Screen Reader Testing Terms

General note to ASL interpreters – please be mindful I'm throwing any terms I can think I might have that need some time to prepare. I may not use the exact words/phrases. I do apologize, I may work alongside two ASL interpreters in my department, but I also almost never work with them for presentations. One of them was kind enough to make sure I at least gave prep terms/a once over. I will also have a highlighted area for a section of the presentation of a screen reader. It will be a box and typically reads what is there + maybe a few coded items. I'll be keeping it slower than my normal rate for all users who are not used to it. Terms that that might give are things such as "new tab" or other basic computer terms.

Screen Reader: a software that reads **everything** on the screen. Example include JAWS, Narrator, and NVDA.

Immersive Reader: A specific tool that reads only the text. Microsoft product

Text to speech: a software that reads only the text. This is **not** a screen reader.

Canvas: LMS that I'm using in the demonstration.

LMS: Learning Management Software

Alt Text: a written explanation of a photo/visual information. It is not typically visible to sighted user

Sighted user/person: users with vision

Low vision/legally blind/blind: various users who can not see the information as it maybe typically presented. I may use these terms interchangeably

Accessibility checker: a tool that checks that various elements are accessible, such as all images have alt text

Panorama: A specific accessibility checker/overlay that Southeastern Oklahoma State University uses. It combines an overlay and checking

Overlay: in this context, something that is changing the appearance of the information such as font, color, or sizes. It does not change the code

NVDA: a specific screen reader. It's open source and free to download

JAWS: a paid screen reader, considered by some as a premium option

Narrator: built into Windows screen reader

VoiceOver: Apple's built in screen reader

ChromeVox: Chrome OS built in

TalkBack: an Android option for text-to-speech, select to speak

Select to Speak: a feature of most text to speech tools. Typically, users will highlight a portion of text and have the text to speech software read that highlighted portion