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NVDA for 10 Min

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NVDA:

- Non-Visual Desktop Access (NVDA) is a free and open-source screen reader from Microsoft Windows operating system.
- ➤ Providing feedback via synthetic speech and Braille, it enables blind or vision impaired people to access computers running Windows for no more cost than a sighted person.
- NVDA is developed by NV Access, with contributions from the community.

Features of NVDA:

- NVDA support applications such as web browser, email clients, internet chat programs and office suites
- Built-in speech synthesizer supporting over 80 languages
- Reporting of textual formatting where available such as font name and size, style and spelling errors
- Automatic announcement of text under the mouse and optional audible indication of the mouse position
- It supports for many refreshable braille displays, including the ability to detect many of them automatically as well as braille input on braille displays with a braille keyboard
- Ability to run entirely from a USB flash drive or other portable media without the need for installation
- Easy to use talking installer
- Translated into 54 languages
- Support for modern Windows Operating Systems including both 32- and 64-bit variants
- Ability to run during Windows sign-in and other secure screens.
- Announcing controls and text while using touch gestures
- Support for common accessibility interfaces such as Microsoft Active Accessibility, Java Access Bridge, IAccessible2 and UI Automation
- It supports for Windows Command Prompt and console applications
- The ability to highlight the system focus

Installing NVDA:

- **Step 1:** Install NVDA directly from the NVDA download package, press the Install NVDA button.
- Step 2: The installation dialog that appears will confirm whether you wish to install NVDA
- **Step 3:** Pressing the Continue button will start installing NVDA
- **Step 4:** Once the installation has completed, a message will appear telling you that it was successful

NVDA Browser Support:

- Mozilla Firefox
- Microsoft Internet Explorer
- Mozilla Thunderbird
- HTML messages in Microsoft Outlook
- Google Chrome
- Microsoft Edge
- Adobe Reader
- Foxit Reader
- Supported books in Amazon Kindle for PC

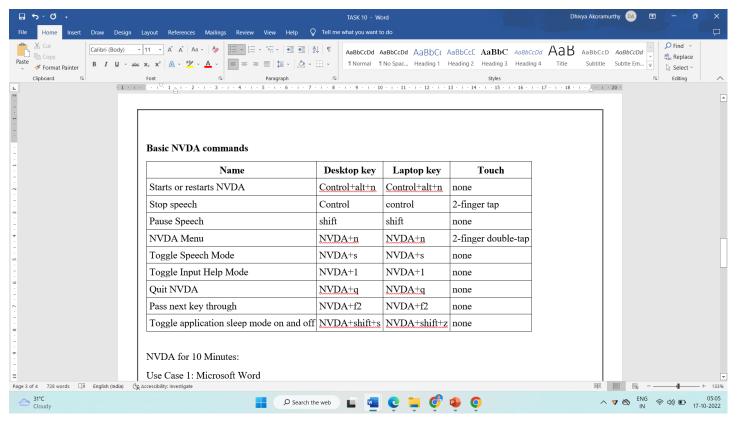
Basic NVDA commands

Name	Desktop key	Laptop key	Touch
Starts or restarts NVDA	Control+alt+n	Control+alt+n	none
Stop speech	Control	control	2-finger tap
Pause Speech	shift	shift	none
NVDA Menu	NVDA+n	NVDA+n	2-finger double-tap
Toggle Speech Mode	NVDA+s	NVDA+s	none
Toggle Input Help Mode	NVDA+1	NVDA+1	none
Quit NVDA	NVDA+q	NVDA+q	none
Pass next key through	NVDA+f2	NVDA+f2	none
Toggle application sleep mode on and off	NVDA+shift+s	NVDA+shift+z	none

