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**LyriQ Reader**



**USER MANUAL**

ver. 1.5

# 1 Introduction

LyriQ is an electronic text-to-speech device for people who are blind and for those with a visual impairment. Enjoy reading any printed material, such as letters, newspapers, and books, and hear them read aloud in a natural sounding voice.

## 2 What's in the box

- LyriQ device
- Power supply / charger
- Keypad (optional) and keypad USB charging cable

## 3 Unpacking and powering up LyriQ

1. Place the LyriQ onto a flat surface. Open the camera arm by lifting it up.
2. Plug the power adapter into an outlet, and plug the other end into the LyriQ power port located on the left side of the base.
3. Press and hold power button located on the left side of the base for 3 seconds. You will hear some beeps and soon after the phrase "Place your document."

To Power LyriQ off, press and hold power button for 3 seconds.

## 4 How to read with LyriQ

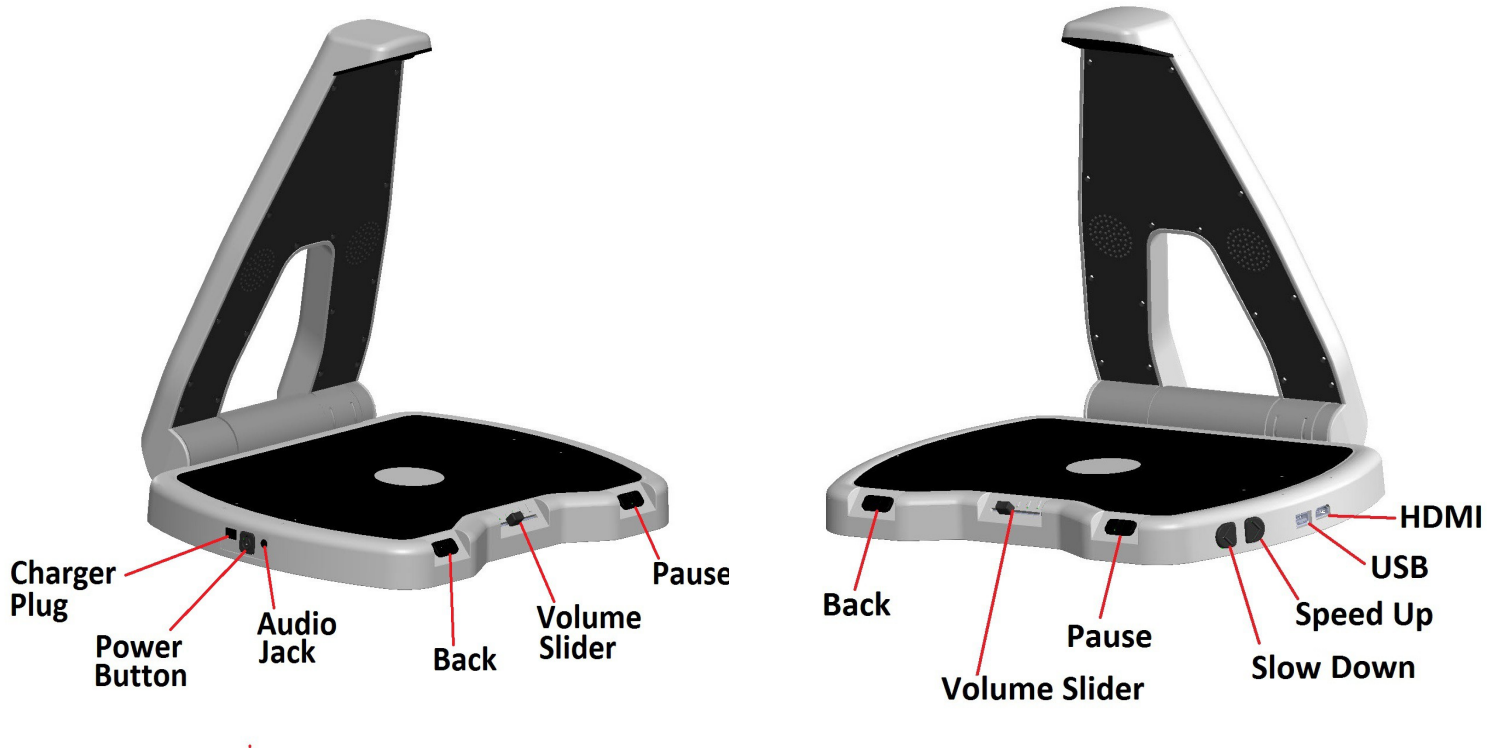
Place your document with the text facing up on the base and make sure it is not moving. If needed, place the document towards an edge to ensure that the text is not being blocked by your hands. Once the document has been placed, you will hear the shutter sound that a camera makes, and in a few seconds, LyriQ will be reading your document aloud.

