Navigating Your Browser Faster and More Efficiently with NVDA Single Letter Navigation – Quick Tips

# introduction

Hey guys what is up? It's your girl Thee Quinn here and I'm back with another Quick Tips video. In this video, I'm going to show you the most effective ways to browse on your browser. But before this video begins, please be sure to like the video if you love the content, subscribe if you're new and share this video with others. Also note that the instrumentals for this video have been provided by Inner Sanctum Entertainment Ltd. But without further Ado, let's get right into it.

# Start of Tutorial

Now, I realized that a lot of blind persons, when they're navigating on the Internet, whether your browser is Firefox, Google Chrome or whatever, they're moving so slow because when they go on a Web page, they're just using their down arrow and going down line by line by line to get to everything. And I really don't want to see that. I want to see you guys navigating around your browser faster and like a professional. So that's what I'm going to show you to do today.

First, let me open up my browser. Now, to show you the first couple of things, let me first just type in a search. So let me type in OBS for example. Now, the first thing I'm going to show you, say, for example, you Typed in OBS and you want to actually edit your search that you typed in. And you don't want to go all the way up to the address bar because you know the address bar is the URL. And you'd have to go through all of those different plus and all of that to change what you need to change. You don't have to down arrow until you get all the way down to the search bar. You could use the quick single letter navigation key, which is E, to jump to edit boxes. So I'll press that. And there we go.

Now, for example, I'm using Google Chrome. What if you want to be able to go into the Chrome settings or to change your account, and you know that those are buttons, right? Well, the quick single letter navigation that NVDA provides for us to jump to buttons is the letter B, so you would Press B until you get to that settings button. Or possibly if you want to go to Google Drive or something, you'd go to Google Apps. So let me Press B until I get there. There we go.

Now to the next thing. Say you are in your browser and you Typed in your search. What I realized that most persons do when they type in their search, they press their H key to jump down by headings to go through the search. Now you see the problem with that. It goes to things like search results, and web results and I don't want to go through all of that. I want to go straight to the different search results that you have for me. Let me go back up to the top of the page first of all. Now this is what I do. I realize that all of the links going to the different web pages that come from my search results are heading level three. And with NVDA, if you press one you jump to heading level one. If you press two, you jump to heading level two. And if you press three, you jump to heading level three all the way down to number six for heading level six. So in order to jump to your different search results you would use your number 3. And there you go, it jumps me all the way to what I want. And if you want to go back to the one that you just came from with all of these single letter navigation keys, whether it be B or any one of them, right now, in this case it's my number three and I want to go back to the first result you would press shift plus that key. So I'm going to press Shift plus three. Ok, so now I'm going to click on the link to go to the web page.

when you go on a web page, again, persons just start down arrowing, going line by line. You don't want to go through all of that. You just want to get to the meat of the matter. So what I suggest is when you go on most web pages you use your H key to jump to headings. I would not recommend using the heading numbers because you're not sure at what level they have their headings. So you just use your H key. And then you would decide by the headings if that's something you want to look into. Now let me go back to the top. If you want to jump to links, you would use your K key. Now let me go back up to the top again.

Now there is another thing I want to show you. Say, for instance, I'm on OBS right now. You know that the site that you're on, you just want to look for the login button or you just want to look for the download link so you can download what you're looking for. Here, I suggest you use the NVDA find dialog, which is your NVDA key plus your control key plus your F. In my case, my Nvidia key is my insert. So let me press insert plus control plus F. And now I want to search for the download button or link or whatever it is. I'm not sure if it's a button or a link or a heading, but I need to get to it. So here I'll use the Find dialogue and I'll just type in ‘download’. Then I'll press Enter. And there you go. It brings me directly to the download link. Now, I just have a couple more things to show you. Let me go on a page that I know that I can find a box for you to register to login. Alright, I'm currently on that page. Now, when you go on a page that you know there are edit fields on it, like for you to type in username or password or form fields for you to fill out some sort of form. What you could do once again is easily press your e key to jump straight to the edit boxes. There we go. And then you would enter your username.

Now let me show you some quick tips for YouTube as well. Let me go to one of my videos. Now here I am on one of my latest videos. Let me click enter on it. Now let me pause it. Okay, you see what I just did there? Let me go back. Now that I have it paused and I can speak to you, when you're on a video on YouTube, you don't have to navigate with your arrows all the way to the pause button or the play button or navigate all the way to the seek slider to be able to go back in the video or to go forward in the video, here's what you would do. You'd use your Nvidia key plus your space bar to switch into focus mode. In my case, that is my insert plus my spacebar. Then the key to pause or play is your K key. Alright, then the key to rewind is your J key and the key to fast forward is your L key. So let me play back the video and show you how the rewind and fast forward keys work. And that's it. And you can always use your insert plus spacebar to come back out of focus mode when you're finished. Also, there are three others. Sometimes when you're filling out forms, the checkboxes or the radio buttons or the combo boxes, sometimes they're not so accessible and you want something that will put your focus directly on them. Well, these are also some quick navigation single letter keys that you can use. X brings you straight to a checkbox, C brings you straight to a combo box and R brings you straight to a radio button and F would bring you straight to a form field. Also, T would bring you directly to a table if you're looking for a table within a web page. And lastly, L would bring you to a list.

well that is it guys, hopefully this video has been a great help to you, and I hope it would help you to be able to navigate your web pages more effectively, faster and more professional. Remember the aim at the end of the day is to make persons who are sighted know that our disability does not limit us. We can still navigate things just as fast or even faster than them.

So thanks again for watching. Hopefully you'll love this video and it was helpful to you. Be sure to like it if you love the content subscribe if you're new and share it with others. Thanks again for watching and I'll see you next time. Bye.