

Kurzweil 3000™ for Macintosh Version 14

Quick Reference

This Quick Reference provides information about the Kurzweil 3000 for Macintosh user interface, common tasks, and important options. It does not present all available features and functions. Please consult the *Kurzweil 3000 for Macintosh* Online Help for full details about Kurzweil 3000 features and functions.

Starting Kurzweil 3000

1. Go to the location where Kurzweil 3000 is installed.
2. Double-click the **Kurzweil 3000** icon.



If the **Select Kurzweil 3000 User** window appears, select your name from the menu. If your name is not in the menu, type it in the text box to create a new user. Click **Log In**.

The initial Kurzweil 3000 user interface appears.

Note: When you start Kurzweil 3000 for the first time, the **Welcome Document** and the **Tip of the Day** display.

These elements display each time you start Kurzweil 3000, unless you turn it off. To turn them off, deselect the **Show Welcome Document** and/or the **Show Tip of the Day** option in the **Kurzweil 3000 General Preferences** pane. See [Setting Preferences](#) on page 4.

Accessing Kurzweil 3000 Help

Kurzweil 3000 Help is available in multiple forms and places:

Online Help from the **Help** menu enable you to:

- Click through the topics to find the information you need.
- Search for information by typing keyword(s) in the **Ask a Question** box.

Context Help in certain windows, when you click the question mark button, provide information about the current options.

How To videos from the **Help** menu let you watch short, instructional tutorials.

PDF guides, available on the product DVD and downloadable from www.kurzweilededu.com, are another source of information.

The Kurzweil 3000 for Macintosh User Interface

When you first start Kurzweil 3000, you see the **Menu Bar**, **Starting Points** window, the **Reader** and the **Tools** palette.



The Menu Bar and Contextual Menus	<p>The Menu Bar lets you access commands that you use to perform tasks in Kurzweil 3000.</p> <p>In addition to buttons and menus from the menu bar, there are a few Contextual Menus that provide you with relevant functions and features. One contextual menu appears in the standard view for image documents, another in Zone Edit mode, and another in text documents.</p> <p>To display a contextual menu, hold down the Control key and click.</p>
The Starting Points Window	<p>The Starting Points window appears by default when you open Kurzweil 3000 or close the last open Kurzweil 3000 document. It provides a quick way to create New text documents, Open existing documents, Read the Web, or Scan documents.</p>
The Kurzweil 3000 Reader	<p>The Reader is your main reading control panel, which also provides access to word lookup tools.</p>
The Tools Palette	<p>The re-sizable Tools palette puts annotation tools in easy reach.</p>

To show or hide the Starting Points, Reader or Tools palette:

Open the **Window** menu and choose the desired **Show/Hide** selection.

Document Windows

Each document that you create, open, or scan appears in its own **document window**.

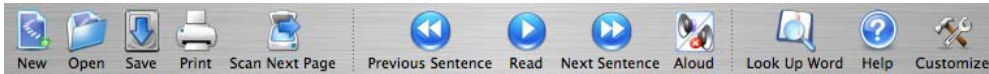
Document windows consist of a **toolbar** at the top, a **document area** below the toolbar, and, if it is an image document, a **Page Options** bar (see page 10) at the bottom of the document window.

Toolbars

By default, document windows display a toolbar appropriate to the **document type**. **Image documents**, such as TIFF or PDF documents, display the **Exploring** toolbar. **Text documents** display the **Writing** toolbar. Newly scanned documents display the **Scanning** toolbar.

Kurzweil 3000 includes six default toolbars, each containing a group of specialized tools.

