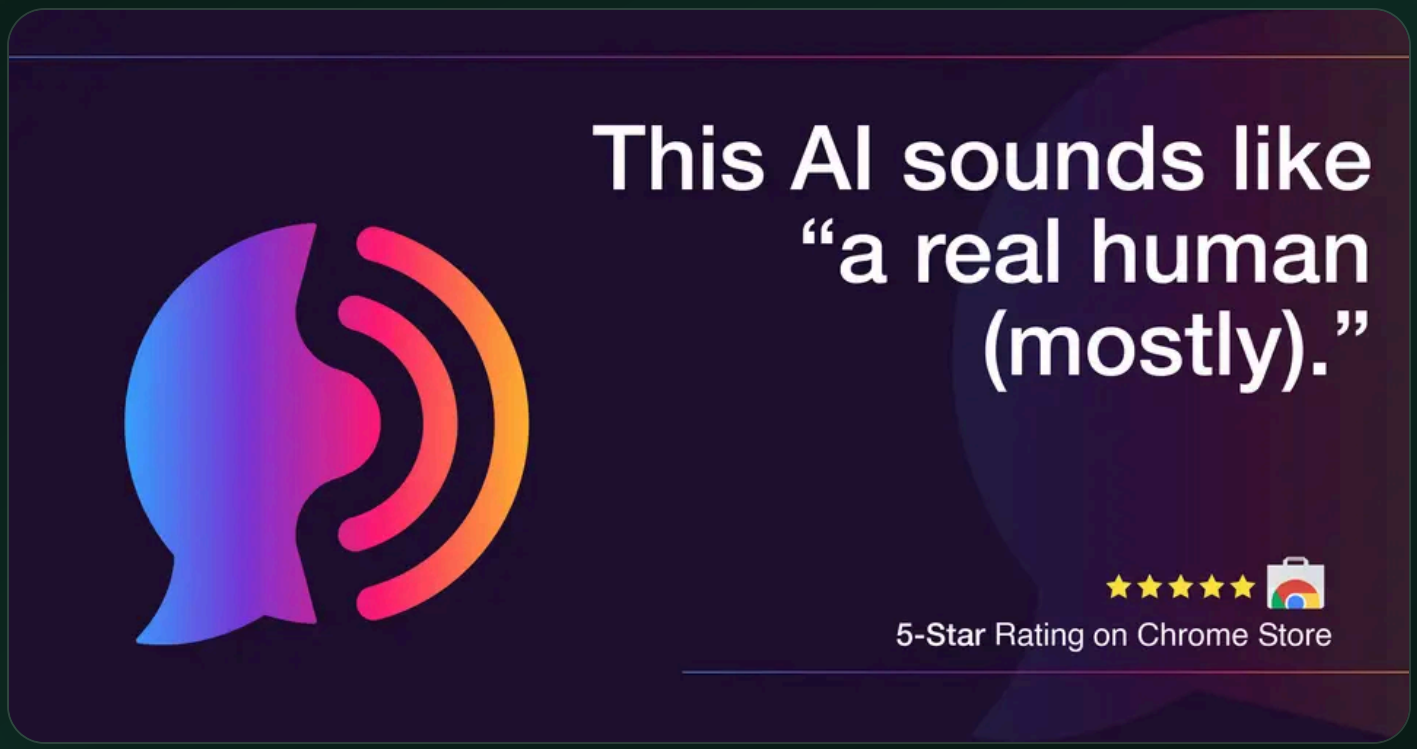
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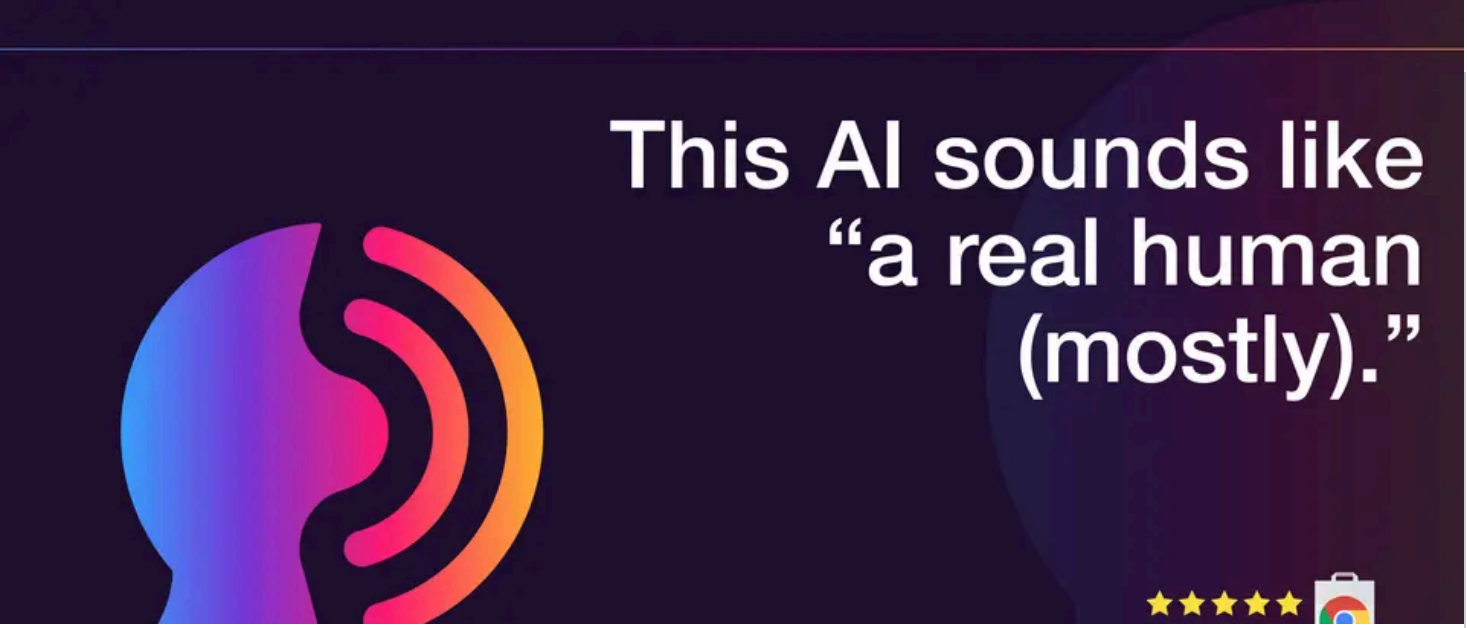
Turns articles, PDFs and emails into audio for podcast apps



