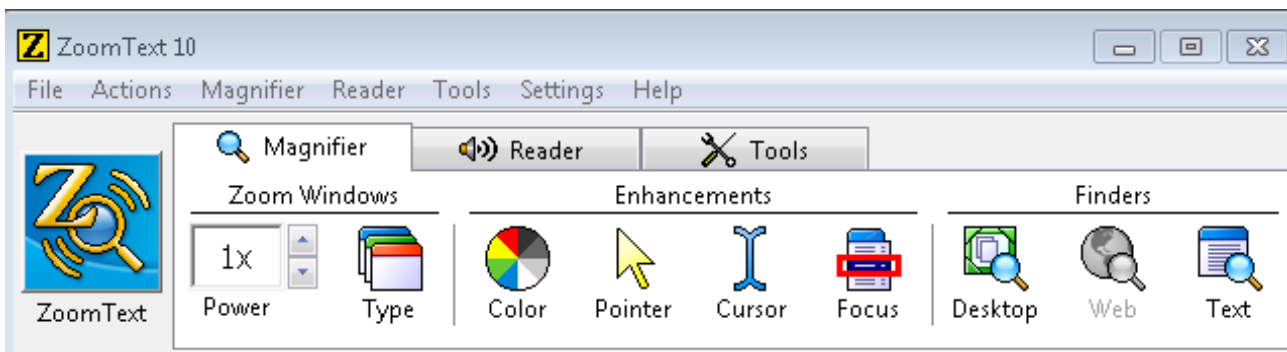# Magnification Options at Portland Community College

When users need magnification in a particular location, such as a computer lab or classroom location, modifications can be made as needed. In addition to specific accommodations, there are also proactive steps taken to ensure magnification is available in high traffic locations without need for specific request.

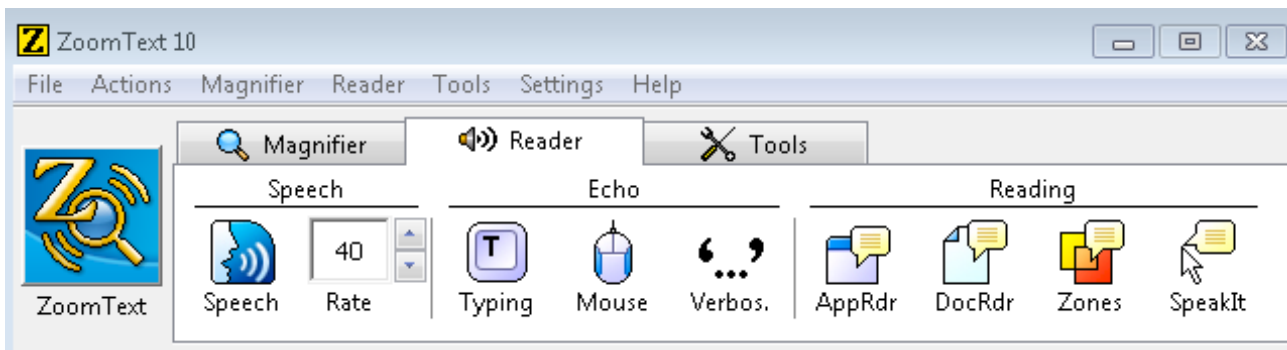Check the www.pcc.edu/adapt page for adaptive computing locations.

ZoomText 10 User Interface

ZoomText button Enables or disables ZoomText. When disabled, all magnification and speech features are turned off without exiting the program.

