

The Anne Sullivan Foundation's Assistive Technology (AT) Guide

What is it?

Within this guide you will find items we have selected for our Assistive Technology library.

We have picked these pieces in consultation with members of the deafblind community in Ireland. ATs are designed to improve the quality of life for the user.

AT equipment ranges from low to high tech. Each product within this guide has been chosen because it supports communication, leisure, independence, and safety.

Why are we doing this?

We wanted to create a library of equipment that would give the deafblind community in Ireland an opportunity to try a product before purchasing.

AT can often have an expensive price tag with no guarantee it will be suitable for the user. Items chosen for the AT library are ones that we regularly recommend to clients. A member of our Outreach Team will provide support and training in any of the loaned equipment.

While we try to remain on top of the latest developments in AT, it is not always possible as it is an area that is constantly changing. We will welcome any suggestions of new items we can add to our library.

Get in contact

Please get in touch with us if you would like to avail of our onsite specialised equipment, loan an item or to visit our AT hub.

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ATs available for loan

- 1 Ally Envision Glasses
- 2 Amazon Echo Dot (Alexa)
- 3 Bellman Amplifier
- 4 Doro Universal Remote
- 5 Go Box+
- 6 Hable One
- 7 iPad
- 8 Liquid Level Indicator
- 9 One Cup Water Boiler
- 10 Smart Plug
- 11 Simply Works Energise
- 12 Sonic Bomb Alarm Clock

- 13 Soup Maker
- 14 Talking Cube Clock
- 15 Talking Food Thermometer
- 16 Talking Kitchen Scales
- 17 Wearable Bluetooth Speaker
- 18 WeWalk Smart Cane
- 19 Woojer Haptic Strap
- 20 Xrai Glasses

We also have a selection of board games in accessible formats (Braille, large print, tactile) which are available to loan and use in our hub.

Other ATs

NOTE: These are NOT for loan but can be used onsite at The Anne Sullivan Foundation's AT hub.

- 1 The Braille printer
(Used to print articles and short stories)
- 2 The Swell Form Graphics Machine
(Used to print tactile graphics such as pictures and maps)

1 Ally Envision Glasses

Ally Envision Glasses use AI to describe the environment, recognise faces, read text, and identify objects. They provide spoken feedback through built-in audio, helping users navigate and understand their surroundings more independently.



2 Amazon Echo Dot (Alexa)

The Amazon Alexa allows you to search the web with your voice and control appliances and lights that are connecting via smart plug.



3 Bellman Amplifier

This amplifier connects to wired headphones. Point the control in the direction of the person (or tv/radio) you want to hear and it amplifies the sound.



4 Doro Universal Remote

This remote is user friendly with only the necessary buttons in a large size.



5 Go Box+

The GoBox+ can increase subtitles up to 4x and change the contrast i.e black background with yellow text.



6 Hable One

A Braille keyboard designed to operate smartphones and tablets.



7 iPad

11" iPad pro to connect online with friends, access the news, use apps etc. The iPad has the same accessibility settings as an iPhone.



8 Liquid Level Indicator

Place this device on the rim of your mug and it will beep and vibrate when liquid touches the metal prongs.



9 One Cup Water Boiler

A safe and easy way to make hot drinks independently. The setting on top allows the user to select the amount of hot water to dispense by turning the dial.



10 Smart Plug

This Amazon smart plug works with Alexa to add voice control to any electrical socket. This can be used to schedule lights and appliances to turn them on or off or control them remotely while you're away.



11 Simply Works Energise

The SimplyWorks allows the user to control up to 2 electrical appliances with wired switches.



12 Sonic Bomb Alarm Clock

This alarm clock has adjustable volume and tone. The vibrating pad can be placed under the pillow.



13 Soup Maker

Chop up your ingredients, put them in the jug along with water and press one button and your next meal is on it's way!



14 Talking Cube Clock

This cube clock has a high contrast button that when pressed, gives the time. Has the function to set an alarm.



15 Talking Food Thermometer

For checking food temperatures quick and easy with this simple one-button talking thermometer.



16 Talking Kitchen Scales

Measure and weigh liquids and solids with the talking kitchen scales.



17 Wearable Bluetooth Speaker

This speaker is a great option for a user to get vibrotactile feedback from music. Could be used in circle time or music classes and is easy to connect to any phone, tablet etc.



18 WeWALK Smart Cane

The WeWALK Smart Cane is a mobility aid for people who are blind or visually impaired. It uses obstacle-detection sensors, voice guidance, and smartphone navigation.



19 Woojer Haptic Strap

Connect the strap to your music source to feel haptic feedback. Feel the vibrations of the music through your core.



20 Xrai Glasses

When connected to the Xrai app via a compatible smart phone, these glasses provide live subtitles.

