MS Office and Windows Tips and Tricks
“What surprises me most about people’s skills is how poor their writing and grammar are, even for college graduates. If we can’t get the basics right, there is a real problem.”

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MS Office

- Versions
- Editions
Versions

- 2003
- 2007
- 2010
2003

• Completely unpublicized, MS introduced Speech Recognition into Word 2003. It was removed from MS Office in later versions, but SR was transferred to the OS beginning with Vista and is in all versions of Windows 7 except starter edition.

• Text to speech (TTS) was only available in Excel 2003. However there were several macros available through the internet which could be installed into Word 2003.

• TTS in 2003 utilized the Windows Speech API in Windows XP. A similar API is available in later versions of Windows. SAPI 4 and 5 are the latest available.
2007

• Introduced new format (DOCS, XLSX, PPTX) which earlier versions of Office (2003) can't open or edit without adding a download from Microsoft.com which allows Office to open and edit
2010
Editions

• Basic
• Professional
• Home Student Edition
Basic

• Includes Word, Excel and Outlook.
Professional

- Includes Word, Excel, Powerpoint, Access, Onenote and Publisher.

- Retails for approximately $499US

- Is available for qualified students at an academic price.
Home Student Edition

• Includes Word, Excel, Powerpoint and Onenote.

• Retails for $149US
Windows

• WSR
• Keyboard Shortcuts
• Accessibility
WSR

• Windows Speech Recognition
• Voices
Windows Speech Recognition

- WSR is only available in Vista and Windows 7. There is a dictation component in Word 2003, but NOT for Word 2007 or Word 2010.
Keyboard Shortcuts

• Keyboard shortcuts for Word 2007,
Accessibility

• System
• Programs
System

• Mouse
• Sticky Keys
Programs

• Narrator
• Magnifier
Text To Speech

Word 2003
In Excel 2007
Using the Speak Feature in Office 2010

• It also makes it easy to hear text-to-speech playback of the original text through the Play and Stop buttons.

• The Speak feature in Office 2010 enables text-to-speech in OneNote, Outlook, PowerPoint, and Word. By default, Speak is not present on the Ribbon, so you will need to add it to either the Ribbon or the Quick Access Toolbar. Note, you may want to use text-to-speech playback without turning on the Mini Translator or with the keyboard instead of the mouse.

• Speak requires a text-to-speech engine matching the language of the text. You can see your installed text-to-speech engines in the Control Panel:

• Excel also supports text-to-speech playback through Speak Cells in the Ribbon or Quick Access Toolbar.
Text To Speech

Let’s begin by adding Speak to the Quick Access Toolbar:

1. Start by launching Word, and open the Backstage View by clicking on the File button.

2. Click Options and navigate to the Quick Access Toolbar tab.

3. In the Choose commands from: drop-down menu, select Commands Not in the Ribbon.

4. Select Speak from the scroll box and click Add > >.

5. Click OK, and the Speak icon will now appear in the Quick Access Toolbar.
You can also add Speak to the Ribbon by using the following steps:

1. Start by launching Word, and open the Backstage View by clicking on the File button.

2. Select the Customize Ribbon tab in Options.

3. In the Choose commands from: drop-down menu, select Commands Not in the Ribbon.

4. Create a custom tab or a new group by clicking New Tab or New Group (You can rename the Tab or the Group using the Rename... button)

5. Select Speak from the scroll box and add it to your custom Tab and Group by clicking Add > >.

6. Click OK, and the Speak icon will now appear in the Ribbon.
Text To Speech

Speak is now ready for text-to-speech playback, when the cursor is within a word or you have selected some text!

1. Click Speak to begin text-to-speech playback. Clicking the button during speech will cancel playback.

2. Word supports custom keyboard shortcuts for commands. This allows you to use Speak without adding it to the Ribbon or the Quick Access Toolbar. In the Customize Ribbon menu click Customize..., select the All Commands category, and bind the SpeakStopSpeaking command to the hotkey of your choice.

3. Speak is disabled until you select text whose language matches one of your installed engines. Click Speak to begin text-to-speech playback. Clicking the button during speech will cancel playback.
Text To Speech

- Voices
- Word
- Changing Voices
Voices

• Windows XP
• Windows 7
• Windows 8
Windows XP

- Microsoft Sam
Windows 7

• Microsoft Anna
Windows 8

• three new client (desktop) voices - Microsoft David (US male) and Hazel (UK female) and Zira (US female) which sound more natural than Microsoft Anna.

