Build Accessible and User-Friendly Courses in Articulate Storyline & Rise

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What we'll cover today…

- Describe best practices in developing accessible content in Storyline and Rise
- Recall interactions and elements to avoid
- Demonstrate including alt-text and captions
- Format courses to facilitate keyboard navigation

What we will NOT cover today…

- General best practices in accessibility
- Detailed accessibility instructions for Rise/Storyline*

Two Quick Polls

Accessibility in Elearning

Elearning vs. Webpages

- Elearning interfaces and navigation are unique
- Lots of content
- Frequent interactions
- Heavy use of audio, video
- May be more difficult to check accessibility using tools like [WebAIM's Wave](#)

Building in Accessibility

- Best done from the start
- Accessibility Goal: keyboard navigation, screen reader usability
- Accessibility checks need human judgment
- But what about templates?

Handouts

QR CODE

LINK

tinyurl.com/
articulate508

Articulate and Accessibility

- Tons of accessibility features! More being added regularly.
- Rise vs. Storyline
  - Rise: limited creativity, responsive and more easily updated, easier to make accessible content
  - Storyline: ultimate creativity, not responsive and less easily updated, less easy to make accessible content

Rise

Main Accessibility Considerations

- Alt-text
- Closed captions
- [Avoiding non-accessible interactivity](#)

Demo

[Staying Healthy in the Heat – Live on the Web](#)

Storyline

Main Accessibility Considerations

- Alt-text for images and each state
- Setting focus order for keyboard use
- Learner control of multimedia
- Closed captions
- Avoiding non-accessible interactivity

Demo

[Saguaro National Park – Live on the web](#)

Slide Layer Properties

Visibility

- ☑ Hide other slide layers
- ☐ Hide objects on the base layer
- ☐ Hide slide layer when timeline finishes

Allow seeking: No

Behavior

Present as: Dialog

Label: None

Description: None

- ☑ Prevent the user from clicking on the other layers
- ☑ Pause timeline of base layer

Revisits

When revisiting: Automatically decide

ⓘ LEARN MORE...

CLOSE

Wrap-Up

- Create accessible templates
- Try it yourself: Preview and test with a keyboard
  - *Accessibility checks require your judgment!*
- Go further: Download a screen reader and test
- Commit to practicing! Everyone starts somewhere

Questions?

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