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NextUp.com has New Premium Voices for _TextAloud_

TextAloud, the leading Text to Speech software, has 17 new optional Nuance RealSpeak Solo® _Voices available for purchase now_

CLEMMONS, NC – Text to Speech leader **NextUp.com (http://www.NextUp.com)**, a division of NextUp Technologies, LLC, announces the exciting addition of several new **Nuance RealSpeak Solo® Voices** to the array of Premium Voices for its popular software _TextAloud_.

TextAloud is the simple, affordable and convenient PC program from NextUp that enables users everywhere to listen to their reading "on the go," in natural, human-sounding speech. Unlike some of the latest expensive gadgets and eReaders, _TextAloud_ doesn't require special hardware, and allows PC users to export their reading into sound files for listening on just about any format desired – from portable MP3 players, to iPhones and iPods, Blackberries, laptops, or simple export to CD. The seventeen new vocal options now available from Nuance RealSpeak for _TextAloud_ further enhance an assortment of Premium Voices that already included dozens of languages and accents from across the globe.

"The new Solo® Voices now available for _TextAloud_ from Nuance RealSpeak have already proven very popular with users," comments **Rick Ellis**, President of NextUp.com. "We're delighted to be able to add these superb new Premium Voices to our array of Nuance RealSpeak voices, and in several different languages, as well!"

The new Nuance RealSpeak Solo® Voices are priced at $45 apiece, with each high-quality SAPI5 voice averaging around 100MB in disk space per voice. Each Nuance RealSpeak Solo® Voice supports speed (but not pitch) adjustment, and the new U.S. English voices are also supported by _TextAloud_'s Advanced Phoneme-based Pronunciation Editor. The new voices include U.K. British, Irish, Scottish, Taiwanese Mandarin, Spanish, Danish, Italian, Basque, Catalan, Hindi, Icelandic, Czech, Norwegian, Swedish, Finish, and Turkish. They are

available via download or CD, depending on the user's preference, and can be sampled and purchased at **http://www.nextup.com/nuance.html** or **http://sites.fastspring.com/nextup/product/RealSpeak**.

About *TextAloud*

A highly useful PC program for students, scientists, writers, business people, students and people from all walks of life, *TextAloud* has been featured in *The New York Times, PC Magazine, Writer's Digest*, on CNN, and more. Hailed by critics and users alike, *TextAloud* is priced from $29.95, and is compatible with systems using Windows® 98, NT, 2000, XP and Vista. *TextAloud* can even be listened to on TV, using Tivo's® Home Media Option, and also works seamlessly with iTunes, for easy synching with iPod®, iPhone™, or other iTunes-compatible portable audio players. The program is available for fast, safe and secure purchase via **http://www.NextUp.com**.

In addition to **Nuance®**, NextUp.com also offers *TextAloud* with optional Premium Voices from **AT&T Natural Voices™, Acapela®** and **Cepstral®** for the most natural-sounding computer speech anywhere. Available languages include U.S. English, U.K. English, Indian-Accent English, Scottish-Accent English, Arabic, Basque, Catalan, Cantonese Chinese, Mandarin Chinese, Czech, Danish, Dutch, Belgian Dutch, Faroese, Finnish, French, Canadian French, German, Greek, Hindi, Icelandic, Irish, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Norwegian, Polish, Brazilian Portuguese, European Portuguese, Russian, Castilian (European) Spanish, Latin American Spanish, Mexican Spanish, Swedish, Taiwanese, and Turkish.

About NextUp.com

NextUp.com, a division of NextUp Technologies, LLC, provides award-winning Text to Speech software for consumers, professionals, businesses, educators, and those with visual or vocal impairment, or learning disabilities.

In addition to *TextAloud*, NextUp.com markets other innovative Windows software designed to save time and deliver vital information. NextUp *Talker* is an easy and affordable program that enables people who have lost their voices to use the latest in high-quality computer voices to communicate aloud with others.

Evaluation copies of *TextAloud* are available upon request. For more information on NextUp.com or *TextAloud*, its additional Nuance RealSpeak voices, or for a rich assortment of case studies involving users ranging from firefighters and lawyers, to writers, editors, teachers, actors, students, entrepreneurs, doctors, truck drivers, musicians, and more, please contact publicist Angela Mitchell at **(904) 982-8043** or via *Admitchell@Nextup.com*.

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