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Our Commitment to Accessibility

Creating accessible products is a priority for McGraw-Hill Education. We have put in place processes to make accessibility and meeting the WCAG AA guidelines part of our day-to-day development efforts and product roadmaps. We measure and track our progress to ensure we continually make improvements to address the evolving industry standards and to meet our learners' accessibility needs. VPATS are available upon request. Our audits and VPATS are completed by a third party.

Testing Process

We are committed to testing with users with different ranges of abilities and disabilities to ensure the usability and accessibility of our products.

A series of tests are conducted to ensure our compliance with the WCAG AA guidelines. Baseline assessments are completed, using a third-party vendor, to uncover gaps and inform a remediation roadmap. As new features are developed, an accessibility-specific success criterion is defined and all new work is tested to ensure it complies with the criteria prior to release. As these products continue to grow and the accessible feature set expands, semi-regular assessments will be completed by an external vendor to ensure continued compliance with the WCAG guidelines.



Connect Platform

This report reflects the accessibility level of the content available within our Connect platform as it relates to specific title.

Content

Alternative Text Files: We provide electronic files for use by students with disabilities. In order to send a file, we require a written request from the disability services center of your school. Requests can be submitted via Access Text Network at www.accesstext.org or submitted directly to McGraw-Hill Education. To submit to McGraw-Hill, please email us at mhe-permissions@mheducation.com or fax the request to 646-766-2019.

Many of our titles have alt descriptions of images available in a separate document provided to the DSS office. To request this file, please contact us at accessibility@mheducation.com.

McGraw-Hill Education is actively working on developing more accessible assessment experiences. While some of our interactive assessment questions are not yet accessible to users of assistive technology, we continue to make improvements with each platform release.

Content Feature	Definitions	Status & Alternatives
eBook is operable without a mouse (keyboard navigable) and can be accessed using alternative output devices.	Can the user navigate through the eBook and any link embedded using keyboard navigation and/or assistive technology?	SmartBook 2.0 provides a student experience that includes color contrast, descriptions for images, keyboard navigation, and screen reader support. Work is ongoing to improve the user experience for all users. A VPAT for the WCAG 2.0 AA standards is available upon request as well as an updated Accessibility Conformance Report reflecting recent updates. SmartBook 2.0 will have a forthcoming independent audit to the WCAG 2.1 AA standards. The McGraw Hill eBook was built with accessibility in mind. An independent audit resulted in zero "does not supports" for WCAG criteria for the desktop version as well as the app versions (iOS & Android). All versions now support multimedia content interactions such as closed captioning for embedded videos and appropriate descriptions for audio, video & captions. Recent upgrades ensure that users can maintain logical & consistent focus order in menu interactions; that the highlight tool is color-compliant; and that users will not encounter any keyboard traps. Additional remediation will continue in 2021. A VPAT is available upon request.
eBook images have alternative descriptions/alternative text	Are the alt descriptions embedded in the eBook? Can a screen reader access the images?	Alt descriptions are embedded within the eBook. Students using some forms of assistive technology may find it difficult to navigate to some of the content, due to the constraints of the



		technologies available. A file containing the alt descriptions can
		be supplied upon request. To request, please contact us at
		accessibility@mheducation.com
Videos are closed captioned	Are videos and the	
and/or transcripts are available	transcripts able to be	Videos are not offered with this title.
	delivered outside of	
	Connect and provided	
	to DSS offices?	
Assessments can be accessed	Are assessments	
using alternative output	keyboard navigable? Do	Many of McGraw-Hill's most popular assessment questions are
devices (screen reader)	images have alt	now more accessible to students. Color contrast, keyboard
	descriptions? Can they	navigation and screen reader support are now available with
	be accessed within the	multiple choice, true/false, check all that apply, fill in the blank,
	platform using assistive	short answer and ranking questions without images.
	technology?	
PowerPoints can be accessed	Images contain alt	
using alternative output	descriptions and there is	PPTs are not currently accessible.
devices (screen reader)	a logical reading order.	
Additional Resources		Writing assignment is an assignment type within Connect to
		support writing across all disciplines with flexible options for
		student guidance and efficient scoring. WCAG compliance work
		continues with an audit to be completed late spring 2021.

We are committed to working with our education partners as we progress in our accessibility efforts. In the event that alternative content formats are required, we will evaluate the options and, when possible, provide as needed.

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