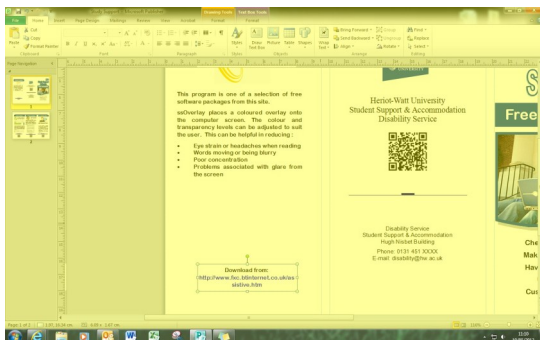


ssOverlay



This program is one of a selection of free software packages from this web site.

ssOverlay places a coloured overlay onto the computer screen. The colour and transparency levels can be adjusted to suit the user. This can be helpful in reducing :

- Eye strain or headaches when reading
- Words moving or being blurry
- Poor concentration
- Problems associated with glare from the screen

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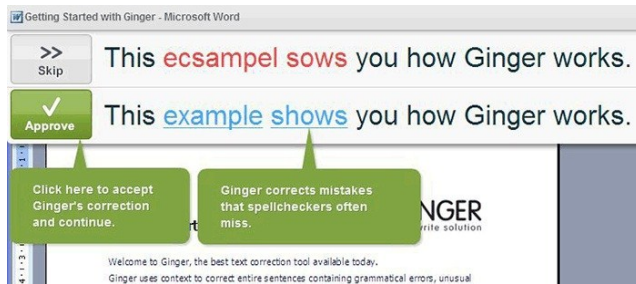
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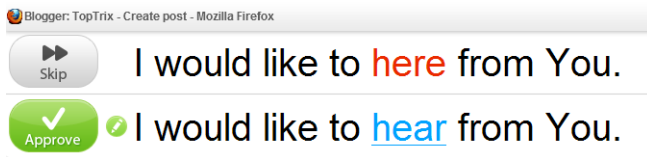
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- Have text read back to you
- Use advanced synthetic voices
- Customise screen tinting

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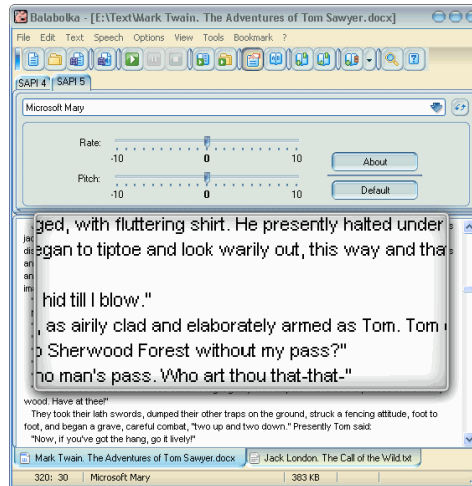
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