

## Re: Dragon Question

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"Su" <.@hotmail.com> wrote in message  
news:Xjk\_d.34515\$6g7.19703@bignews1.bellsouth.net...  
> *Thanks goodness. I always tend to get myself in trouble here.*

Oh, I wouldn't think that discussion could get you into any kind of trouble.  
My brother was very impressed with my purchase of that mike, so I knew it  
had to be a good'un.

> *Knowbrainer is really technical, so you have to wade through what benefits  
> you.*

Yes, I've found that to be true. But, as you say, there's good info to be  
had there.

> *But there are a lot of doctors in there. I just wish Barbara Grow was  
> still monitoring MT Meeting Place, but she's not. She really knew the best  
> when it came to VR for MT.*

I'm pretty much phasing out of MT (only one small account left). The rest  
of my work consists of LT (court transcripts and attorney interviews) and GT  
(interviews for TV shows), so I'm not sure the medical aspect would help me  
much, anyway. That being the case, I'd venture to guess that most of my  
work is going to be along the lines of "general" vocabulary words, with  
technical vocabulary added in as I go along and have the need.

> > *It'll help for sure, but don't expect too much of the product. If you're  
an  
> extremely high producer to begin with (350+ lph) you're not going to do  
much  
> better.>*

Got'cha. I'm not as speedy as many who post here; best time is only about  
115 wpm, but with my hands already giving out on me with osteoarthritis and  
swelling from hypothyroidism, I don't hit that all the time. I suspect the  
speed will drop even more so with coming years. The way I figure it, I need  
to be able to keep cranking out work for at least another 20 years, if at all  
possible. (I'll be 51 this summer.) That being the case, I figure it

should be worth the effort.

> *Wanna chat e-mail on this? I don't want to clog up this forum. I can take  
> you step by step through the process.>*

Sure! I'd appreciate any help you can offer. Thanks!

> *As long as you have a DNS-recommended sound card and you are careful how  
you  
> dictate, there's no reason you can't hit 96-97% accuracy from the get go.*

Even though I've only played with it a few hours, I can see where that should be doable already. (I wouldn't have said that before I got the new "Mr. Microphone," though!)

> *A lot depends upon how much you still need to add to the vocabulary.*

That's one advantage LT and GT has over MT, because I don't have so much in the way of technical vocabulary to add all at once.

> *There's also the issue of DNS recognizing what word fits in where (to, too, two).*

Yeah, but I already deal with that with subs. 8-(

> *It's the right decision for some but not for others. YMMV, I suppose.*

Yeah, I can see where it wouldn't be for everybody. I can't say I like talking better than typing, but I think it's going to be a necessity in the future. Also, I can see you have to have a whooooooooooooole lot of patience in order to get it trained to where you can really use it in an efficient manner.

> *I started using it again out of necessity (broken finger). In your situation,  
> as you become more proficient you will probably extend your years in the  
> business.*

That's what I'm counting on. (Also, I'm hoping DH will pick it up and use it so he can help me too. He types a whopping 22 wpm, and I think this might be the only way I can get any keyboarding help out of him in the future.)

> *Oh, make sure that once you create a new user you back up the files to at  
> least two locations. If you can burn to a CD, then do it. And then there's  
> the issue of the Get/Put Words ... Importing/Exporting with  
pronunciations  
> ...>*

Will do. I'd hate to put all that work into it and then lose it.

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> ... *like I said, let's chat e-mail.*

Thanks!

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