

Introduction and Welcome

Welcome to AT&T's FlexTalk SAPI compliant Text to Speech Engine.

FlexTalk provides a powerful and customizable method for converting text to speech while maintaining context sensitive pronunciation, acronyms, proper names, and other aspects of the English language that many text to speech packages stumble over. The FlexTalk engine accepts text as input and applies an extensive list of rules, including those that you add through the use of escape sequences, to convert text to audio output. FlexTalk is not a computer application; it is a software tool that provides text to speech support for a variety of SAPI compliant applications.

FlexTalk offers the following advanced Text to Speech features:

- SAPI Compliance
- Escape Sequences for More Lifelike Speech
- Recognition of Proper Names
- Customizable Voices
- Advanced Handling of Punctuation, Acronyms, and Abbreviations
- Phonetic Transcriptions
- Custom Dictionaries

The FlexTalk Property Sheet allows the user access to settings of the FlexTalk engine. The user can access the Property Sheet either through the Control Panel, or it can be called by an application which is using FlexTalk. The Property Sheet allows the user to create and modify speaker voices and to add, remove or modify word pronunciations. For more information see [FlexTalk Property Sheet](#).

For information on the advanced features of FlexTalk go to [Speech Synthesis Control](#).

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