Every plan, grade, refund rule and rival among AI voice generators, read from Audioread's own pages.

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ToolGPA put this guide together from Audioread’s own pages, its app-store listings and our grades. Every fact in it is on Audioread’s page too, where it is kept up to date. Checked Nov 13, 2026.

Welcome

What it is, who it suits, its grades and the ten things to know first

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GPA, above 30 of the 72 other AI voice generators we grade

Audioread converts web articles, PDFs, Word files, forwarded emails and RSS feeds into AI-voiced audio. It lists nearly 1,000 voices in over 150 languages, and the audio plays in its own app or syncs to a private podcast feed for other players. A free tier is limited to three short articles a month.

To get you started, here are **9 things to know about Audioread**, taken from its own pages and our grades.

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> **No store rating on record, and you connect a feed to a podcast app.**
>
> From our grade for ease of use

1 **Best for articles, PDFs and emails as podcast audio**

Audioread turns articles, PDFs and emails into audio in your podcast app.

2 **Paid plans start at $9.99 a month**

As its pricing page puts it: $9.99 per month for Pro.

3 **There is a free plan**

Basic is free: 3 articles a month, up to 3 feeds and 1,000 characters per article.

4 **It runs on 3 platforms**

Web, iOS and Android.

5 **Many input types**

Converts links, PDFs, DOCX and plain text, forwarded emails and RSS or Atom feeds.

6 **Private podcast feed**

Finished audio appears in a playlist and a private feed that works with Apple Podcasts, Spotify and other players.

7 **Voices and languages**

Nearly 1,000 AI voices across more than 150 languages.

