

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE?

Do you know someone who needs help reading, hearing, writing, or learning? Wyoming Assistive Technology Resources (WATR) was created to provide Wyoming residents with accessible tools and solutions to common learning impediments.

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uwyo.edu/wind/watr/library.html

library.wyo.gov/AT



ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY CHANGES LIVES

Assistive technology enables and promotes inclusion and participation. The purpose of assistive products is to maintain or improve an individual's functioning and independence, thereby promoting their well-being.



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Assistive technology (AT) is any item, piece of equipment, software program, or product system that is used to increase, maintain, or improve the functional capabilities of persons with disabilities.

AT can be low-tech: communication boards made of cardboard or fuzzy felt.

AT can be high-tech: special computers.

AT can be hardware: prosthetics, mounting systems, and positioning devices.

AT can be computer hardware: special switches, keyboards, and pointing devices.

AT can be computer software: screen readers and communication programs.

AT can be inclusive or specialized: learning materials and curriculum aids.

AT can be much more: electronic devices, wheelchairs, walkers, braces, software, power lifts, pencil holders, eye-gaze and head trackers, headphones or ear buds.

ABOUT THE WATR PROGRAM

What is WATR?

Wyoming Assistive Technology Resources is Wyoming's official Assistive Technology Act program and a resource for all Wyoming residents. WATR's mission is to provide evidence-based information about assistive technology resources and services to maximize participation in life activities.

What can WATR do for you?

Wyoming Assistive Technology Resources (WATR) provides information regarding AT devices and services via phone, email, to walk-in visitors, on our website, and through video-conferencing technology to individuals across the state of Wyoming. Please contact us to learn more about AT, including device demonstrations, device loans, technical assistance, low-interest financing options to purchase AT devices, and information about acquiring lightly-used devices at low cost.



WHAT'S INSIDE THE AT TOOLKIT?

WATR BOOKMARK MAGNIFIERS

A tool that makes objects larger for reading and general viewing

WATR JAR OPENER GRIPS

Textured, rubber grips assist in opening jar lids

PENCIL GRIPS

An aid that gently positions fingers in the proper, ergonomic position for writing

COLOR OVERLAY BOOK MARKS

Bookmarks that reduce glare when placed on top of reading material

RAISED LINED PAPER

Writing paper with slightly raised bumps at each line; gives feedback to a writer to stay between ruled lines

MASKING AIDS

Tools that isolate words and help readers to focus on segments of material

LARGE PRINT KEYBOARD STICKERS

Large, individual letters applied to a standard keyboard, so keys are easier to see

PICTURE COMMUNICATION BOOK

A paper-based system where an individual points to words, letters, or pictures to communicate

