

How to... convert to a Daisy talking book with Dolphin EasyConverter

This step-by-step guide will show you how to create a Daisy book from a Microsoft Word document or text file.

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Step 1: Start your conversion from here

To start the project choose 'New Project'. This will take you to the first stage of the Conversion Wizard.



Step 2: Project information

Choose a name for your project.

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Project name:

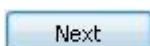
This section shows where the project will be saved. Use the 'Browse' button to change the location.

Select a path to save your project to. Use the "Browse" button to change where the project is saved to.

Project path:

Complete project path:

Choose 'Next' to continue.

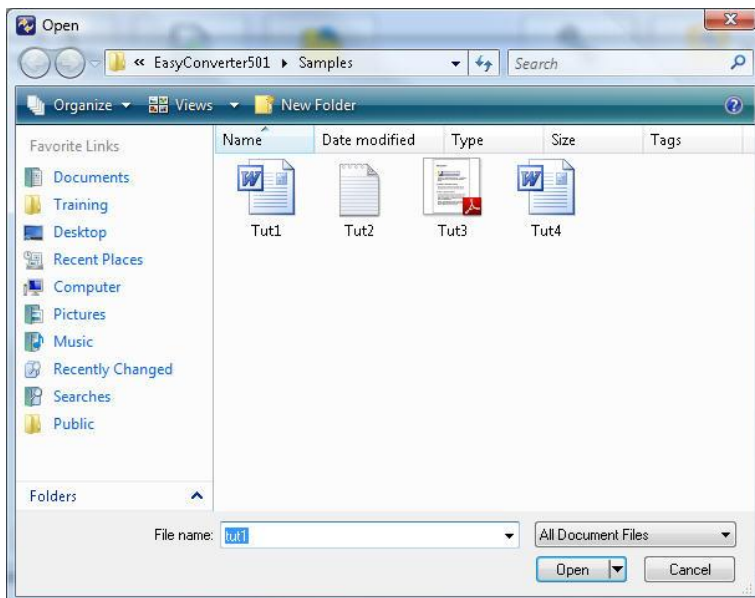


Step 3: Choose your input document

Select 'Open a document' and then 'Browse'.



This will open Windows Explorer where you can select a document to use for your conversion.



Choose 'Next' to continue to the next stage of the conversion wizard.



Step 4: Document settings

Choose 'Yes' to have EasyConverter automatically detect any headings in your document.

Choose if you want EasyConverter to automatically detect the headings in your document.

Use heading detection during conversion:

Yes

No

In the second set of radio buttons choose 'Yes' if you want to edit your document in Microsoft Word before converting it.

Decide if you want to edit your document in Microsoft Word before converting.

Edit the intermediate document in Microsoft Word during conversion:

Yes

No

Choose 'Next' to move onto the next stage of the conversion wizard.

Next

Step 5: Choose your alternative format

Choose DTB from the drop down list box at the top of the screen.

New output type:

Choose your DTB type from the second drop down list box.

Choose the type of DTB you require.
DTB Type:

Choose 'Yes' to create a DTB that contains its own speech synthesiser. If you choose 'Yes' then select your preferred voice and lexicon.

Select your DTB audio settings.
Generate DTB audio with speech synthesiser:
 Yes
Voice:
Lexicon:
 No

Select 'Next' to move onto the next stage of the conversion wizard.

Step 6: Choose your output name for DTB

Choose a name for your conversion. By default this will be the name of your input document.

Choose a name for your conversion.

New output:

EasyConverter can add extra information to the end of your chosen file name. These differ depending on the output. If converting to Daisy you can choose to add 'DTB', the date the file was created, the voice used or the lexicon used. Uncheck the checkbox if you do not wish this extra information to be added.

Append selected item to the output name

- (DTB)
- (28-10-2009 1052)
- (Voice ScanSoft Daniel_Full_22kHz)
- (No Lexicon)

The final section on the page shows the location and name of the final output.

Output folder:

Select 'Next' to move onto the next stage of the conversion wizard.

Next

Step 7: Copy your alternative format

Your project will be saved automatically but you can choose to save a second copy to a different folder, CD/DVD or USB device. These options change depending on what type of output you have chosen, for example if the output were large print then an option would be available to print.

Copy it to:

The following options will change depending on what option you chose in the previous list box.

Copy your conversion to a USB device.

Folder:

Select 'Next' to move onto the next stage of the conversion wizard.

Step 8: Start the conversion

Select 'Finish' to begin the conversion.



Step 9: Intermediate document editor

If you chose to edit the document before converting then this is the stage when the intermediate document editor will open and your document will be opened in Microsoft Word.



After making any changes necessary select 'Save and return' to continue with the conversion. The 'Conversion in process' window will then appear. When it has reached 100% select 'Done' to complete the conversion and return to the EasyConverter main screen.



Step 10: Resulting alternative formats

Choose 'View output' to view your conversion. How this opens will differ depending on what the format is. A text file will open in Windows Notepad; an MP3 will open in Windows Media Player.



A Daisy book (DTB) will open in Dolphin EasyReader.