• MS Anna is not installed in Windows 8
Word

• Word 2003
• Word 2007
• Word 2010
Changing Voices
Many of us carry a notebook or notepad around to take notes for business, school, or personal projects. But can you easily find — and decipher — the info you need? Is it convenient to share your notes with others? Take control with Microsoft Office OneNote 2007, the easy-to-use note-taking and information-management program where you can capture ideas and information in electronic form. Insert files or Web content in full-color, searchable format or as icons that you can click to access. Watch this demo to see how simple it is to gather, format, organize, and share information. And then say goodbye to your notepad!
OneNote

- Office Versions
- Quick Reference
Office Versions

• 2007 Student Home
• ALL 2010 Editions
Microsoft

- A PDF download for OneNote from Microsoft
Custom Guide Download

• A PDF File for download form Custom Guide
Formatting

• Styles
• Highlighting
• Fonts
Styles

• Styles save time and make your document look good
• One of the great things about using a word processor is that you can create documents that look professionally typeset.
  Headings are in a font that contrasts with body text.
  Paragraphs are separated with just enough white space.
  Elements such as bulleted lists are indented.
  Emphasized text is in a contrasting color.
• The document may even include special elements such as a table of contents.
Styles

Using direct formatting

• Word provides several ways for you to achieve each of these effects in your document. For example, to format headings, you can select the text, apply bold formatting, and then apply a slightly larger font size than the size that you use for the body text.

• Applying formatting in this manner is known as direct formatting. The process of applying direct formatting can be tedious. It's easy to make mistakes, and you might not get a good looking document. In the example in the previous paragraph, you must repeat the direct formatting process for each heading, and you must be careful to select the same font size every time.
Styles

Using direct formatting (continued)

• If you want subheadings, you must decide how to differentiate the subheadings from the headings (smaller size? italicize?) and repeat the direct formatting process for each subheading. If you don't have expertise in design or typography, it may take some time before you create a look that you like.

• Furthermore, documents that are formatted by direct formatting are difficult to update. If you want to change the look of the document, you must select each element and apply the new formatting choices.
**Styles**

**Using styles**

- By contrast, when you use styles to format your document, you can quickly and easily apply a set of formatting choices consistently throughout your document.
- A style is a set of formatting characteristics, such as font name, size, color, paragraph alignment and spacing. Some styles even include borders and shading.
- For example, instead of taking three separate steps to format your heading as 16-point, bold, Cambria, you can achieve the same result in one step by applying the built-in Heading 1 style. You do not need to remember the characteristics of the Heading 1 style. For each heading in your document, you just click in the heading (you don't even need to select all the text), and then click Heading 1 in the gallery of styles.
- If you decide that you want subheadings, you can use the built-in Heading 2 style, which was designed to look good with the Heading 1 style.
Styles

Using styles (continued)

• The Quick Styles that you see in the gallery of styles are designed to work together. For example, the Heading 2 Quick Style is designed to look subordinate to the Heading 1 Quick Style.

• The body text of your document is automatically formatted with the Normal Quick Style.

• Quick Styles can be applied to paragraphs, but you can also apply them to individual words and characters. For example, you can emphasize a phrase by applying the Emphasis Quick Style.

• When you format text as part of a list, each item in the list is automatically formatted with the List Paragraph Quick Style.

• If you later decide that you want headings to have a different look, you can change the Heading 1 and Heading 2 styles, and Word automatically updates all instances of them in the document. You can also apply a different Quick Style set or a different theme to change the look of the headings without making changes to the styles.
Styles

Built-in styles turn on timesaving features

• The built-in styles (Heading 1, Heading 2, etc.) provide other benefits, too. If you use the built-in heading styles, Word can generate a table of contents automatically. Word also uses the built-in heading styles to make the Document Map, which is a convenient feature for moving through long documents.

• Tip Try it. If you have a document that uses the built-in heading styles, open it, and on the View tab, in the Show/Hide group, select the Document Map check box. Click a heading in the document map to jump to the corresponding part of the document.
Highlighting

When you apply highlighting, it is added as an annotation (annotation: An element that you can add to mark up your document, including text, highlighting, freeform text or shapes, or a picture.) to your document.

**Apply highlighting**

1. On the Annotations toolbar, click Highlighter.
2. Drag on the page to highlight the text or graphics you want.

Note: To turn off highlighting, click Select on the View toolbar.

**Remove highlighting**

Select the highlighting. How?