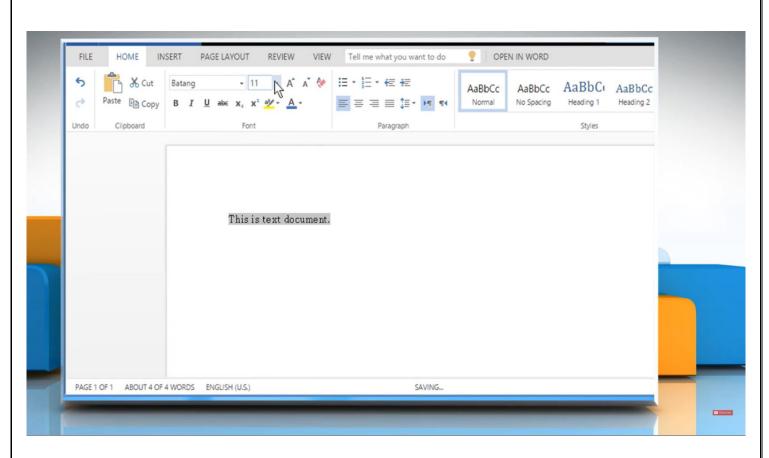
NVDA for 10 Minutes:

Use Case 1: Microsoft Word

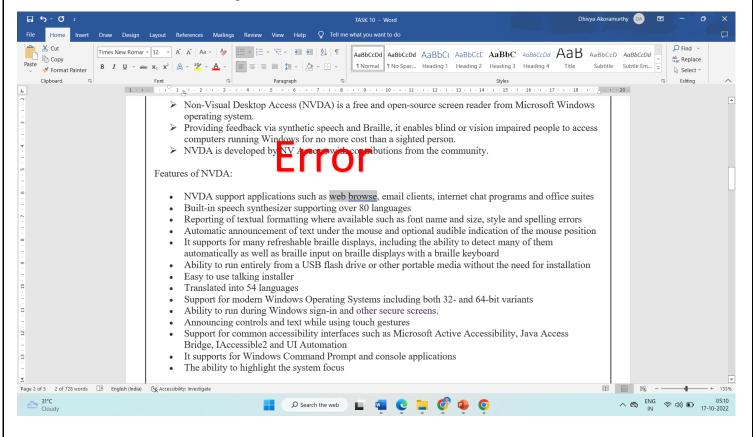
Automatic Column and Row Header Reading



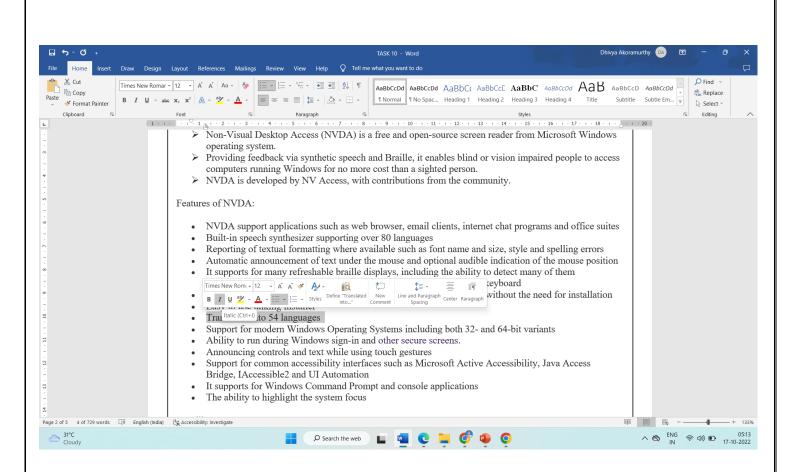
Browse Mode in Microsoft Word



➤ The Elements List (headings, links, annotations and errors)

