



Accessibility and Usability in Cengage Learning Educational Materials

Cengage Learning is committed to making its educational materials accessible to users of all abilities. Through a dedicated company-wide task force, the assistance of outside experts and consultants, and feedback from users, Cengage Learning continuously seeks to identify and evaluate opportunities for improving the usability and accessibility of our products and services.

Services and Compliance

Cengage Learning provides PDF or DOC files on demand, at no charge, to DSS offices upon request for qualified students with disabilities.

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Accessibility Practices

WCAG: As of March 2010, Cengage Learning policies require all new website development to meet Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.0, Level AA, as recommended by The World Wide Web Consortium (W3C). Following these guidelines, Cengage Learning content is accessible to a wider range of people with disabilities, including blindness and low vision, deafness and hearing loss, learning disabilities, cognitive limitations, limited mobility, photosensitivity and many others.

Audio-Visual Materials: For many years, Cengage Learning-produced videos have included closed-captioning. Since August 2009, audio-visual materials used in Cengage Learning products are required to be close-captioned with accompanying transcripts.

PowerPoint Presentations: Since summer 2014, revisions to PowerPoint presentations must meet WCAG 2.0 standards.



Accessibility



- *CengageNOW* online courses offer high contrast and well-structured HTML and more accessibility to users with assistive technologies.
- *Aplia online* homework student registration and course management pages conform with Section 508 of the U.S. Rehabilitation Act: working with screen readers, and providing keyboard navigation and more usable forms. We continue to re-engineer Aplia for all users by converting Flash content. Future releases will include additional visual options and further accessibility of problem sets. All digital solutions support browser settings for high-contrast narrative text, variable font sizes, and multiple foreground and background color options.

Cengage Learning has teamed with the American Foundation for the Blind and other industry partners to identify barriers for continuous improvement towards better accessibility for all. More importantly, we engage actual students using assistive technologies in our product evaluations.

Differently Abled Students Love Cengage Learning

“This is the most accessible textbook I have ever been able to read!” – *MindTap user*

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Accessibility



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Accessibility



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Gale Electronic Products

Gale strives continually to make its products universally accessible and user-friendly and to bring its user experience into full alignment with Section 508 standards and WCAG 2.0 Level A and AA success criteria.

[Gale Accessibility Policy »](#)

An Ongoing Commitment to Accessibility

Cengage Learning is committed to increasing accessibility via a full spectrum of usable tools, features and choices that are accessible for users of all abilities. All new Cengage Learning products and services are designed with accessibility in mind. We also conduct ongoing evaluations of existing products and services to implement enhancements as feasible. As we continue to enhance our solutions, we will update this information.

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Accessibility



effective product design, learning solutions and personalized services - all to help people learn. We understand that an engaged learner is a successful one and we are leading the transition to digital with a unique faculty AND student perspective to transform learning through engagement. Our name itself reinforces this core commitment - "engage" is at the "center" of all we do.