1. On the Annotations toolbar, click Select Annotations.
2. Click the highlighting.
3. Press DELETE.
Highlighting

• Find
• Marker
The way to find highlighted text is to use the Find function. Find is particularly handy if there’s a lot of highlighting, and you think you might miss some using the zoom function. It’s also handy for finding highlights you can’t see, such as those hiding behind empty paragraph marks or graphics. Both Word 2003 and 2007 work the same way:

1. Press Ctrl+F to open the Find and Replace window.
2. Click More.
3. Click Format.
4. Select Highlight.
5. Highlight should be the only ‘find’ option. Click Find Next to find the next highlighted passage.
Marker

• To highlight text in color in Microsoft Word 2007, start by selecting the portion of text you want to emphasize with a background color.

• Then, click on the Home tab of the Ribbon: under the Font block of commands, there is an icon of a color marker. To highlight the text in yellow, the default marker color, simply click on the highlighter button itself, and the selected text's background now stands out in yellow.

• To highlight text in a color different than yellow, click on the highlighter button's dropdown arrow: this will open a menu that displays a palette of colors available for text highlighting. Unlike text color, the highlight color cannot be customized through the custom color wheel.
Marker

• Word 2007 includes 15 highlighting colors - as named by Word: yellow, bright green, turquoise, pink, blue, red, dark blue, teal, green, violet, dark red, dark yellow, gray-50%, gray-25%, black, and "No Color" (a 16th color - which removes highlighting from the text selected when you click this menu item).

• Notice that as you move your mouse pointer above each of the highlight color while some text is selected in your document, Word 2007 displays a real time preview of how the selected text will appear once highlighted with the color currently under your cursor.

• To accept the highlight color, click on the color swatch, and your text now appears with the background color you picked from the highlighter button's dropdown menu:
Addins

• Zotero
• WordTalk
Zotero

• Zotero [zoh-TAIR-oh] is a free, easy-to-use tool to help you collect, organize, cite, and share your research sources. It lives right where you do your work—in the web browser itself.
WordTalk

- WordTalk is a free text-to-speech plugin developed for use with all versions of Microsoft Word (from Word 97 up to Word 2010). It will speak the text of the document and will highlight it as it goes. It contains a talking dictionary to help decide which word spelling is most appropriate.
NoteTaking

• OneNote
• Outline View
OneNote

• See OneNote Tab
Outline View

• See Outline View Tab
Paper Writing

- Outlining
- Spelling
- Fields
- Bibliography
Outlining

• Outline View
• Outline numbered
Spelling

• Autocorrect
• Check While You Type
• Custom Dictionary
Autocorrect

• Special Terms
Check While You TYpe
Custom Dictionary

Not into the main dictionary, but if the words are in the correct file format, you can supply the file as a custom dictionary.

1. The file has to be a straight ASCII file (not a Word .doc or .docx).
2. The file has to have the extension .dic
3. Each word has to be on a line by itself.
4. The words have to be in alphabetical order (I'm not sure what happens if they're not. Word MIGHT sort them for you.) Note that upper case letters are "lower than" lower case letters.
5. I think that lower case letters also match words in documents with upper case letters, but the reverse may not be true. That is, letters in upper case on the dictionary may match only upper case letters in documents.
6. The file should be added to this directory:
Custom Dictionary

In Windows XP: C:\Documents and Settings\your username\Application Data\Microsoft\Proof

In Windows Vista: C:\Users\your username\AppData\Roaming\Microsoft\UProof

(Note: If the directory Appdata doesn’t appear in Windows Explorer, enter the full path name in Explorer’s address window.)

The custom dictionary has to be added to the dictionary list this way.
Custom Dictionary

In versions of Word prior to Word 2007:
1. Click the Tools->Options menu item.
2. Click the Spelling & Grammar tab.
3. Click the Custom Dictionaries button.
4. Click the Add button.
5. Navigate to the dictionary, select it and click the Open button. The dictionary should now be added to the dictionary list box.
6. To be in use, it has to have a check in its checkbox.
7. To make the dictionary the default, select it (don't uncheck it) and click the Change Default button.
8. Click OK.
Custom Dictionary

In Word 2007:

1. Click the round Office button in the upper-left corner of the window.

2. Click the Word Options button.

3. Click Proofing.

4. Continue as in Step 3, above.
Fields

Click where you want to insert a field.
- On the Insert menu, click Field.
- In the Categories box, click a category.
- In the Field names box, click a field name.
- Select the options you want.