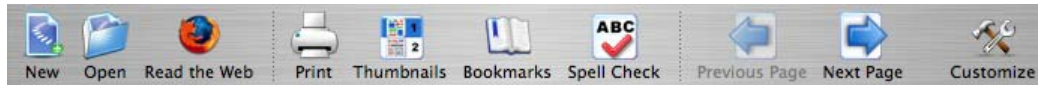
The Classic Toolbar



The Document Preparation Toolbar



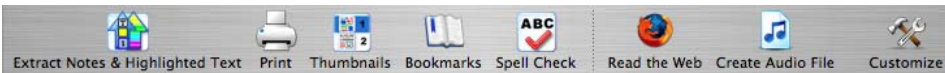
The Exploring Toolbar



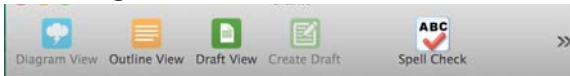
The Scanning Toolbar



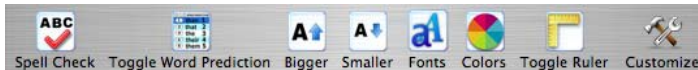
The Studying Toolbar



The Writing Path Toolbar



The Writing Toolbar



To change the currently displayed toolbar for the current document:

Choose **View > Current Toolbar**, and select a toolbar from the submenu.

To specify a different default toolbar for new documents:

Open the **Kurzweil 3000 Preferences** window, click **Toolbars**, and specify a new toolbar in the **Initial Toolbars** area.

Customizing or Creating a New Toolbar

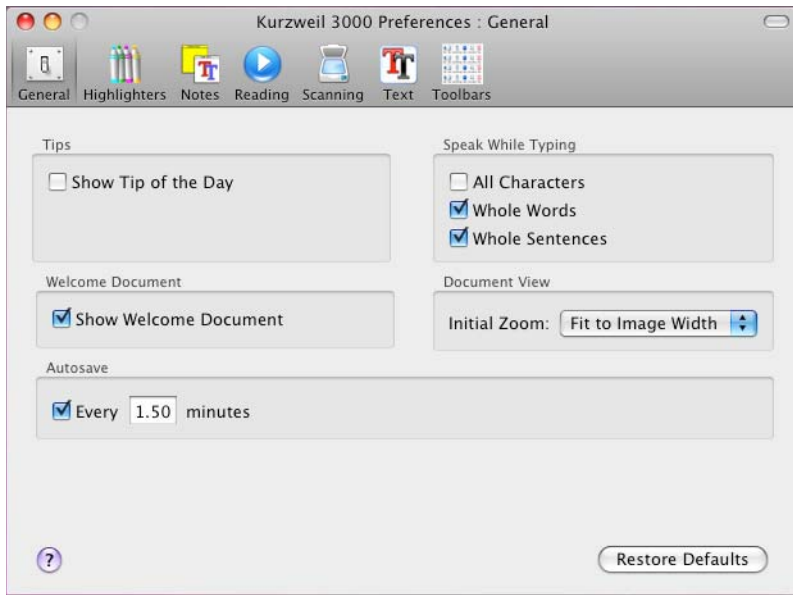
1. Choose the toolbar you want to customize. If you want to create a new toolbar, it doesn't matter which toolbar you start with.
2. With a document open, choose **View > Customize Toolbar** or click **Customize** on the toolbar.
3. Drag buttons between the **Customize** sheet and the toolbar, then click **Done**.
4. In the sheet that appears, choose **Name a New Toolbar** or **Replace Existing Toolbar**. If you are creating a new toolbar, continue to the next step.
5. In the **Edit Toolbar Names** window that opens, with **New Toolbar** highlighted, type a name for the new toolbar and click **Save**. The new toolbar's name now appears on the **View > Current Toolbar** submenu.

Setting Preferences

Preferences represent the defaults that Kurzweil 3000 uses for various tasks and display settings. You can change these default settings in the Kurzweil 3000 Preferences window. The Quick Reference identifies some of these settings where appropriate.

To access a Kurzweil 3000 Preferences pane:

1. Choose **Preferences** from the **Kurzweil 3000 Application** menu (the first menu in the menu bar after the **Apple ()** menu.)
2. In the **Preferences** window, click the button of the desired category to display the associated preferences pane: **General**, **Highlighters**, **Notes**, **Reading**, **Scanning**, **Text**, and **Toolbars**.



