# Mercury
## Magnifier & text-to-speech

## Mercury is an electronic magnifier and text-to-speech reader in a tablet.

Versatile, fast and easy to use, Mercury represents a future all-rounder for visually impaired people. Mercury is available in various different formats including **Mercury 10** and **Mercury 7** tablets, or you can use Mercury on your own Android device. Various stands and accessories can be used to aid reading and writing in different situations.

### Who would benefit from using Mercury?

Mercury will suit all age ranges from students to older people. Its portability and battery operation means that it can be used when travelling, but looks equally at home on any desktop or coffee table seamlessly combining magnification and speech. The touch screen is easy to use, speaking out the different icons when touched.

**Magnifier, text-to-speech and Android system all-in-one**

**Choice of screen sizes**

**The ideal all-round education tool for today's students**

**Magnification x1 to x40 with multiple colour formats**

**Scans and reads out in more than 16 different languages**

**Folded up with felt carry bag**

## The Magnifier

Mercury will magnify anything put under the camera from 1x to 40x depending on the size of the tablet being used. A simple open pinch action on the screen increases the size and a closed pinch action reduces the magnification. By tapping the screen with three fingers the foreground and background can be changed to suit your viewing preferences. Mercury is ideal for reading and writing as well as small fiddly jobs like cutting finger nails.

## Distance viewing

When the tablet is tilted vertically the camera will face towards the object you want to look at, whether it is a board at the front of a classroom or a bird table outside a window. The image is clear and no external cameras are required. This is important as it significantly conserves battery life. The joint on the back of the tablet clamp gives easy maneuverability to pan around.

## Tablet locked or unlocked, what does this mean?

You can choose to have your Mercury tablet locked or unlocked.

Locked means that only the magnifier and text-to-speech applications are functional on the device, dedicating the tablet just to that purpose.

Unlocked means that your tablet is free to be used with other Android applications e.g. for internet, emails, music and games. Connect a large character Bluetooth keyboard and speaker for complete low vision access.

## Text-to-speech mode

Mercury reads out letters, magazines and newspapers accurately and within a few seconds. Columns and text blocks are recognized, put in order then read out normally. An anti-skew correction feature aligns the text into easy to read straight lines if the paper is at an angle.

All the text recognition is processed within the device. There is no need for Mercury to be connected to the internet and all speech is in clear English accents in a male or female voice. Scanned documents can be saved for future reference and pictures are always ignored. Mercury can scan and read out in different languages (available on request).

# Accessories

## Bluetooth speaker

Add quality and volume to the speech output by connecting an external speaker. Our recommended speaker gives a rich depth to the sound making the speech clearer. The volume is adjustable on the speaker as well as the tablet.

## Large character Bluetooth keyboard

If the tablet is unlocked, fitting a large character keyboard can help with sending emails or using the word processor. The keyboards are full size without a number pad. They are supplied in these configurations: Black letters on a white background, white on black and black on yellow. Further details are available on request.

## Stand for your tablet

Mercury can be used as a hand held device for hands free use but can be supplied with a desk stand for the 10-inch and 7-inch tablets.

# Specifications

- **Mercury 10** has a 10" screen and folds up into an attractive felt case measuring: 39cm (15 ¼") x 27cm (10½") x 10cm (4") and weighs just 1.5kg (3.3lbs) including the charger, making it light and easy to carry around.

- **Mercury 7** has a 7" screen and folds into the same case, but only weighs 1.4kg (3lbs.).

**Component parts:**
1 x Stand with articulated arm
1 x Tablet
1 x Mercury preloaded software
1 x Large felt carry case
1 x Small felt case for charger & lead
1 x Manual

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