

textTutor

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Mississippi State University is currently seeking companies interested in commercializing a computer-based system and software that tutors students as they read. This technology has a patent pending. Mississippi State University is actively seeking a partner to further develop and commercialize this technology.

Uses/Applications

End users of this technique include the following market segments: K-12 and college students, educational software, distance learning, publishing, training, and workforce development.

Advantages

Tutoring is currently done in person or via expensive intelligent tutoring systems. Advantages of this new method include:

- Improved reader and/or student learning
- Students also improve their reading skills
- Fast and easy implementation in new textbooks
- Greater transparency on student performance for teachers and professors

Technology

TextTutor is implemented in Javascript and can run in nearly any modern browser; it is compatible with Web 2.0. The functionality can be readily ported to other specialized applications as well.

Inventors

Dr. Gary Bradshaw is the primary developer of this technology. Dr. Bradshaw is a professor in the psychology department at Mississippi State University whose research interests include: web-based education, human learning, and software engineering.