To restore defaults for any category of Preferences: open the desired Preferences pane and click **Restore Defaults**.

Preparing Documents

If you are preparing documents for students to read and use, take the following steps to ensure that the documents read the way you want them to and that there are no “recognition” errors.

1. Bring documents into Kurzweil 3000.	Scan or open existing image-based documents such as TIFF or PDF, or use Open as PDF to open documents directly from other applications into Kurzweil 3000. See Changing Reading Order (Edit Zones) on page 22.
2. Read the document.	Determine if there are reading order changes you need to make.
3. Edit reading order.	Use the Zone Editing function to change the reading order. See Changing Reading Order (Edit Zones) on page 22.
4. Correct misrecognized words.	After zone editing, use the Edit Underlying Text function to edit misrecognized or mispronounced words. See Correcting Recognition Errors (Edit Underlying Text) on page 22. You can also use Find and Replace and Spell Check to correct recognition errors.






Reading

In Kurzweil 3000, the most convenient way to access Reading functions is to use the **Reader**.

To Show or Hide the Reader: Choose **Show/Hide Reader** from the **Window** menu.

To Read:

1. Click inside an open document.
2. In the **Kurzweil 3000 Reader**:

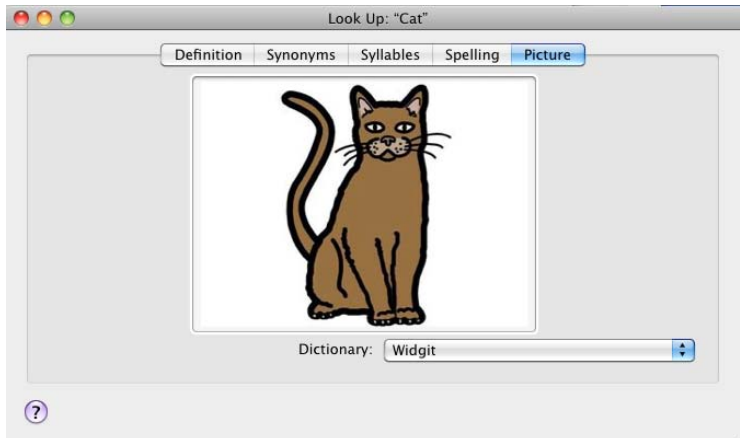
Click:	To:
	Start reading a document from the cursor position. The Read button changes to the Pause button.
	Pause reading. The Pause button changes to the Read button.
	Move the cursor backward by one reading unit. To read, click the Read button.
	Move the cursor forward by one reading unit. To read, click the Read button.
	Look up a word.

Looking Up a Word

1. Select a word in the document, and click the **Look Up Word** button, or click the button without any word selected, and type the word in **Look Up Word** window.

2. In the **Look Up your word** window, Click the tab of the desired type of information you want: Definition, Synonyms, Syllables, Spelling, or Picture. The appropriate dictionary (or dictionary choices) is displayed.

Definition defines the word, **Syllables** breaks the word into syllables, **Synonyms** lists similar words, **Syllables** breaks the word into syllables, **Spelling** gives the word's phonetic spelling, Picture shows a picture of the word.



3. Click the **Read** button in the **Reader** to hear the contents of the Look Up windows.

To change the reference used for lookup:

In the **Definition** and **Synonyms** windows, select a different reference from the Dictionary/The-saurus menu.

Translating Selected Text to Another Language

Note: This feature is not available in versions previous to Version 5.

The Kurzweil 3000 Translate feature allows you to translate selected text into another language.

1. Select the text you want to translate, then choose **Translate** from the **Online** menu.
2. The **Translate** window is displayed. There are two panes in this window. The left side displays your selection, and the right side will display the translated results.
3. In the **From** drop-down menu on the left pane, choose the language of the selected text. In the **To** drop-down menu on the right pane, choose the language in which to translate the selected text.
4. Click the **Translate** button. The results are displayed in the right side of the window.
5. Click the **Read** button to hear the contents of the translated text.

