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Read&Write for Google Chrome – Word Prediction

Introduction

Word prediction is a feature of many word processing software that will provide the user with suggestions of words based on the initial letters typed. Word prediction assists students who have difficulties spelling and/or students who have low written output due to mobility issues.

Learning Objectives

Completion of this tutorial will give you experience with the following:

- Activate the word prediction feature in Read&Write for Google Chrome
- Listening to words in the prediction list
- Inserting suggested words into a Google Documents page

This tutorial assumes:

- Access to Google Chrome browser on a Windows, Mac or Chromebook computer and NOT a tablet.
- Read&Write extension for Google Chrome is installed.
- Access to the premium features. Click here to find out how.
- Access to the internet.

Case Study

Carl is a student in grade five. Carl has some great ideas, but he has difficulty putting them into words as he has poor spelling and writing is difficult for him using a traditional pen and paper. Using a laptop with word prediction will allow Carl to focus on his ideas rather than get bogged down by the technicalities of getting the correct spelling. Furthermore, the use of a keyboard will improve Carl's written output particularly if he does not need to type out the entire word.

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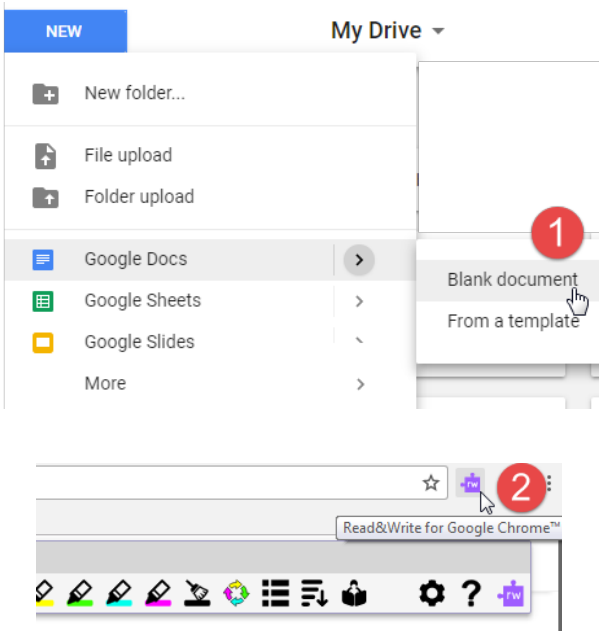
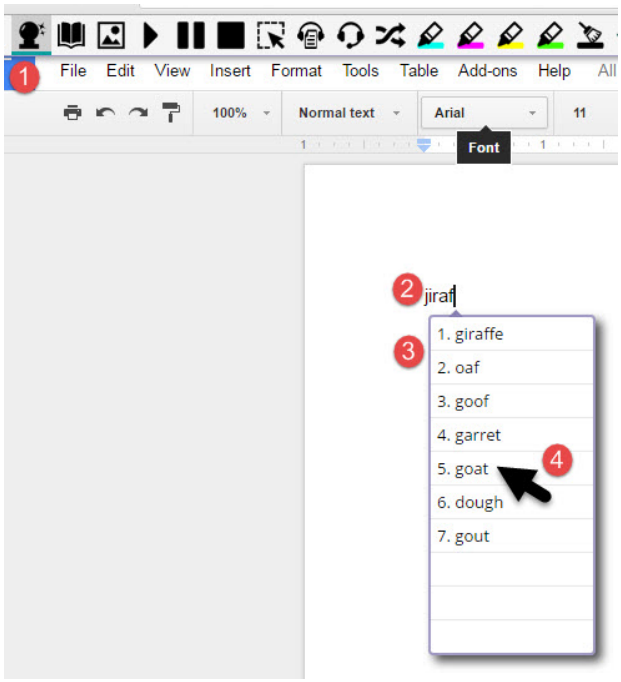
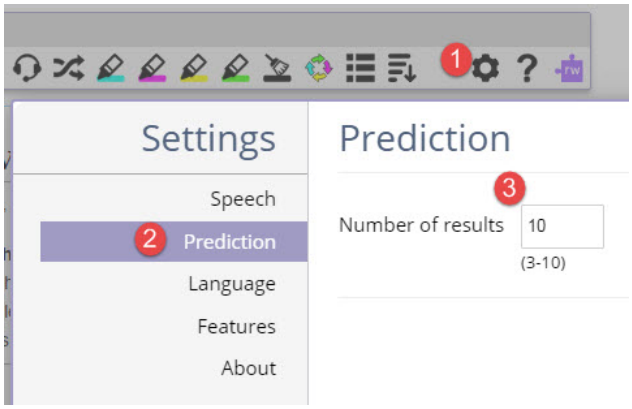
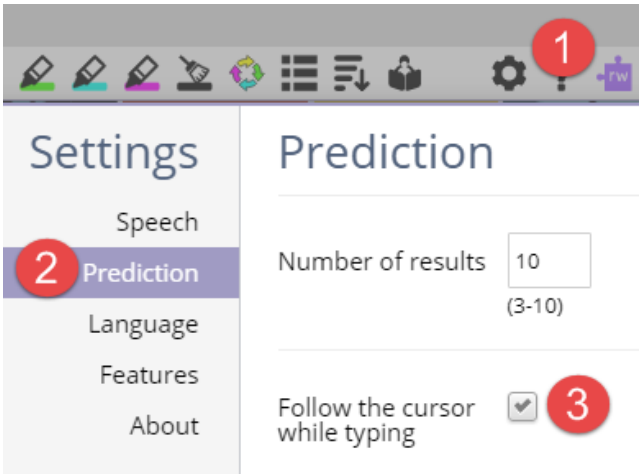
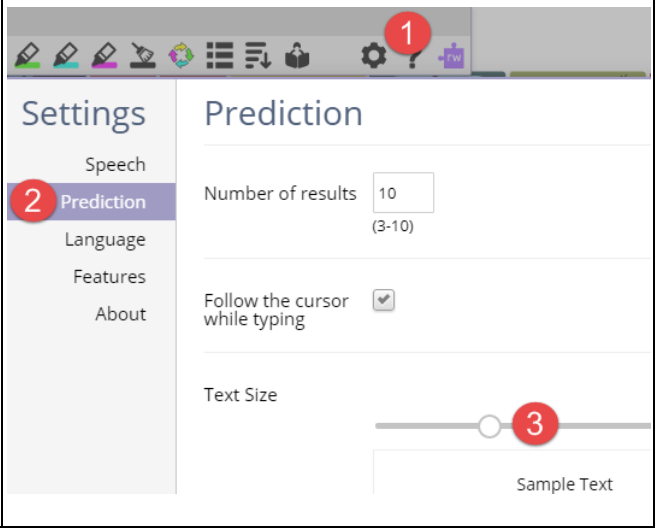
Word prediction using Read&Write for Google Chrome

