

Helperbird

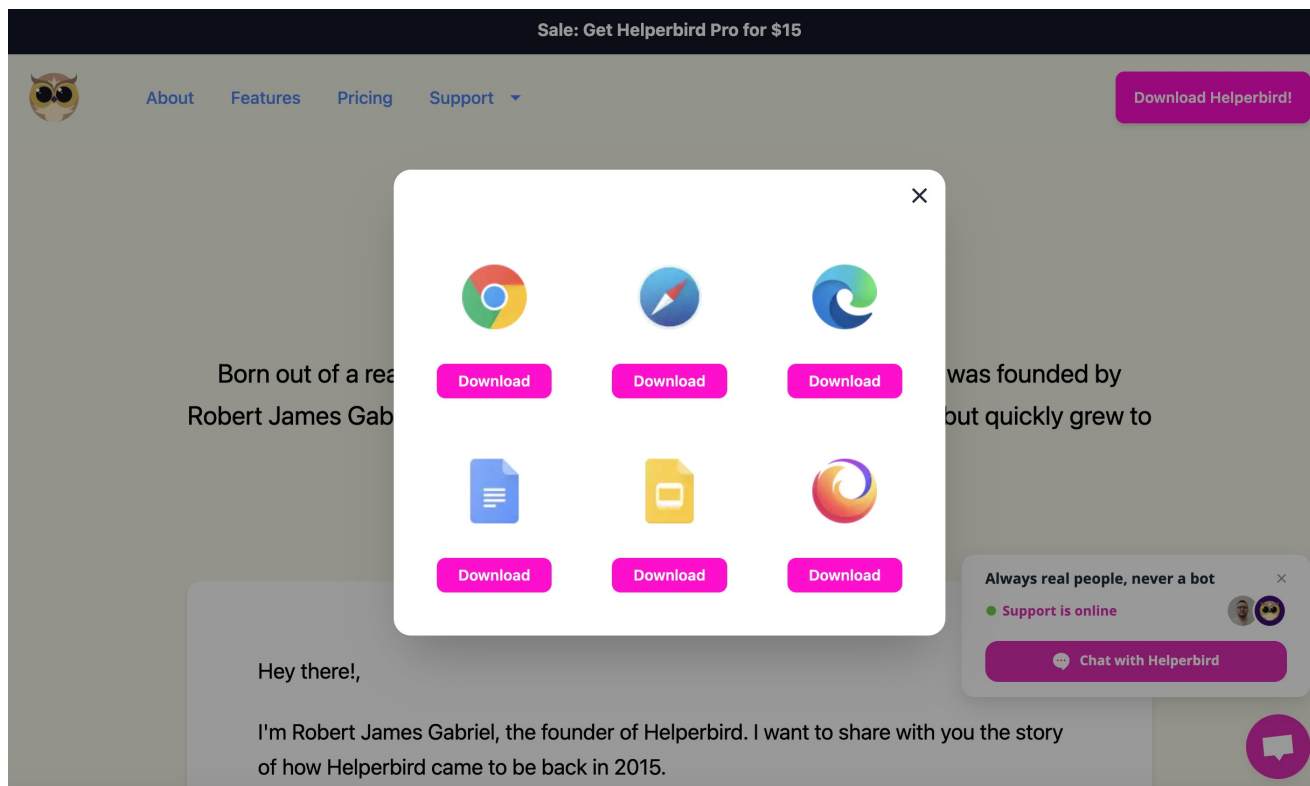
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The **Helperbird web browser extension** adds customizable tools that make it easier to read and write online, such as enhanced contrast, text-to-speech, or word prediction. For more information, see Helperbird's website for a full list of features [📄](#).

Important: To get access to Pro features, you must sign up using the instructions for Bryn Mawr's license below. **Do not sign up using Helperbird's Google account option.** If you use Chrome, it is recommended to log out of your Google account [📄](#) before starting this process.

Install the browser extension




1. Go to helperbird.com [📄](#).
2. Click **Download helperbird** on the menu bar to download the Helperbird extension.
3. Select your preferred browser. Bryn Mawr recommends Chrome, and the instructions below will feature Chrome.
4. Click **Add to Chrome**.