Magnifier tab Displays toolbar controls for ZoomText's magnification features.
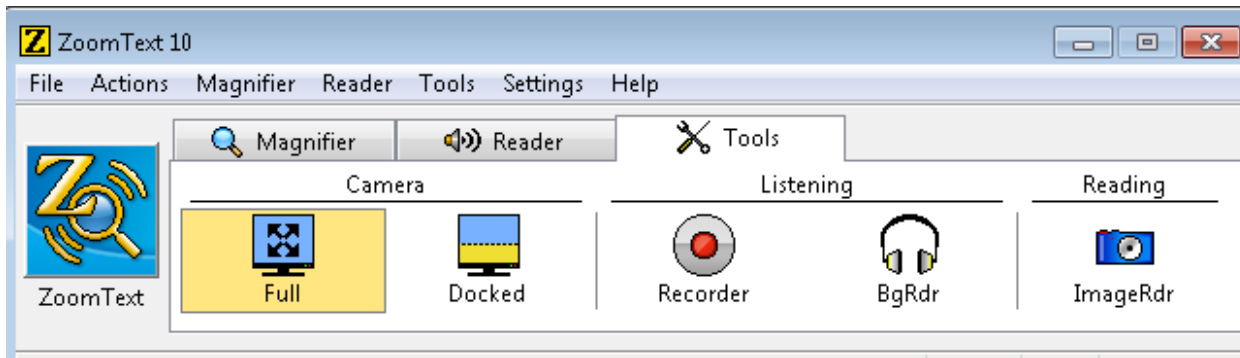
- Power (From 1.25 to 36)
- Type (Full, Overlay, Line, Lens, Dock, Freeze, Dual Monitor, etc)
- Themes for Color, Pointer, Cursor, and Focus
- Finders to locate items on the desktop, on the web, or in particular text

Reader tab Displays toolbar controls for ZoomText's screen reading features.

- Speech button turns speech on or off and Rate can be adjusted from 0 to 100
- Echo for typing or mouse activity with verbosity settings to adjust details of what is spoken
- AppRdr - reads from open application
- DocRdr - reads in own window
- Zones - lets users dictate which areas from within other programs should be read
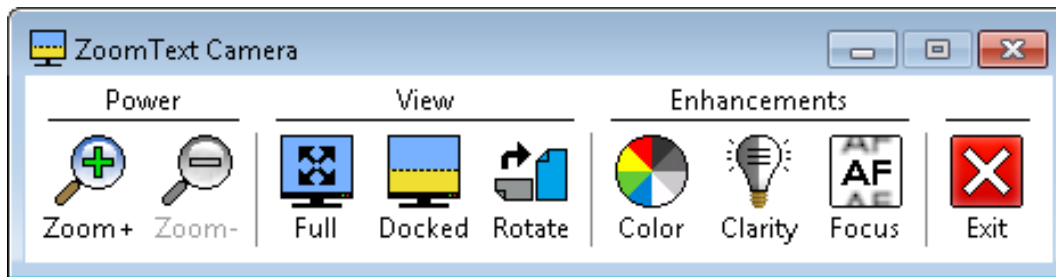- SpeakIt - reads whatever the mouse is over

Magnification Options at Portland Community College (contd.)

Tools tab Displays toolbar controls for ZoomText's camera and listening features and the ImageReader

- Camera works best with the ZoomText HD Camera and stand setup – Docked mode is recommended
- Listening tools include a recorder to create MP3 and a BgRdr to listen from clipboard while working
- ImageRdr is a companion product

Using The ZoomText Camera

The ZoomText Camera window

- Magnification level can be adjusted
- Start in Docked mode and be sure to note the keyboard shortcuts before going full screen
- Color schemes are available that ar esimiliar to the schemes through magnificaation
- Clarity is one of the most important settings – it can adjust for lighting irregularities
- Focus is usually best in the default autofocus mode, but if needed, manual focus can be engaged

Note – The ZoomText Camera is a great CCTV alternative for viewing documents and other materials from a desktop surface, but other tools are better suited for distance viewing.

- MagniLink can work well as a portable CCTV for distance as well as close up viewing
- Ipads can work well – but often a stand is helpful

Contact Disability Services with questions or concerns about Magnification Options at PCC – disability.services@pcc.edu