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## Text to Speech – Google Chrome

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Google Chrome has a feature, texts to be spoken aloud by a so-called **text-to-speech synthesis**. With the text-to-speech synthesis, text on the screen is converted into speech. You can use the text-to-speech synthesis, for example, for:

- News articles and school materials.
- Texts that you have written yourself so that you are able to discover errors that may be difficult to detect when you skim through the text.
- Texts written in other languages.

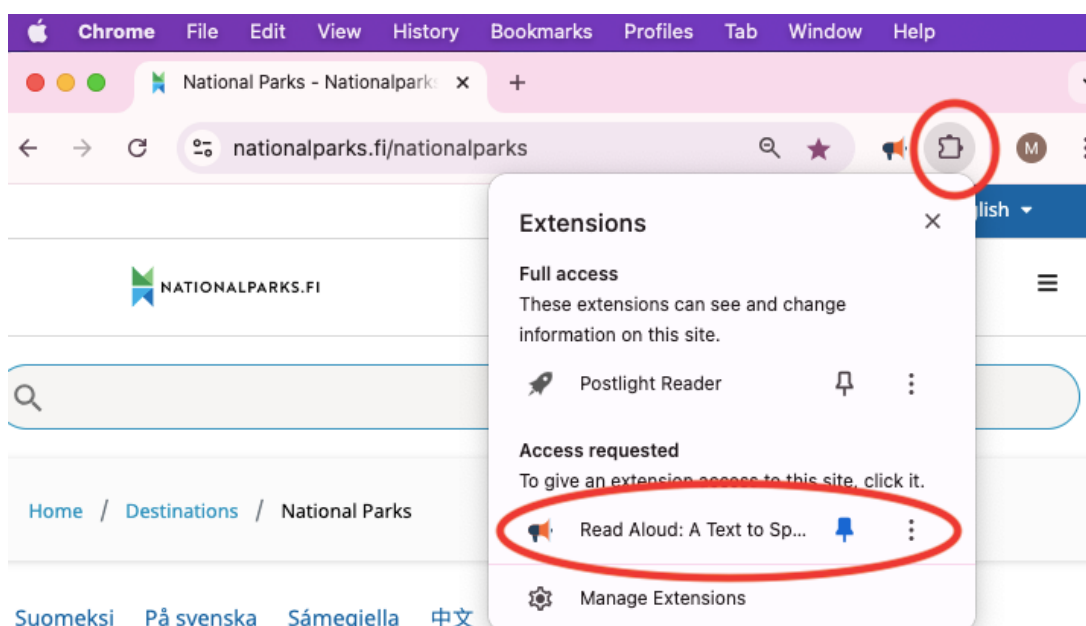
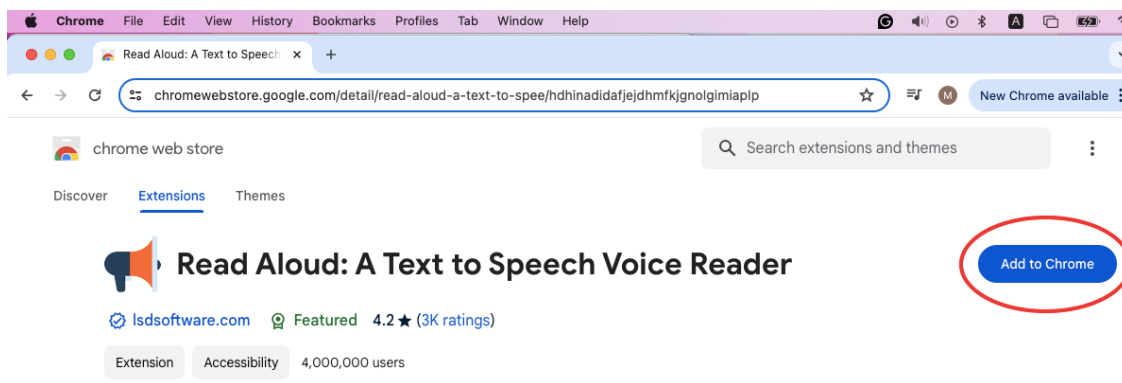


## Get started with text-to-speech synthesis

In the Google Chrome browser, there are extensions you can download to have texts read aloud on web pages. Try, for example, **Read Aloud**. To download extensions, you must log in to your own Google account.