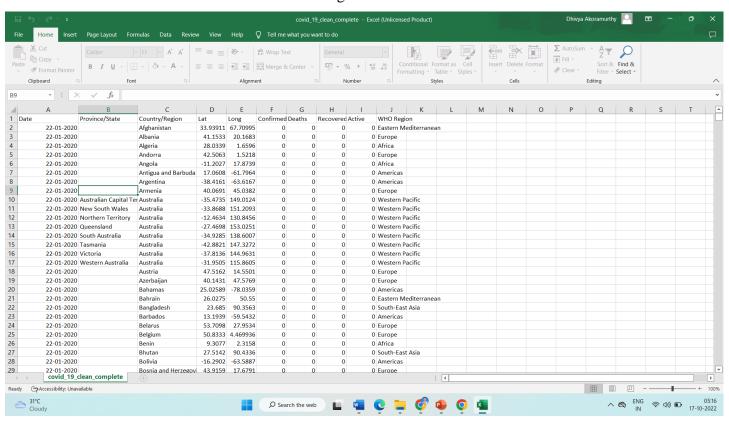


Reporting Comments

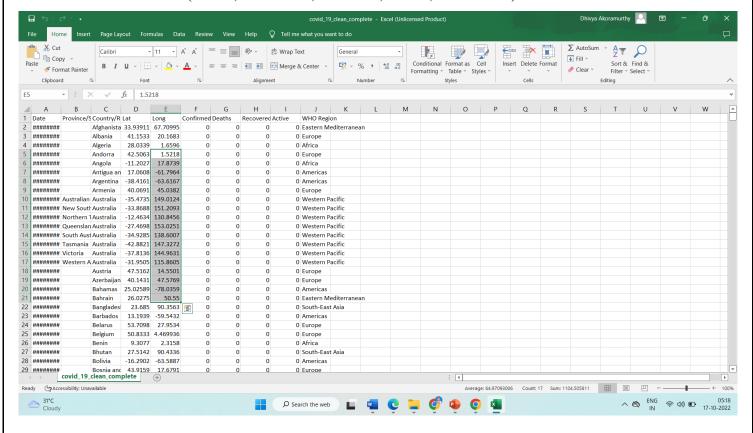


Use Case 2: Microsoft Excel

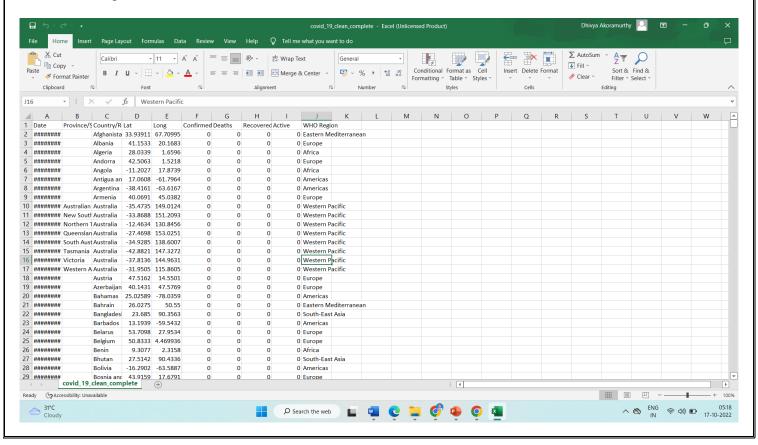
Automatic Column and Row Header Reading



➤ The Elements List (Charts, Comments, Formulas, Sheets, Form fields)