1	**Create** (1) a *New* document in Google Documents using your Google drive in the Chrome web browser. **Ensure** that the Read&Write Chrome extension is running. If the extension is active, a purple icon will appear in the top right hand corner of the Chrome window. **Click** on the icon (2) to activate the Read&Write toolbar.	
2	**Activate** the *Word Prediction* tool by **clicking** on the icon in the tool bar (1). **Type** a word in the document (2). A list of words will appear in the word prediction window with a number to the left of each word. The words in the prediction window will change depending on the letter combinations that are typed (3). **Listen** to each word by **hovering** the cursor over the word. **Insert** words by **clicking** on the word or by **pressing** *Ctrl + the number* next to the word. (4).	

3	The number of words predicted can be configured in the settings menu. **Select** the *Settings* icon (1). **Select** *Prediction* in the *Settings* list (2). **Select** the number of prediction results (between 3 to 10) to be displayed (3).	
4	The word prediction window can follow the cursor as the user is typing, or choose to place it by the toolbar. **Select** the *Settings* icon (1). **Select** *Prediction* in the *Settings* list (2). **Check mark,** or **uncheck** the *Follow the cursor while typing* box (3).	
	The text size of the prediction words may be decreased or increased. **Select** the *Settings* icon (1). **Select** *Prediction* in the *Settings* list (2). **Toggle** the *Text Size* menu left or right to see the *Sample Text* decrease or increase (3).