## 5 Controlling LyriQ

There are 3 methods to control LyriQ:

1. Base Buttons
2. Hand Gesture Controls
3. Keypad (if optional keypad is included)

### 5.1 Base Buttons Control



LyriQ has four control buttons on the base

- **Pause/resume button** located on the front right side of the LyriQ base. Press this button while the LyriQ is reading to pause reading. Press it again to resume reading.
- **Back button** located on the front left side of the LyriQ base. Press this button to repeat the previous sentence. Each press takes the reader back one sentence. Press it once to repeat the previous sentence, twice to go back two sentences and so on.
- **Reading speed buttons** shaped as two semi-circles located on the right side of the base. The slow down button is located closer to the front of the device. Press the slow down button to read slower. The speed up button, directly next to the slow down button, is closer to the back of the device. Press the speed up button to read faster.
- **Volume control slider** located in the front center of the device. Move the slider to the left to decrease the volume, and to the right to increase the volume.

## 5.2 *Hand gesture controls*

Hand gesture is the easiest and most simple way to control LyriQ. Hand Gesture controls are disabled by default. To enable, press the pause/resume button for 3 seconds.

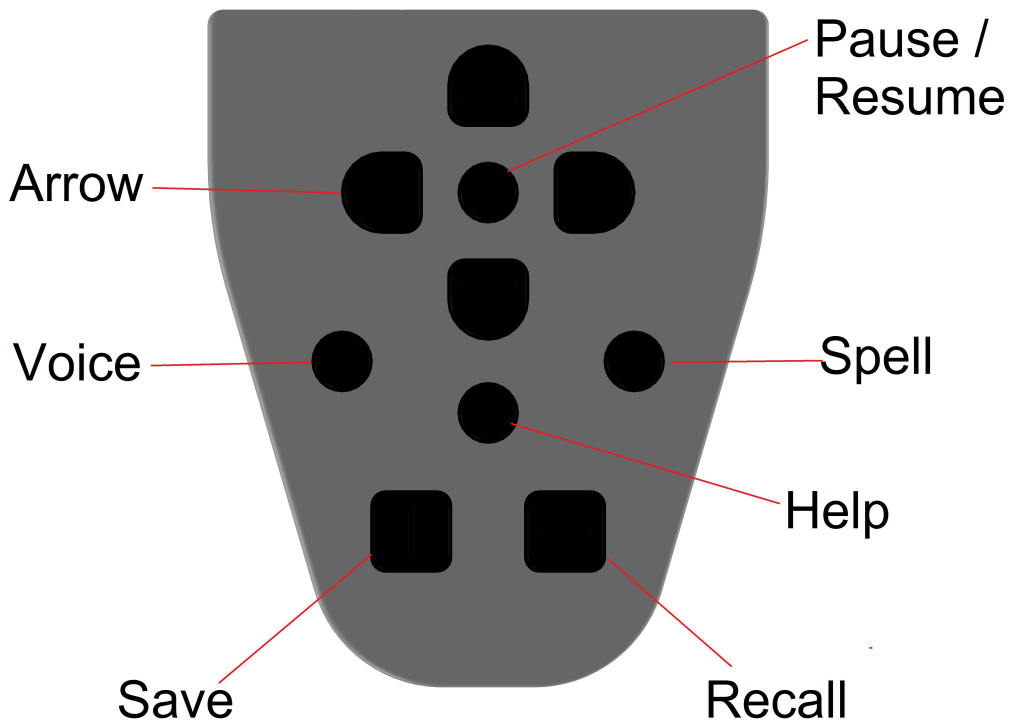
To pause or resume reading: move your hand slowly just above the document from the left to the right.

To go back to a previous sentence: move your hand slowly just above the document from the right to the left. Repeat multiple times to reach desired sentence.

Please note that the above hand gestures work only when document is on the LyriQ base.

## 5.3 *Keypad controls*

If optional keypad is included, LyriQ can be controlled by the keypad.



**Help Button:** This is the round button located in the center of the keypad. Press the help button together with any other button to hear a description of the button and its function. Press the button on its own to hear general help information.

**Pause / Resume Button:** This is the round button located on the top of the keypad in the center of the arrow keys. This button will pause and resume reading.

**Arrow Buttons:** These are the four moon-shaped buttons located around Pause/Resume button.

**Spell Button:** This is the round button located to the right of the help button. Press the spell button to hear the spelling of the current word.

**Voice Button:** This is the round button located to the left of the help button. Press the voice button to change voice or language.

**Save Button:** This is the square button located on the lower left side of the keypad. Hold down the save button and one of the arrow buttons at the same time and the device will save the image and say "image saved." Up to four pages can be saved with one page designated to each arrow button.

**Recall Button:** This is the square button located on the lower right side of the keypad. Hold down the recall button and press one of the arrow buttons to read a previously saved page. The device will say "reading image" and then read the saved image.