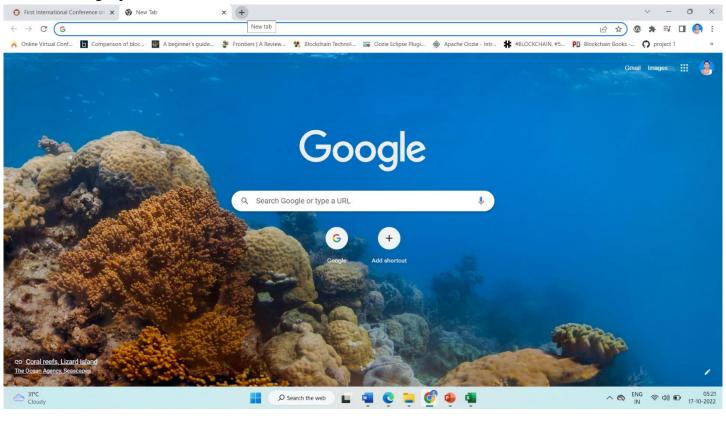


- Reporting Notes
- Reading Protected Cells

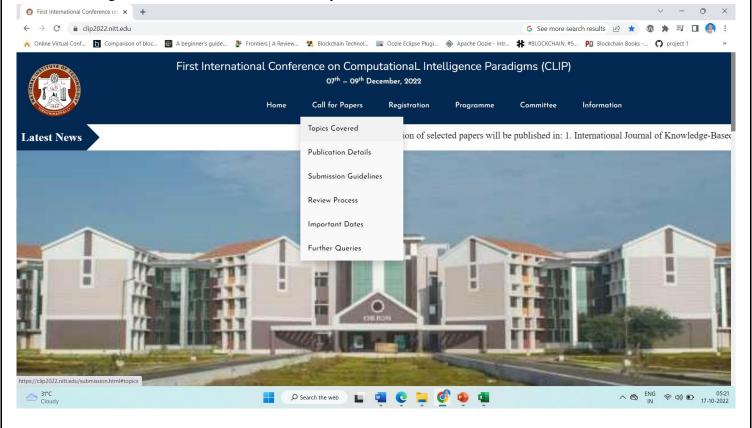


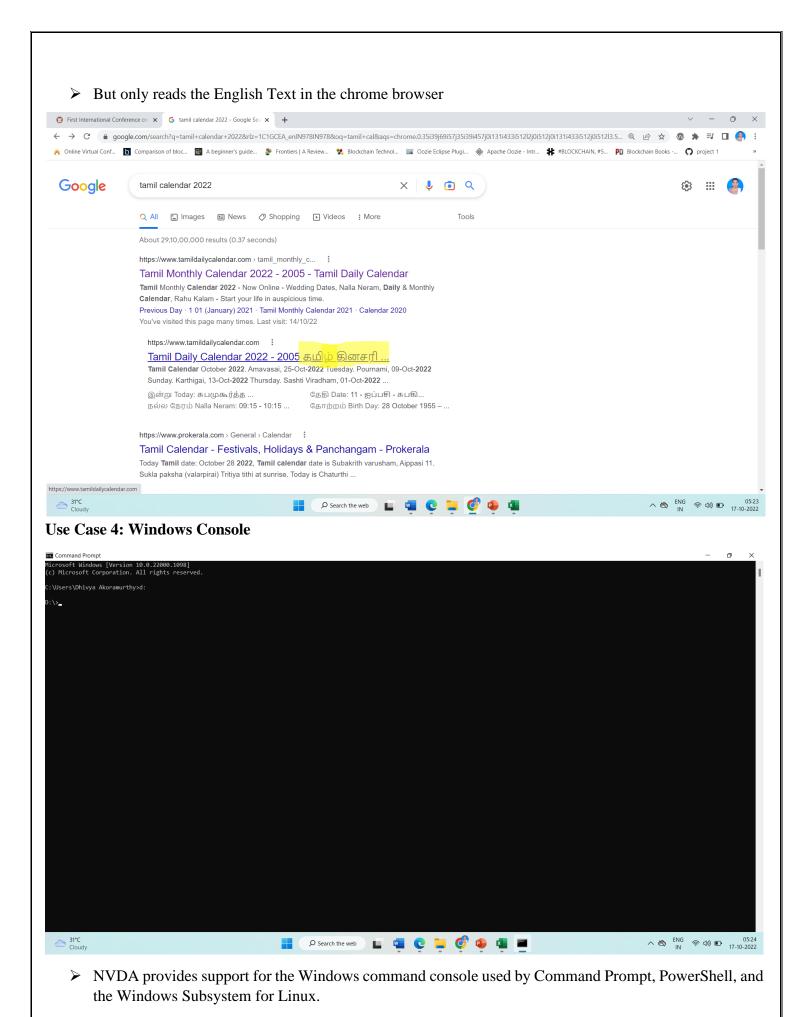
Use Case 3: Chrome

> Reading Options in Chrome



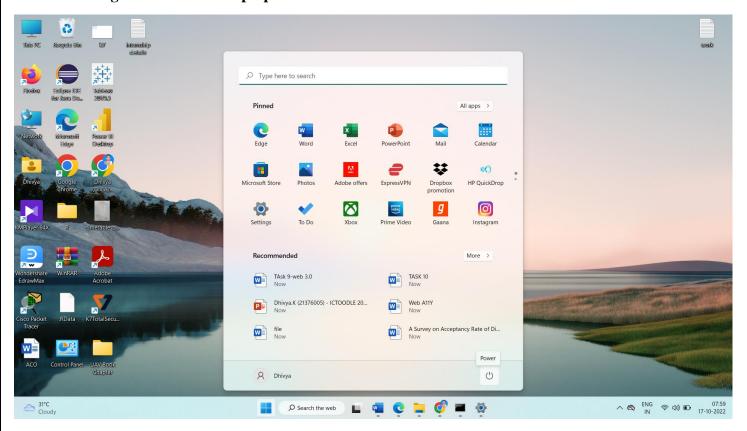
➤ Reading Mouse Pointer content effectively