Notes
If you want to see the codes for a particular field in the Field dialog box, click Field Codes.
To nest a field within another field, first insert the outer, or "container" field, using the Field dialog box. In your document, place the insertion point inside the field code where you want to insert the inner field. Then use the Field dialog box to insert the inner field.
Fields

- Page Counts
- Word Count
- Page Numbers
- Date/Time
- Other Fields
Page Counts

• Insert the number of words in your document

• Click where you want to add the number of words that are in your document.

• On the Insert tab, in the Text group, click Quick Parts.

• Click Field.

• In the Field names list, click NumPages, and then click OK.
Word Count

• Insert the number of words in your document
• Click where you want to add the number of words that are in your document.
• On the Insert tab, in the Text group, click Quick Parts.
• Click Field.
• In the Field names list, click NumWords, and then click OK.
Page Numbers

• Include Page or Page X of Y with the page number

• On the Insert tab, in the Header & Footer group, click Page Number.

• Click Top of Page, Bottom of Page, Page Margins, or Current Position depending on where you want page numbers to appear in your document.

• Do one of the following:

• To include the word Page with the page number, scroll down in the gallery and choose a page number design under the heading Page X.

• To include the total number of pages with the page number, scroll down in the gallery and choose a page number design under the heading Page X of Y.
Date/Time

• When you click Date & Time in the Text group on the Insert tab, Microsoft Office Word inserts a DATE field.

• You can also insert a DATE field in the body of a document by doing the following:

• On the Insert tab, in the Text group, click Quick Parts, and then click Field.

• In the Field dialog box, under Field names, click Date.

Note The DATE and TIME fields can display a date, a time, or both, depending on the format you specify in a date-time picture switch.
Other Fields
Bibliography
Editing

• Find and Replace
• Comments
• Autosummarize
Find and Replace

**Find text**

- You can quickly search for every occurrence of a specific word or phrase
- On the Home tab, in the Editing group, click Find.
- In the Find what box, type the text that you want to search for.
- Do one of the following:
  - To find each instance of a word or phrase, click Find Next.
  - To find all instances of a specific word or phrase at one time, click Find All, and then click Main Document.

**Note** To cancel a search in progress, press ESC.
Find and Replace

Find and replace text
• You can automatically replace a word or phrase with another — for example, you can replace Acme with Apex. The replacement text uses the same capitalization as the text that it replaces unless you select the Match case check box. For example, if you search for AKA and replace it with Also known as, the result is ALSO KNOWN AS.
• If the Match case check box is selected, Office Word 2007 searches only for words that match the case of the word or phrase that you typed in the Find what box. For example, if you search for AKA, the result includes AKA but not aka.

Note  If you don't see the Match case check box on the Replace tab, click More.
• On the Home tab, in the Editing group, click Replace.
• Click the Replace tab.
• In the Find what box, type the text that you want to search for.
• In the Replace with box, type the replacement text.
• Do one of the following:
  • To find the next occurrence of the text, click Find Next.
  • To replace an occurrence of the text, click Replace. After you click Replace, Office Word 2007 moves to the next occurrence of the text.
  • To replace all occurrences of the text, click Replace All.

Note  To cancel a replacement in progress, press ESC.
Find and Replace

Find and highlight text on the screen

• To help you visually scan a document for every occurrence of a word or phrase, you can search for all occurrences and highlight them on the screen. Although the text is highlighted on the screen, it isn't highlighted when the document is printed.

• On the Home tab, in the Editing group, click Find.

• In the Find what box, type the text that you want to search for.

• Click Reading Highlight, and then click Highlight All.

• Note To turn off highlighting on the screen, click Reading Highlight, and then click Clear Highlighting.
Find and Replace

Find and replace specific formatting

• You can search for and replace or remove character formatting. For example, you can search for a specific word or phrase and change the font color, or you can search for specific formatting, such as bold, and change it.
• On the Home tab, in the Editing group, click Replace.
• If you don't see the Format button, click More.
• To search for text with specific formatting, type the text in the Find what box. To find formatting only, leave the box blank.
• Click Format, and then select the formats that you want to find and replace.
• Click the Replace with box, click Format, and then select the replacement formats.
Find and Replace

Find and replace specific formatting (continued)

Note If you also want to replace the text, type the replacement text in the Replace with box.

• To find and replace each instance of the specified formatting, click Find Next, and then click Replace. To replace all instances of the specified formatting, click Replace All.
Find and Replace

Find and replace paragraph breaks, page breaks, and other items

• You can search for and replace special characters and document elements such as tabs and manual page breaks. For example, you can find all double paragraph breaks and replace them with single paragraph breaks.