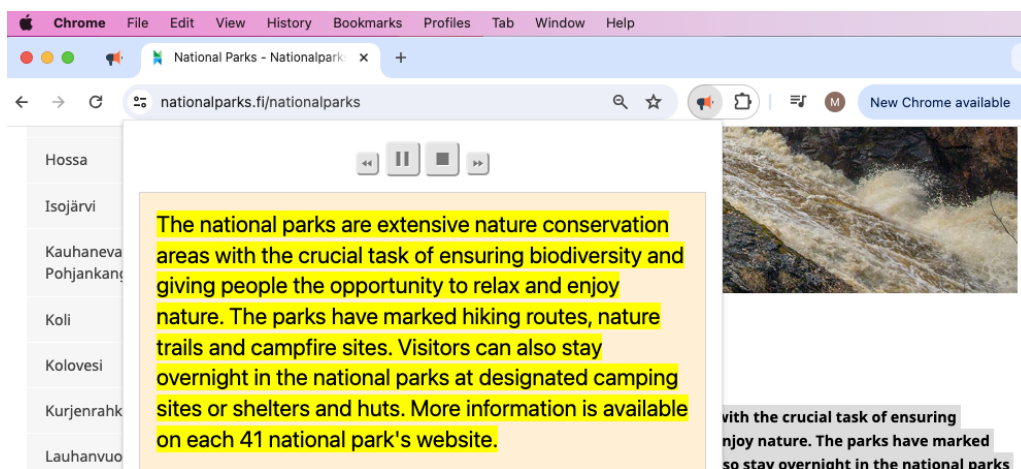
### Install Read Aloud like this:

- Open the Google Chrome browser.
- Log in to your Google account with your Gmail address.
- Go to the Chrome Web Store: <https://chromewebstore.google.com/>
- Search for the extension Read Aloud.
- Click on **Add to Chrome**.



## Use Read Aloud like this:

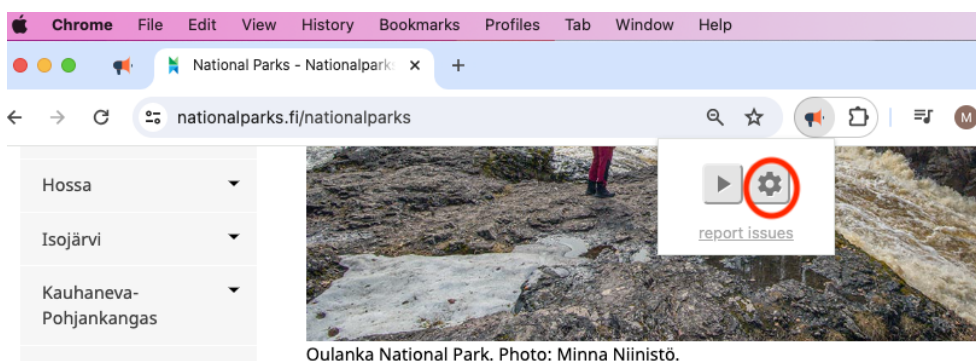
- Open a web page in the Google Chrome browser.
- Highlight the text to be read aloud and click on the **Read Aloud icon**, located in the browser's toolbar at the top right.
- A new window opens, and the text is read aloud.
- In the window that opens, you can pause and stop the reading. You can also skip forward and backward in the text.
- End Read Aloud by clicking on **stop** and then the **Read Aloud icon**.



## Customize voices and reading speeds.

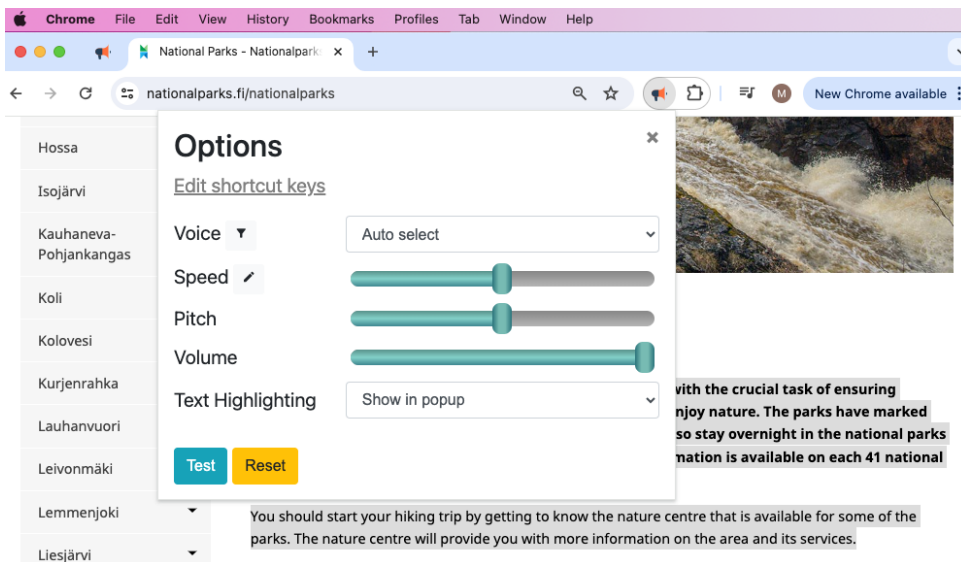
Experiment to find the voice and reading speed that suits you.

- To change the speech synthesis voice and reading speed, press the **stop icon**.
- Click on the **gear icon** in the window.



## In Options, you can change:

- Voice
- Speed
- Pitch
- Volume
- Text Highlighting



## The links used in the instructions:

You can find the Chrome Web Store here:

<https://chromewebstore.google.com/>