This is a context-sensitive Help file that is called from an application.



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Pastes the contents of the clipboard into the current document.



Reverses the last Undo.

Replace button 🊧 or Ctrl-R

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Insert Date button

Insert a date field. Choose a date format and whether to update the date automatically or insert it as static text.

Insert Document Title button

Insert the name of the current document.



Insert a page number field.

Insert Time button

Insert a time field. Choose a time format and whether to update the time automatically or insert it as static text.

Bold button **B** or Ctrl-B

Sets a bold font style for the selection.

Select bold again to turn off bold font style.





Turn current, or selected, paragraphs into bulleted style paragraphs.

Select the Bullets button again to turn bullet style off.

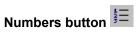


Increase the left margin indent for the selected paragraphs.

Italic button I or Ctrl-I

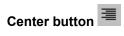
Sets an italic font style for the selection.

Select italic again to turn off italic font style.



Turn current, or selected, paragraphs into numbered style paragraphs.

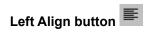
Select the Numbers button again to turn the style off.



Center the current paragraph, or selected paragraphs, between the margins.



Justify the current paragraph, or selected paragraphs, to create a smooth left and right margin.



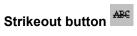
Align the current paragraph, or selected paragraphs, to the left margin. This creates a ragged-right appearance.



Align the current paragraph, or selected paragraphs, to the right margin. This creates a ragged-left appearance.



Decrease the left margin indent for the selected paragraphs.





Draws a line through the selected text.

Select strikeout again to turn it off.

Underline button U or Ctrl-U

Sets an underline font style for the selection.

Select underline again to turn it off.



Start the spell checker.

If there is no text selected, the entire document will be checked. If there is a selection, only the text within the selection will be checked.

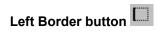


Apply left, right, top and bottom borders to the current paragraph or selected paragraphs.



Apply a bottom border to the current paragraph or selected paragraphs.

Select the Bottom Border button again to remove the border.

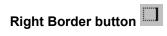


Apply a left border to the current paragraph or selected paragraphs.

Select the Left Border button again to remove the border.

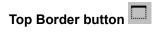


Remove left, right, top and bottom borders from selected paragraphs.



Apply a right border to the current paragraph or selected paragraphs.

Select the Right Border button again to remove the border.



Apply a top border to the current paragraph or selected paragraphs.

Select the Top Border button again to remove the border.



Start the Launcher. If Launcher is already open, switch to it.

Launcher allows you to open any Ability file and start, or switch to, any other Ability application.





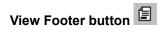
Start the Database application. If Database is already open, switch to it.



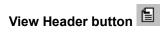
Start the Draw application. If Draw is already open, switch to it.



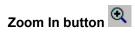
Start the Spreadsheet application. If Spreadsheet is already open, switch to it.



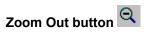
Switch from header to footer.



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Step up the magnification of the current document.

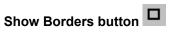




Step down the magnification of the current document.

Redo List button

Displays a record of undo's and allows redo to run to any point within the list.





Turn the display of the borders toolbar on and off.

Undo List button

Displays a record of editing and allows undo to run to any point within the list.

Border Line Style

Select and apply a line style for borders around the current paragraph. Select the style (line thickness and pattern) by using the down arrow on the button. Apply the style using the main part of the button.

Font Color

Select the color for the font.

Font

Choose a font for the current cell (or selection of cells).

Font Size

Choose a font size. Either:

- select the text you want to change and choose a font size.
- click on any word and choose the font size.
- position the cursor and choose the font size for new text.

Paragraph Shade Style

Select the background shading style for the paragraph.

The Clear style removes any paragraph shading.

Style

Select a paragraph and font style.

Modify and create new styles using the **Styles** command from the **Tools** menu.

Zoom

Select a zoom factor between 25% and 400% to magnify or reduce the current view.

Write document

This is where you type the text of your document.

Don't press Enter at the end of every line - just carry on typing and let Write format the paragraphs for you.

Application background

This has no functionality whatsoever. If you want a document to start typing, select the **New** button **#**.



Horizontal Ruler

Provides a guide to the page area within the overall paper size. The ruler is interactive - you can change page, paragraph and tab settings directly from the ruler.

Increase and decrease the left and right margin by dragging the ruler edge.

Increase and decrease the current paragraph indent settings by dragging the left and right indent markers.

Move both the left margin and indent settings together using the Shift Key before dragging the markers.

first line indent



left indent

right indent

Drag any of the tab stops to a new location and change the tab alignment using right-click.

Vertical Ruler

Provides a guide to the page area within the overall paper size. The ruler is interactive - you can change top and bottom margin settings directly by dragging the ruler edge.

Status Bar

Provides information on cursor location, whether you are insert or overwrite mode and whether the document has been modified.

Shade Fore Color

The primary color used for the shade drawn behind the paragraph text.

Shade Back Color

The second color used in a pattern shade drawn behind the paragraph text.

Note that "Back Color" is only relevant if the Style is set to something other than "Clear" or "Solid".

Border Color

Select the color borders are drawn in.

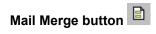
If the current paragraph does not have a border around it, first use the Border Style button.

Border Style

Select and apply a border to the current paragraph.

Select the style (top, bottom, all etc.) by using the down arrow on the button.

Apply the border using the main part of the button.



Toggles mail merge mode on and off.

When set to on (depressed), print will step through every record in the attached table. The browse buttons will also be available to view the data.

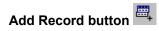
When set to off (button is up), print will print only the current record. You can still browse the data but you'll need to select a field first (that is, double-click on it).

Confirm button 🗸 or Enter key

Save the current edit so that the result displays in the field.

Cancel button imes or Esc key

Cancels the current edit and returns field contents back to previous state.



Add a record. This button is only active in the Database application.



Delete the current record. This button is only active in the Database application.



Display the first record in the data.



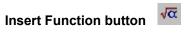
Display the next record.



Display the last record in the data.



Display the previous record.

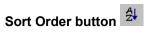




Insert a function into the formula. There are over 200 built-in functions - use the help button in the function dialog box to get information on each function.



Insert the current field into the document.





Define a new sort order for the records.





Define a new filter for the current record source.

A filter allows you to view only specified records, for example, all red wines from a general list of wines.



Inserts the current field into the document.

Filter List

Select a filter from the named filters list. Select **Filter - None** to clear a filter.

Use the **Filters** button **T** to define a new filter.

Sort Order List

Select a sort order from the named sort orders list. Select **Sort Order - None** to clear any sort order.

Use the **Sort** button to define a new sort order.

Field List

Use the **Field List** drop-down to select a field and then use the **Insert Field** button to insert it into the document.

Current Record Number

Display the current record number. You can type in a number to go to that record directly.

Formula Entry Bar

Type the text, number or formula you want for the current cell and press Enter.



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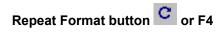


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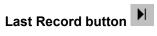
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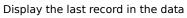


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