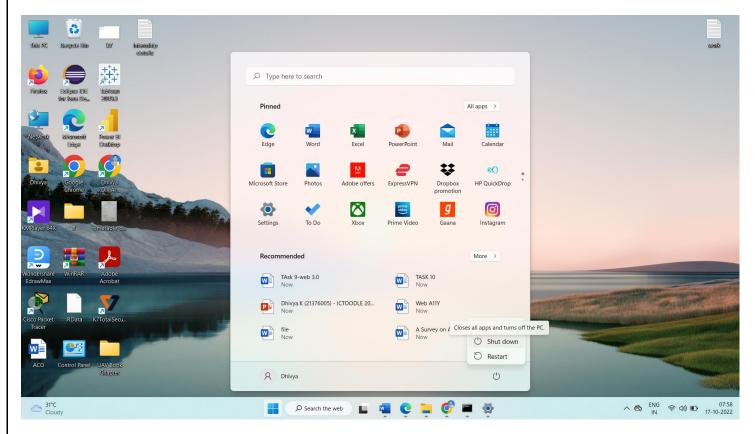




- The console window is of fixed size, typically much smaller than the buffer that holds the output.
- As new text is written, the content scrolls upwards and previous text is no longer visible.
- ➤ On Windows versions before Windows 11 22H2, text in the console that is not visibly displayed in the window is not accessible with NVDA's text review commands.
- ➤ Therefore, it is necessary to scroll the console window to read earlier text.
- In newer versions of the console and in Windows Terminal, it is possible to review the entire text buffer freely without the need to scroll the window.

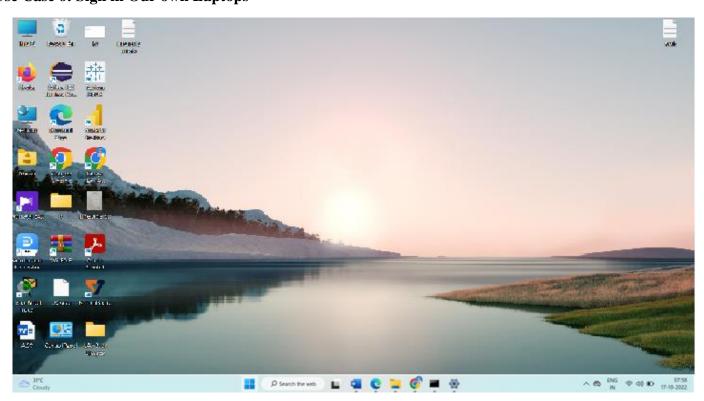
Use Case 5: Sign out Our own Laptops





- > I closed my eyes and I tried to shut down my system
- > It is correctly telling the options and I shut down the systems correctly

Use Case 6: Sign in Our own Laptops



Advantages of NVDA Screen Reader:

- ➤ It allows a blind person to use the computer or laptop
- ➤ It allows a blind person to create a document using a word processor like MS Word, MS Excel, MS office etc, ...
- ➤ A blind can now read any article on the internet
- Also, in writing email, chatting, conferencing etc, ...
- ➤ If they want to communicate through instant messaging software
- > If they want to make a blog
- They can also play some computer games has a collection of accessible games for the blind
- ➤ Blind musicians now use an audio editing software to record, edit and save their songs for example
- ➤ It is used for common people who can't read anything that they can also access the computer or laptop

Disadvantages of NVDA Screen Reader:

- > Security is low because of NVDA
- ➤ The Voice of NVDA is like Machine (Robotic voice) so few people can't understand.
- ➤ I tried to play a song lyric in English but I can't understand the sentences clearly.
- ➤ It is fast reading so difficult for People to listen
- ➤ It is not reading all the language except English.