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Getting Online: Screen Reader

Exploring the Browser

Here are some tips and tricks for exploring a browser using a screen reader. A web browser is the program you use to access information that's available online.

These instructions are for using the Google Chrome browser along with NVDA as a screen reader, but the concepts are pretty similar no matter which screen reader and browser you're using. **Try it out.**

1. Use the shortcut Windows key plus the letter D to get to the desktop.
2. Then, to get to Google Chrome, press the letter G until you land on it.
3. If you're unable to find it, use the search bar.
 - a. Press the Windows key by itself.
 - b. Type the word Chrome.
 - c. When it shows up, press the Enter key to open it.

4. After you open the browser, type in a website, such as Bookshare.org and press the Enter key to open it. The website Bookshare.org is made up of a number of different web pages. There's a Help Center page, a Getting Started page, and a login page, just to name a few.

Tip: Web pages contain a lot of different things, or elements that you can work with. Links, which take you from page to page, and edit boxes, where you can type in information, are just a couple examples.

5. Press the NVDA key, which is actually the Insert key on your keyboard, and the letter T: The screen reader will tell you the title of the page you're on.

Now you know how to open your browser, type in a web address, and open a website. Try another workshop to learn more.