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Dear Sylvia,

I have a 48 year old brother recovering from a massive heart attack that occurred in December 2009. Some of the “post heart attack” difficulties he is experiencing include anxiety, memory loss, poor attention and vision issues. He continues to have significant heart disease and does not have the stamina to go for walks, cut the grass, or do many physical tasks. Hence he likes to spend his time reading the newspaper and his favourite novels. To his surprise these tasks that were once easy for him have become onerous due to his difficulties with short term memory, visual tracking and attention to detail.

Just on a whim I gave my brother a See-n-Read Reading Tool to use while he was trying to read the newspaper one day. He was amazed that it helped him to stay focused on the words, move his eyes across the page smoothly from left to right and track sentences without losing his place on the page. I could visibly see him relax and begin to enjoy reading the passage without the continual frustration of losing his place on the page and having to go back and re read a sentence he had missed. As a result, his comprehension of what he is reading is much improved and he enjoys picking up a new book to read.

I was so happy to see that a very practical, adaptive device made such a positive difference for my brother. It was a much appreciated gift!

Thank you Sylvia!

Sincerely,

Heather Liffiton