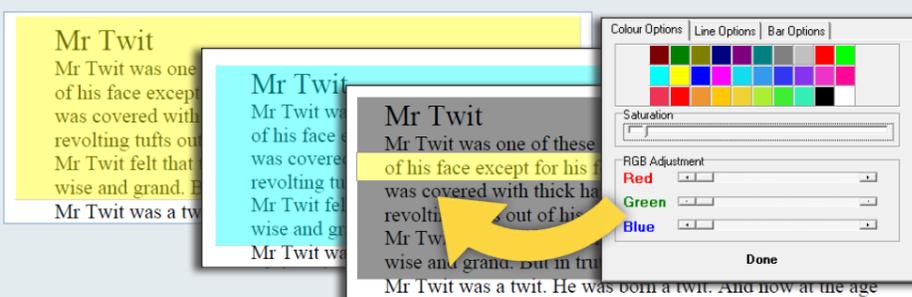


**The Guide** - plan and structure your ideas then convert them to a word processor such as Microsoft Word to extend writing.

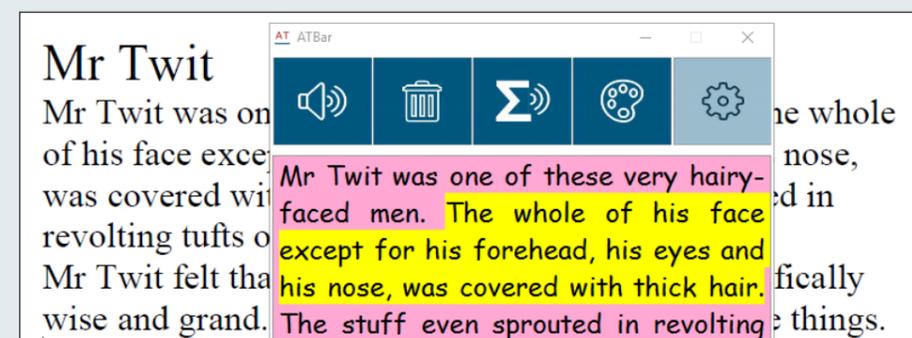


## Support with reading

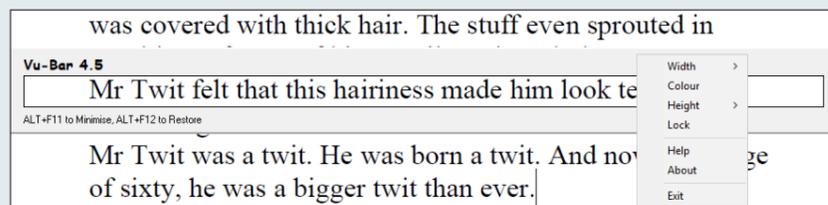
**TBar** - is an easy-to-use screen masking tool. You can choose from a range of colours, create a reading ruler and adjust the size and transparency of the tint.



**ATBar** - reads text aloud with options to change the font style, colour background and synchronised colour highlighting.

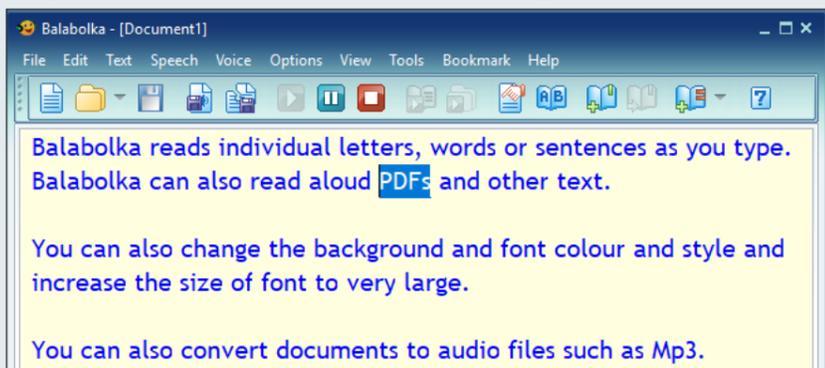


**VuBar** - is a floating ruler which can be set to read one or two lines of text at a time, to aid concentration.



## Support with writing

**Balabolka** - reads individual characters, words and sentences as you type. It has many other useful features such as converting text to audio.

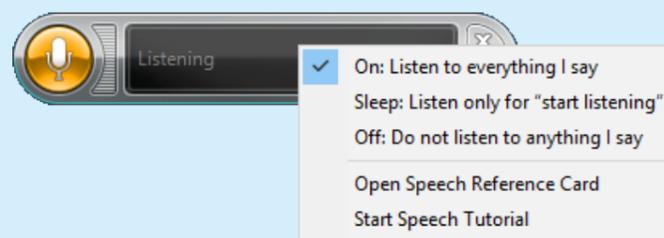


**RapidTyping** - is a colourful and fun touch typing program with a variety of lessons to choose from. You can also create your own word lists to practice with.



## Voice - Speech Recognition

With **Voice** you can dictate text. Voice uses the Windows built-in **Speech Recognition** which requires training. For best results take time to work through the tutorial.



## Vision - Magnifier

Magnify and customise your desktop with **System Font Size Changer**.