8 **A 2.2 GPA, above 30 of 72**

That is against the other AI voice generators we grade, on value, the free plan, features, ease of use and platforms.

9 **Keep it**

To replace Audioread you would be making a voice model, which you can rent by the minute but not make. That is not a weekend's work, with an AI app builder or without one.

Audioread at a glance

PRICING Free plan, from $9.99 per month for Pro	FREE PLAN Yes
FREE TRIAL None stated	RUNS ON Web, iOS, Android
MADE BY Audioread	CATEGORY AI Voices & Text to Speech
OUR GRADE 2.2 GPA, fair	

The report card

Best for articles, PDFs and emails as podcast audio

Audioread turns articles, PDFs and emails into audio in your podcast app. The free plan allows 3 articles a month at 1,000 characters each.

TOOLGPA REPORT CARD

Audioread

Graded Nov 13, 2026

SUBJECT	GRADE	COMMENT
Value for money	C	$9.99 a month for Pro, at the category's $9.99 middle.
Free plan and trial	C	Basic is free: 3 articles a month, up to 3 feeds and 1,000 characters per article.
Features	C	Many input types, a private podcast feed, voices, offline listening and team plans. The free plan is capped hard.
Ease of use	C	No store rating on record, and you connect a feed to a podcast app.
Platforms and integrations	B	Web, iOS and Android, with Apple Podcasts, Spotify and Slack. No desktop app.

Grade point average — Fair, out of 4.0 **2.2**

An A is worth 4 points, a B 3, a C 2, a D 1 and an F nothing. The GPA is the average of the five.

Who Audioread is for

- ✓ Fits if you listen to articles in your podcast app
- ✓ Works for a team of 2 to 9 on Team at $8.99 a user

Who it is not for

- ✗ Skip it if you listen to many articles, as Basic allows 3 a month
- ✗ Tight if you stay free: 1,000 characters per article
- ✗ Pricey if you go past the allotment, as packs are $15 per 1 million Pro characters or per 200,000 Premium ones
- ✗ Watch out: the yearly rate was not readable, and the FAQ mentions a 7-day trial with unreadable terms

Good to know

Good for

- ✓ People who want to listen to a reading backlog while commuting
- ✓ Students and readers who prefer audio for long documents

Worth knowing

- ⓘ The Basic plan allows only 3 articles a month at 1,000 characters each.
- ⓘ Extra characters are sold in packs: $15 per 1 million Pro characters or $15 per 200,000 Premium characters.
- ⓘ The page has a Monthly and Yearly toggle, but only $9.99 was readable, so the yearly rate is not recorded.
- ⓘ The FAQ mentions a 7-day trial, but its terms were not readable.

PART 02 · PRICING

What it costs

Every plan, the free plan, ways to pay less and how prices have moved

$9.99

A month to start. There is a free plan too

Audioread has a free plan. Paid plans start at $9.99 per month for Pro.

BASIC

$0

3 articles a month, up to 3 feeds, 1,000 characters (about 1 minute) per article.

PRO

$9.99

per month; yearly rate not confirmed

1 million characters a month, unlimited article length, premium voices, audio downloads and RSS feeds by URL.

TEAM

$8.99

per user / month for 2 to 9 users

Everything in Pro with central billing. $7.49 per user for 10 to 49 users and $5.99 for 50 to 199.

The free plan

Basic is free: 3 articles a month, up to 3 feeds and 1,000 characters per article.

Read from audioread.com on Nov 13, 2026.

What it does

Its main features, where it runs, what it works with and who makes it

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Places it runs: Web, iOS and Android

Turns articles, PDFs and emails into audio for podcast apps. Here is what it does, as its own site describes it, and what it covers: public API, AI features, read later, text to speech.

> **Many input types, a private podcast feed, voices, offline listening and team plans.**

From our grade for features

Many input types

Converts links, PDFs, DOCX and plain text, forwarded emails and RSS or Atom feeds.

Private podcast feed

Finished audio appears in a playlist and a private feed that works with Apple Podcasts, Spotify and other players.

Voices and languages

Nearly 1,000 AI voices across more than 150 languages.

