

Reading Assistant headset requirements

Use this topic to help you choose an approved headset and adapter for Reading Assistant. Items not included in this list have not been certified to work with our software.

Tip: Scientific Learning customers may be able receive a discount on Andrea headsets and adapters, if purchased directly from [Andrea Communications](#).

Computer/Chromebook headset requirements

Using Reading Assistant on a computer, laptop, or Chromebook requires an approved headset with either an integrated USB connection or an approved USB audio adapter.

If you plan to use Reading Assistant and the Fast ForWord products together, all of the headsets in this table will also work with the Fast ForWord products except for the Logitech H390 headset, which is not recommended.

Headsets for computer use	Needs USB adapter	Durable	Easy to clean	Use with FFW	Price range
Andrea EDU-455 USB			✓	✓	\$25-\$32
Logitech H390 (ClearChat Comfort USB)					\$25-\$35
Microsoft LifeChat LX-3000				✓	\$20-\$35
Andrea EDU-455	✓			✓	\$12-\$17
Califone 3066AV (not USB)	✓	✓	✓	✓	\$25-\$35
Cyber Acoustic AC-960	✓		✓	✓	\$20-\$30

When purchasing a USB adapter for your computer headset, choose the exact model number shown. Other adapters sold by the same manufacturer are not approved.

USB adapters for computer use (pair with any approved headset)	
Andrea EDU-USB	Parts Express USB Sound Adapter (with mic and headphone jacks)
SYBA SD-CM-UAUD	SYBA SD-AUD-20066
StarTech ICUSBAUDIO	StarTech ICUSBAUDIOB

iPad headset requirements

iPad mobile digital devices provide a single headset jack for the Reading Assistant headset, which lets you use a single cable to connect the headset to the device. To provide the best audio quality and user experience, choose an approved headset that best meets your implementation needs.

- For iPad use only, choose a headset with a single plug, or choose one with a dual plug and use a mobile adapter.
- For iPad and computer use, choose a headset with a dual plug. This way, the headset can be used with a USB headset adapter on the computer and with a mobile headset adapter on iPad.

Scientific Learning supports most mobile headset adapters (dual plug to single plug).

- Andrea Communications provides the [C-100 mobile adapter](#), available on their website.
- To search for a mobile adapter online, use the following search phrase: “3.5mm 4-pin to 2x 3-pin headset splitter adapter”

Headsets for iPad use	Plug type	Needs mobile adapter	Durable	Easy to clean	Use with FFW	Price range
Andrea EDU-455M	Single			✓	✓	\$12-\$17
Califone 3066AVT	Single		✓	✓	✓	\$25-\$35
Cyber Acoustics AC-204	Single	1				\$10-\$20
Andrea EDU-455	Dual	✓		✓	✓	\$12-\$17
Califone 3066AV	Dual	✓	✓	✓	✓	\$25-\$35
Cyber Acoustics AC-201	Dual	✓				\$20-\$30
Cyber Acoustics AC-960	Dual	✓		✓	✓	\$10-\$20

¹Cyber Acoustics AC-204 comes with a single plug to dual plug adapter, making this headset usable on desktop and laptop computers with a USB adapter.