**Note:** Keypad automatically turns off when it is attached behind LyriQ camera arm. Keep keypad attached in place when not in use. Remove keypad before using.

## 6 Using keypad navigation buttons

Optional keypad can be used for advanced navigation. Use arrow up and arrow down keys to select whether you want to navigate by character, word, sentence or paragraph.

Use the left and right arrow buttons to go backward and forward respectively.

## 7 Summary of commands

<b>Command</b>	<b>Keys on device</b>	<b>Keys on keypad</b>
Pause or resume reading	Pause/resume button	Pause/resume button
Go back one sentence	Back button	See using keypad section
Increase reading speed	Speed up button	
Decrease reading speed	Slow down button	
Enable/disable gestures	Pause/resume button long press	
Switch voice from speaker to paired Bluetooth headset / hearing aid (Bluetooth LyriQ only)	Press pause/resume button and speed up button together for 3 seconds	Press and hold voice and arrow up buttons for 3 seconds
Switch voice/language (alternate through all languages installed). See Note1.	Press pause/resume button and slow down button together for 3 seconds	Press voice button
Hear general help		Press and hold help button
Hear help of any button on the keypad		Press and hold help button, then press the button to hear help
Enable/disable read through columns. See Note2.	Press speed up and slow down buttons together prior to placing a document	Press arrow left and arrow right buttons together
Spell current word		Press and hold spell button
Save current page into one of four memory slots		Press save button and one of arrow buttons.
Read page saved in one of four memory slots		Press recall button and one of arrow buttons.
Enter menu	Press back button and speed up button together for 3 seconds	
Hear battery level (if battery is installed)	Press back button for 3 seconds	

Note1. When switching language you will hear the beep, then announcement of a new language. If page OCR is not complete, language cannot be switched until OCR finished. In that case you will hear beep and not the announcement.

Note2. Reading through columns is enabled for the next scanned page only.

## 8 Menu navigation

Command	Key on device
Next menu item	Slow down button
Previous menu item	Speed up button
Select item	Pause/resume button
Go back to previous level/exit	Back button

## 9 Menu

Press and hold Back and Speed Up buttons together for 3 seconds to enter menu. The menu items are:

### 1 Bluetooth

1.1 Scan for devices (or Paired device is device is paired)

1.2 Exit

### 2 Languages

List of available voices and languages. Each language/voice can be individually enabled and disabled.

### 3 Options

### 4 About

Information about serial number and software version

### 5 Exit

## 10 Bluetooth

If equipped with optional Bluetooth module, LyriQ can output audio to Bluetooth wireless headsets. In order to use a wireless headset, it has to be paired with LyriQ. In order to pair:

- Enter the main menu.
- Select **Bluetooth**.
- Enable pairing mode on your headset.
- Select **Scan for Devices**. LyriQ will start searching for devices, and after 10-20 seconds will list found devices.
- Use speed up/down keys to select the device you want to pair with. Press pause/resume to pair.

## 11 Saving Books with LyriQ

LyriQ allows you to save books or multi-page documents on a USB flash drive. In order to scan a book:

- plug in USB flash drive to LyriQ USB port located on the right side of the base.
- Wait until “USB storage detected” announcement.
- Place first page of the book on LyriQ base. Wait until “Page saved” announcement.
- Repeat previous step for all the pages.

After all desired pages are scanned, press Pause/Resume button. LyriQ will convert all scanned pages to text and MP3.

## 12 Reading saved books with LyriQ

LyriQ allows you to read books previously saved to the USB flash drive. In order to read a saved book:

- Plug in USB flash drive to Hark USB port located on the right side of the base. Wait until “USB storage detected” announcement.
- Press Back and Speed up buttons together for 3 seconds to enter the menu.

*Note:* If USB flash drive is inserted, LyriQ will enter Book Reading Menu instead of Main Menu.

- Press Speed down button to scroll to desired book.
- Press Pause to enter the book. Press Speed down to scroll to desired page.
- Press Pause to start reading the page.

*Note:* Although LyriQ has an option to convert all the saved books to text and MP3 formats (see chapter 11), it is not necessary to do that in order to use LyriQ to read saved books.

## 13 Advanced Visual Features of LyriQ

LyriQ can display scanned text on the external monitor. The external monitor can be connected to the left side of the base. The optional keypad is required to change fonts and colors. All visual adjustments are controlled by the keypad.

- Hold the Spell button and press arrow up and arrow down keys to change the font
- Hold the Spell button and press arrow left and arrow right keys to change the colors

There are two visual modes: normal mode and running line mode. Running line mode is disabled by default. Running line mode can be enabled in the Options section of the main menu.

If running line is enabled, hold the Spell button and press the pause button in order to switch between the modes.

**Warning:** In running line mode, LyriQ will have no audio feedback while reading scanned material. Do not enable running line mode unless you plan to always use LyriQ with the monitor.



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