

# **1st UN Global Forum Global Initiative for Inclusive Technologies**

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# Perkins Legacy of Leadership

## 178 Years of Service



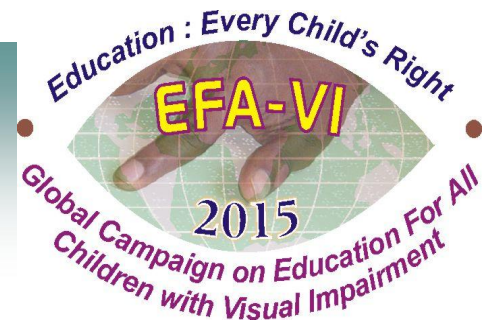


# Education for All

Education : Every Child's Right  
**EFA-VI**  
2015  
Global Campaign on Education For All  
Children with Visual Impairment



# Education For All



- Every child Has the Right to Education
  - Including children with multiple disabilities
- The **Education for All Children with Visual Impairment** - global campaign to address key Millennium Development Goals.

**Today over 5 million students who are blind do not have access to education.**

# Education For All: Key Elements

- **Individual education plans**
- Solutions lie within **each society**
- **Family members** play critical role
- We can communicate with all students
- Start with **Early intervention** (age 0-3)
- Offer teachers **specialized training**

# Literacy

## Literacy is key for all children

- **For Individuals who are blind**
  - Braille Not Literate: **70% unemployment**
  - Braille Literate: **20% unemployment**
- **Support for accessible formats**
  - Braille and Talking Book Libraries in all countries are key
  - Distribute material electronically where appropriate
  - Accessible books, videos & websites

# For Students who are Blind

## Braille = Universal Literacy

- Low Technology Option:
  - Perkins Brailier is “pen & paper” around the world
- All students deserve learning tools for classes, communication & homework



# Electronic Technology Options

## Electronic Braille Writing Device



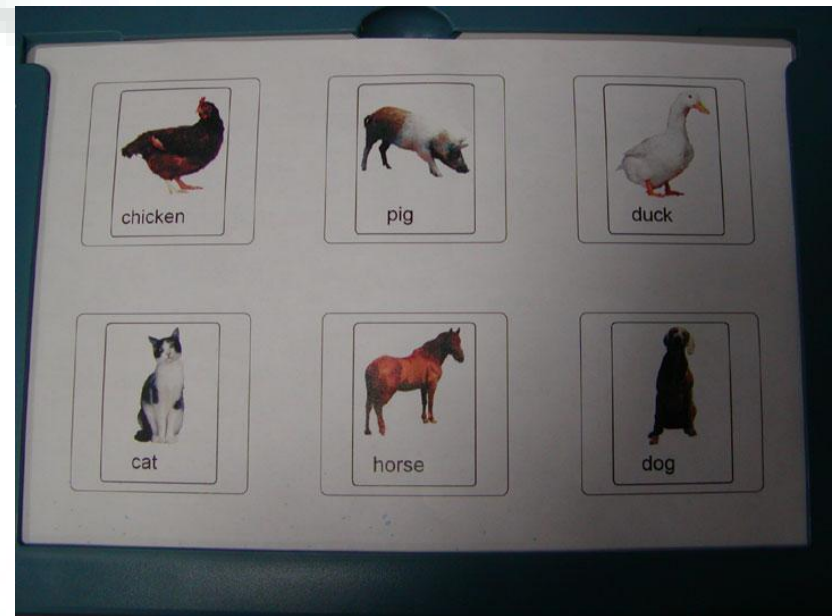
KNFB Reader

# Technology: Communication Devices (including Voice & Braille Output)

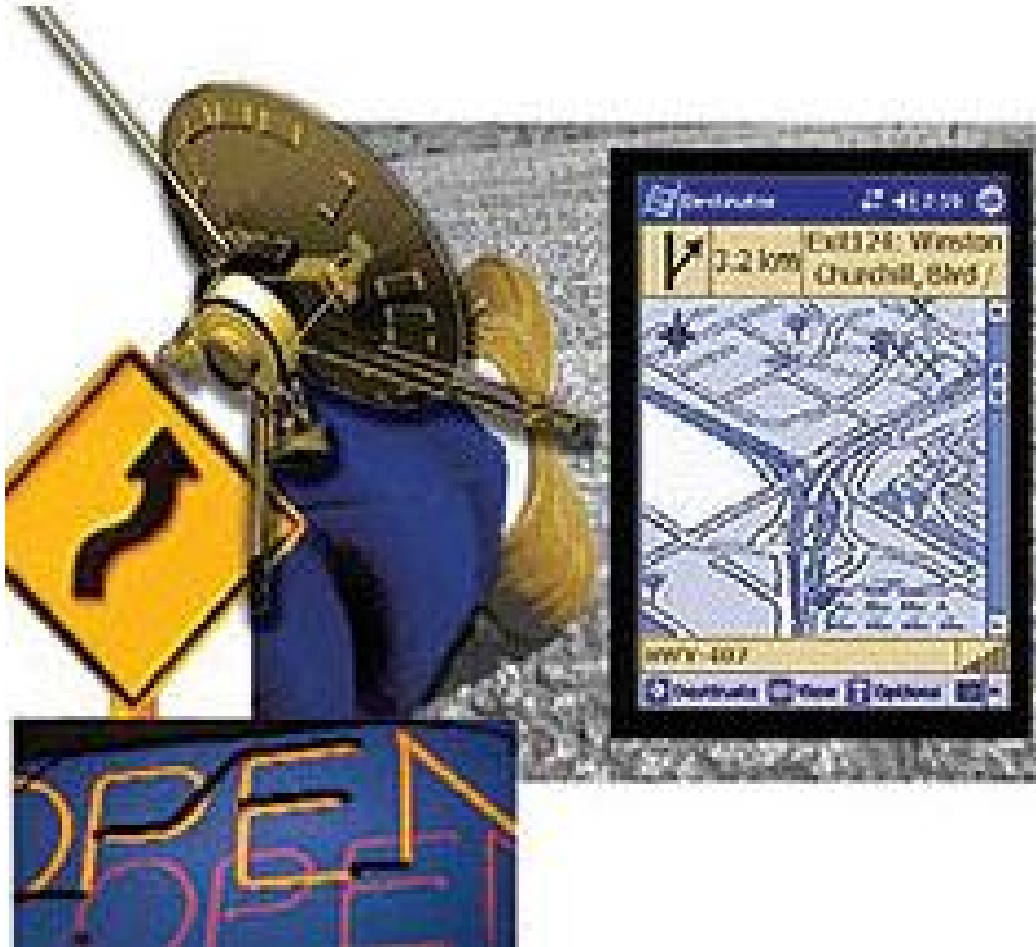


**Leveling the Playing Field**

# Technology: Keyboard Options



# Technology



Global  
Positioning  
System:  
Used to Walk  
Around



# As We Use More Inclusive Technologies

Working together...

All We See Is  
**Possibility**

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