Math Grabber™ XTension™

This document provides a brief overview of the Math Grabber™ XTension from Meadows Information Systems, Inc.

What is a Grabber™?

The Grabber™ XTensions are a set of new QuarkXPress tools designed primarily for working with text and tabs, and also for printing. Together, the Grabber™ family of XTensions provide a valuable toolset which makes OuarkXPress much faster and easier to use.

All of the Grabbers™ make use of a unique new "Marquee" method of text and element selection. Forget about drag-selecting the old-fashioned way...just click one of the tools and "grab" what you need to change.

To use a Grabber[™] tool, select it from the QuarkXPress tool palette and drag a marquee around the page area you want to change. Fill in a dialog and click OK. The Grabber[™] figures out what you selected, and applies your changes automatically! Each of the Grabbers[™] is described below:

Text Grabber™ allows you to modify text attributes anywhere on the page, regardless of which box(es) contain the text. Text Grabber™ is perfect for changing complete columns of text within tabular composition.

Tab Grabber™ lets you Marquee groups of tab stops and adjust them all at once. This includes interactively nudging the tab position, changing the alignment or modifying the fill character.

Copy Grabber™ is used to Cut, Copy and Paste text vertically, even across multiple text boxes. The ideal tool for working with tabular material such as annual reports. Also great for removing bullets at the beginning of a series of paragraphs.

Math Grabber™ allows you to perform spreadsheet-like calculations on numerical text appearing anywhere in a QuarkXPress document. Great for updating price charts and financials.

Print Grabber™ gives you the means to select and print any portion of a Quark document page. You can also save the page area or selected box as an EPS graphic. Print Grabber is the ideal tool for logo creation.

System Requirements

All Meadows XTensions will operate under Macintosh System software version 7.x and QuarkXPress v3.31 or later.

Installation

To install any of our XTensions, simply drag the XTension into the same folder where your QuarkXPress application is loaded. Then, launch QuarkXPress. The XTension will load automatically.

You may optionally drag the XTensions into the XTension folder which is located in the same folder where your QuarkXPress application is loaded.

Additional Documentation

The remainder of this document presents an overview of the Math Grabber™ XTension. Use the Contents menu at the top of the screen to select the chapter you are interested in. You may also use the vertical scroll bar at the bottom of the page to move between chapters, or print the entire document for easier reference. For assistance, please contact Meadows Information Systems, Inc. at (847) 882-8202. We can also be contacted via e-mail at meadows@meadowsinfo.com. If you are on the Web, stop by our site at http://www.meadowsinfo.com. Thank you for your interest in our software products!

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