Offline listening

Audio can be downloaded through a podcast app for listening without a connection.

Team plans

Volume pricing for organizations with central billing and optional admin controls.

Where it runs

Web · iOS · Android

What it works with

Apple Podcasts · Spotify · Slack

Audioread is made by Audioread.

PART 04 · STANDING

Where it stands

Its grades against its category, and whether to keep it or make your own

30/72

Other AI voice generators it is graded above

Audioread's GPA of 2.2 is higher than 30 of the 72 other AI voice generators we grade, and level with 16.

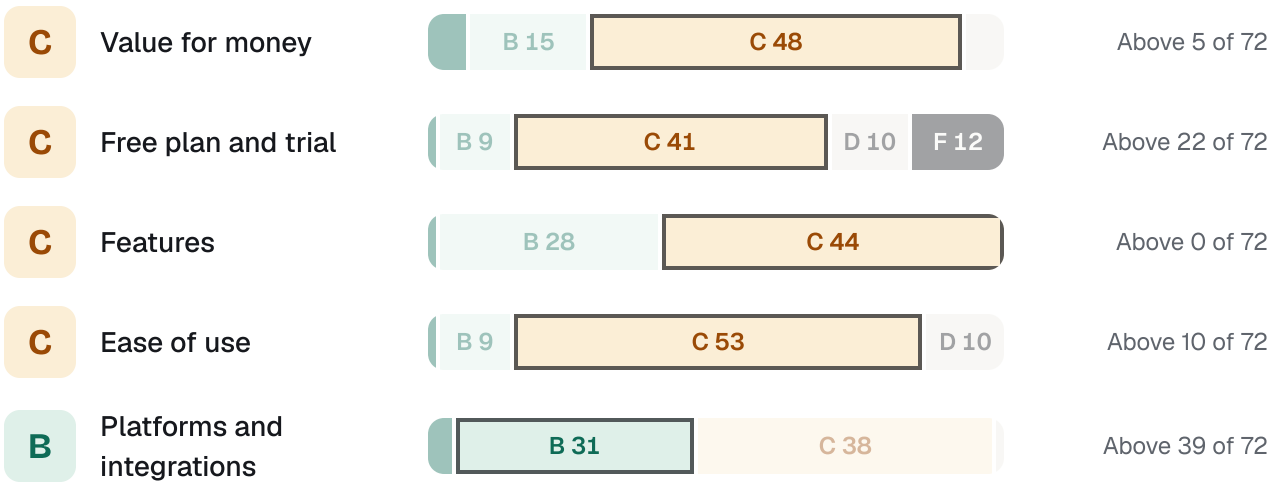
It stands best on platforms and integrations (B, above 39 of 72) and worst on features (C, above 0).

Its paid plans start at $9.99 a month, against a middle price of $9.99 for the category: 25 of the 50 others that charge start lower.

On features, ease of use and platforms it scores 2.3 out of 4. 8 tools score higher and cost less.