• On the Home tab, in the Editing group, click Find.

• If you don't see the Special button, click More.

• Click Special, and then click the item that you want.

• If you want to replace the item, click the Replace tab, and then type what you want to use as a replacement in the Replace with box.

• Click Find Next, Find All, Replace, or Replace All.

• To cancel a search in progress, press ESC.

Tip  To quickly find items such as graphics or comments, click Select Browse Object Button image on the vertical scroll bar, and then click the item that you want. You can click Next Button image or Previous Button image to find the next or previous item of the same type.
Comments

Insert a comment

• You can type a comment. On a Tablet PC, you can insert a voice comment or a handwritten comment

• Type a comment

• Select the text or item that you want to comment on, or click at the end of the text.

• On the Review tab, in the Comments group, click New Comment.

• Type the comment text in the comment balloon or in the Reviewing Pane.

Note To respond to a comment, click its balloon, and then click New Comment in the Comments group. Type your response in the new comment balloon.
Comments

Delete a comment

- To quickly delete a single comment, right-click the comment, and then click Delete Comment.

- To quickly delete all comments in a document, click a comment in the document. On the Review tab, in the Comments group, click the arrow below Delete, and then click Delete All Comments in Document.
Comments

Delete comments from a specific reviewer

- On the Review tab, in the Tracking group, click the arrow next to Show Markup.
- To clear the check boxes for all reviewers, point to Reviewers, and then click All Reviewers.
- Click the arrow next to Show Markup again, point to Reviewers, and then click the name of the reviewer whose comments you want to delete.
- In the Comments group, click the arrow below Delete Button image, and then click Delete All Comments Shown.

Note  This procedure deletes all comments from the reviewer that you selected, including comments throughout the document.

Tip  You can also review and delete comments by using the Reviewing Pane. To show or hide the Reviewing Pane, click Reviewing Pane in the Tracking group. To move the Reviewing Pane to the bottom of your screen, click the arrow next to Reviewing Pane, and then click Reviewing Pane Horizontal.
Comments

Change a comment

• If comments aren't visible on the screen, click Show Markup in the Tracking group on the Review tab.
• Click inside the balloon for the comment that you want to edit.
• Make the changes that you want.

Notes

• If the balloons are hidden or if only part of the comment is displayed, you can change the comment in the Reviewing Pane. To show the Reviewing Pane, in the Tracking group, click Reviewing Pane. To make the reviewing pane run across the bottom of your screen rather than down the side of your screen, click the arrow next to Reviewing Pane, and then click Reviewing Pane Horizontal.
• To respond to a comment, click its balloon, and then click New Comment in the Comments group. Type your response in the new comment balloon.
Add AutoSummary Tools to the Quick Access Toolbar

• Click the Microsoft Office Button Button image, and then click Word Options.

• Click Customize.

• In the list under Choose commands from, click All Commands.

• Scroll through the list of commands until you see AutoSummary Tools.

• Click AutoSummary Tools, and then click Add.

• The AutoSummary Tools button now appears in the Quick Access Toolbar.
Autosummarize

Automatically summarize a document

• On the Quick Access Toolbar, click AutoSummary Tools, and then click AutoSummarize.

• Select the type of summary that you want.

• In the Percent of original box, type or select the level of detail to include in the summary. Select a higher percentage of the original document to include more detail.

• If you don't want AutoSummarize to replace your existing keywords and comments in the document properties, clear the Update document statistics check box.

Notes

• To cancel a summary in progress, press ESC.

• After you create your summary, review it to make sure it covers your document's key points. Keep in mind that the summary text is a rough draft, and you will probably need to fine-tune it.
VBA

- Visual Basic for Applications (VBA) is an implementation of Microsoft's programming language Visual Basic 6 and its associated integrated development environment (IDE), which are built into most Microsoft Office applications. VBA enables developers to build user defined functions, automate processes and access Win32 and other low-level functionality through DLLs. It was also built into Office applications apart from version 2008 for Apple's Mac OS X, other Microsoft applications such as Microsoft MapPoint and Microsoft Visio; as well as being at least partially implemented in some other applications such as AutoCAD, WordPerfect and ArcGIS. It supersedes and expands on the capabilities of earlier application-specific macro programming languages such as Word's WordBasic. It can be used to control many aspects of the host application, including manipulating user interface features, such as menus and toolbars, and working with custom user forms or dialog boxes. VBA can also be used to create import and export filters for various file formats, such as ODF.
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