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HyperCard: MacinTalk and Speech Recognition (9/95)

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TOPIC -----

Is there anyone out there who has, or knows of, specific XCMDs for HyperCard that make use of the MacinTalk speech synthesis file?

On a similar note, has MacinTalk ever been updated beyond 1.3.1?

DISCUSSION -----

MacinTalk is used in combination with Apple's Text to Speech software. It enables your Macintosh to provide Text to Speech capabilities for applications that support Text to Speech. SimpleText is an example of an application that supports Text to Speech.

HyperCard 2.2 supports sound better than HyperCard 2.1. There is an XCMD available from Jeff Iverson Software of Burnsville, Minn. that supports HyperCard 2.2 with Sound Manager 3.0.

HyperCard 2.3 does support Text to Speech and includes speech commands.

As of this writing, the current versions of MacinTalk are:

MacinTalk 2 v1.4 MacinTalk 3 v1.4 MacinTalk Pro v1.4 Speech Manager v1.4

Use the search string "plaintalk and macintalk" to locate the TIL article "PlainTalk and MacinTalk: Differences and When to Use" to determine which version of MacinTalk is supported on your computer.

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