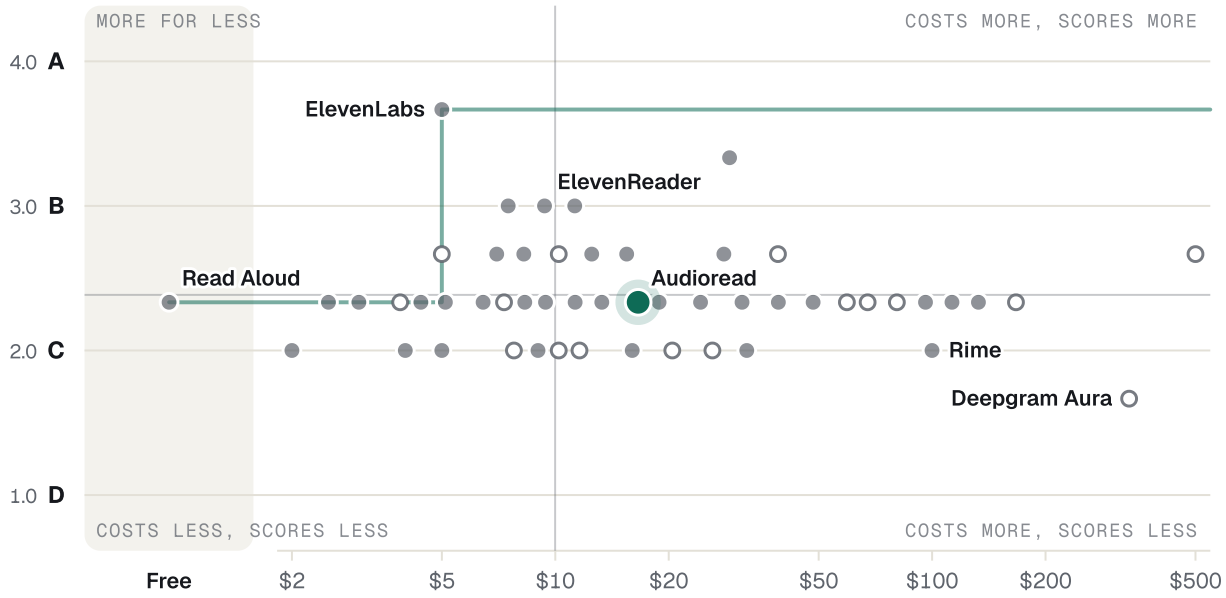
Each grade against the category

Every bar is all 73 AI voice generators we grade, cut by the letter each got. Audioread's own letter is outlined.



Price against what you get

Each dot is one of 52 AI voice generators. Further left costs less; higher up scores better on features, ease of use and platforms. Audioread is the marked dot.



What paid plans start at, a month (each step along is roughly double) ⍰

Keep it, or make your own?

Whether this is something you could build for yourself with an AI app builder, and what you would give up.

Keep it

To replace Audioread you would be making a voice model, which you can rent by the minute but not make. That is not a weekend's work, with an AI app builder or without one.

It costs $119.88 a year.

What you could make

- Read later: an app builder makes this well.

What you could not

- A voice model, which you can rent by the minute but not make.

- A real app for iOS and Android. Something home-made would be a web page.
- It plugs into other products, Apple Podcasts, Spotify and Slack among them, and has an API.
- AI features, unless you pay a model provider for each request yourself.

What this rests on. Audioread's listing: what it does, where it runs, what it plugs into and what it costs. It is a judgement about the kind of software this is. We have not built a replacement for it, and making your own means looking after it too. How we decide, and every tool's verdict.

The alternatives



The tools it is most often weighed against, side by side

Speechify, NaturalReader, ElevenReader, Voice Dream Reader and TTSReader

The 5 tools Audioread is most often weighed against, with where each one differs from it.

Speechify

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Free plan · from $29/mo

Text-to-speech reader for listening to documents and web pages.

- Only Speechify lists macOS and Windows apps.
- Only Speechify lists a browser extension.
- Audioread also covers read later.

Audioread and Speechify compared in full

NaturalReader

2.8 GPA

Free plan · from $9.92/mo

Text-to-speech reader for listening to documents, with a voiceover app.

- Only NaturalReader lists Windows and macOS apps.
- Only NaturalReader lists a browser extension.
- Audioread also covers read later.

Audioread and NaturalReader compared in full



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ElevenReader

Free plan · from $8.25/mo

Reader app that reads your files and audiobooks aloud in AI voices.

- Only ElevenReader lists a browser extension.

Audioread and ElevenReader compared in full



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Voice Dream Reader

Free trial · from $4.99/mo

Accessibility-minded reader app that speaks PDFs, books and web pages.

- Audioread has a free plan. Voice Dream Reader does not, though it has a free trial.
- Only Audioread lists a web app.
- Only Audioread lists an Android app.

Audioread and Voice Dream Reader compared in full



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TTSReader

Free plan · from $8.25/mo

Online text reader with free voices, premium AI voices and MP3 export.

- Only TTSReader lists a browser extension.

Audioread and TTSReader compared in full

Quick answers

The questions people ask about it, each answered in a line or two

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Questions, each answered in a line or two

The short version of everything above, for when you only need the answer. Each one is told in full in its part of the guide.