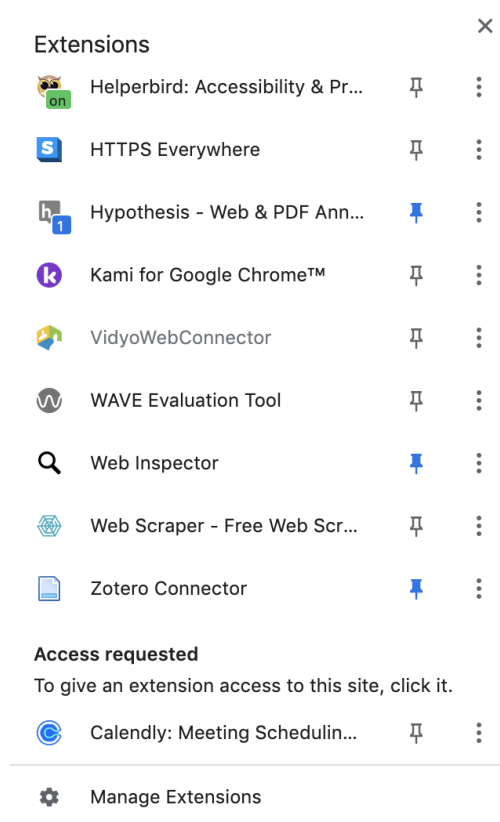
Adjust extension settings

Your web browser's **extension settings** control Helperbird's appearance and access.

For example, in Chrome:


1. On the Chrome browser bar, click  **Extensions** to display your browser's Extensions list.
2. To manage when and how Helperbird has permission to access websites, click  **Extensions > Helperbird > ⋮ More actions > Manage extension.**
3. Optional: If you want to add the Helperbird icon to your Chrome toolbar for easier access, click  **Pin.**

See Chrome's [Install and manage extensions](#) guide for more details.



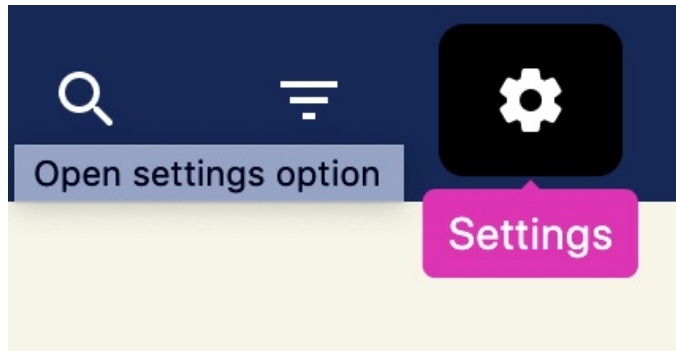
Activate Helperbird Pro

You will need to use Bryn Mawr's institutional subscription to access Pro features. The following instructions are for Chrome; in other browsers, the process will be similar, but the location, names, and icons used for the extensions list may look different.

1. Open the [Assistive Technology Access document](#) (requires log in) and copy the HelperBird Subscriber Key.
2. Double-click the **Helperbird** icon in your browser toolbar (if you pinned it) or  **Extensions** list to open










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3. Click  **Settings**.



4. Paste the key you copied into the **Subscription Key** field (please make sure you do not leave any spaces before or after the key when you paste it in so that it will register correctly.)
5. Click **Save**.

Use Helperbird

1. Double-click the **Helperbird** icon in your browser toolbar (if you pinned it) or navigate to the  **Extensions** list to open it.
2. The **Quick Actions** panel shows popular features; to customize, click + **Add to Quick Actions**, then /  **Add/Remove** next to features in the list.
3. Turn on the features you want to use:
 - Use  **Search**, or  **Filter** to find the feature you want.
 - Click that feature's  **Toggle switch** to turn it on.
 - Use any buttons or sliders that appear to customize its settings.
 - If you need more info, click  **Options** and choose **How to Use** .
4. Once you have turned the features you need on, you can use the  **Helperbird is off/on by Quick Actions** to enable and disable everything at once if needed.

See Helperbird's [Overview accessibility and productivity features](#) and [Top 10 most popular features](#) for info about available features.

Questions?

If you have any additional questions or problems, don't hesitate to reach out to the **Help Desk!**

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