Is Audioread free?

Audioread has a free plan. Basic is free: 3 articles a month, up to 3 feeds and 1,000 characters per article.

How much does Audioread cost?

Audioread lists 3 plans. Basic: $0.

What platforms does Audioread work on?

Audioread is available on Web, iOS and Android.

Does Audioread have a Windows app?

No Windows app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 13, 2026. Audioread is listed for Web, iOS and Android.

Does Audioread have a macOS app?

No macOS app was listed when its pages were read on Nov 13, 2026. Audioread is listed for Web, iOS and Android.

Is Audioread open source?

Audioread is not described as open source on its own site, as read on Nov 13, 2026.

Does Audioread have an API?

Yes. Audioread offers a public API, according to its own site.

What does Audioread integrate with?

Audioread's listing names Apple Podcasts, Spotify and Slack. A listing names up to eight integrations, so it may connect to more.

Who makes Audioread?

Audioread is made by a company of the same name.

What are the alternatives to Audioread?

The closest alternatives to Audioread in our directory are Speechify, NaturalReader, ElevenReader, Voice Dream Reader and TTSReader.

How does Audioread compare with other AI voice generators?

Audioread's GPA of 2.2 is higher than 30 of the 72 other AI voice generators we grade, and level with 16.

Is Audioread good value for money?

ToolGPA grades Audioread C for value for money. Its paid plans start at $9.99 a month, against a middle price of $9.99 for the category: 25 of the 50 others that charge start lower.

Could I make my own version of Audioread?

To replace Audioread you would be making a voice model, which you can rent by the minute but not make.

Where this guide comes from

The prices, plans, platforms and features were read from Audioread's own pages on Nov 13, 2026, and the grades were given on Nov 13, 2026. Graded from this listing, whose facts were read from Audioread's own pages on 13 November 2026. Not based on using the product, and shorter than our full reviews.

Every tool we list gets five grades, A to F, each with its reason, and a GPA that averages them. How each is decided is at toolgpa.com/grades. This guide is ToolGPA's own work; it is not made, paid for or approved by Audioread. Prices change, so check audioread.com before you buy.

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PART 07 · ABOUT

About ToolGPA

Who made this guide, what else is on the site, and how to cite it

7,721

Tools graded, in 95 categories

ToolGPA grades software the way a school report grades a pupil: five subjects, a letter for each with the reason written beside it, and a GPA that averages them. Prices, plans and platforms are read from each maker's own pages and dated, so you always know how fresh a figure is.

Every grade, review and ranking on ToolGPA is our own judgement. No company can pay for a grade or change one. Every tool on the site has a guide like this one, free to download and pass on. It all lives at **toolgpa.com**.

7,721	95	739	579
tools graded	categories	price changes on record	apps priced in 12 countries

What else is on toolgpa.com

Audioread, kept up to date

Everything in this guide, with prices and grades as they are today

toolgpa.com/tools/audioread

How grades are given

The rules behind every letter and every GPA

toolgpa.com/grades

Value charts

What each tool costs against what it scores, for every category

toolgpa.com/charts

Compare

Any two tools side by side, plan by plan

toolgpa.com/compare

Price changes

Every price rise and cut on record, each with its source

toolgpa.com/price-changes

Prices by country

What apps cost on the App Store in 12 countries

toolgpa.com/prices-by-country

Pay less

Every public discount: yearly billing, students, nonprofits

toolgpa.com/save

Keep or make

Which tools are worth paying for, and which you could build yourself

toolgpa.com/keep-or-make

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Prices and grades as they are today

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The best-graded AI voice generators after Audioread, each with an Insider's Guide of its own.

AI Voices & Text to Speech Insider's Guide

Every one of the 73 AI voice generators we grade, compared

ElevenLabs Insider's Guide

AI voice platform for speech, voice cloning, dubbing and voice agents

3.0 GPA

Read Aloud Insider's Guide

Open-source browser extension that reads web pages aloud

3.0 GPA

ElevenReader Insider's Guide

Reader app that reads your files and audiobooks aloud in AI voices

2.8 GPA

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Choosing software? Every tool graded, every price dated.

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