Downloading Books from Bookshare

Note: This is not available in versions earlier than Version 5.

Access to Bookshare.org provides K3000 users an extensive library of books to download and read. Bookshare is available to eligible students for download and use with Kurzweil 3000.

1. Choose **Search for Books** from the **Online** menu. The Search Bookshare window is displayed.
2. Enter an author name, a title, an ISBN, or text and click the **Search** button. The Bookshare login screen appears.
3. Enter your Bookshare Username and Password and click **Use**. A list of books is displayed
4. Select a book to download and click the **Download** button.

If you checked **Open after downloading**, the book will be opened and displayed for you to read.

Reading Content on the Web

In order to Read the Web, you must have Internet connection, and the Mozilla Firefox browser and the Kurzweil 3000 Read the Web extension installed. See the Installation Guide for details.

To use Read the Web:

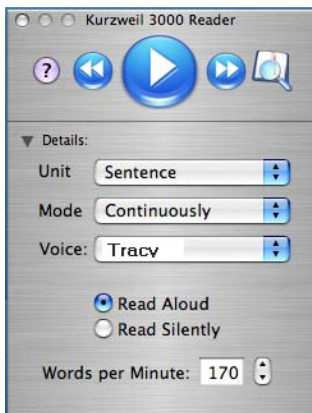
1. Click the **Read the Web** button in the **Starting Points** window or, if available, from a toolbar.



2. In the **Read the Web** window, in the address box, specify the desired Web site address, then press **Return**.
3. To read the Web page, click the **Read** button in the **Read the Web** toolbar.
4. To look up a word while reading the Web, click the **Definition** button.
5. To change Reading settings: use the **Read Mode**, **Read By** and **WPM** menus.

Changing Reading Settings

You can access Reading settings from the **Read** menu, or from the Reader Details pane: click the **Reader** disclosure triangle to display the **Details** pane.



Unit. Specify the amount of text that Kurzweil 3000 highlights at one time. Unit options are Word, Phrase, Line, Sentence and Highlight.

- **Phrase** directs Kurzweil 3000 to highlight grammatically logical blocks of text within a sentence.
- **Highlight** directs Kurzweil 3000 to read only text that you have highlighted with the color highlighters.

Mode. Specify the method by which Kurzweil 3000 reads through a document. Mode options are **Continuously**, **Self-Paced**, and **Word-By-Word**.

Voice. Choose the voice that you want Kurzweil 3000 to use as it reads. The default reading voice is **Tracy**.

Read Aloud/Silently. Specify whether or not you want to hear Kurzweil 3000 read documents aloud. In Read Silently mode, Kurzweil 3000 highlights words, but does not read aloud.

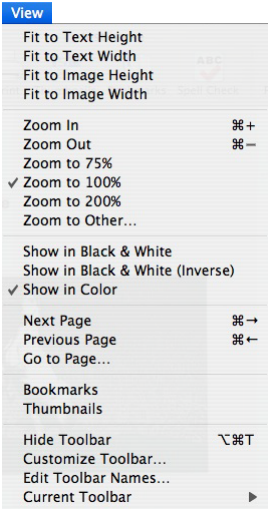

Words per Minute. Specify how fast or slow you want Kurzweil 3000 to read. Use the arrows or type the desired value in the box.

Additional Reading Preferences and Settings

To change the color pair that Kurzweil 3000 uses to highlight the reading unit and the current word:	Open the Reading Preferences (see page 4). You can use Standard sets, or select Custom colors from the Color palette. Click the radio button that corresponds to the desired choice.
To display reading words in large type:	Choose Magnify Spoken Words from the Read menu.

Viewing Image Documents


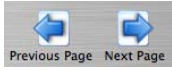


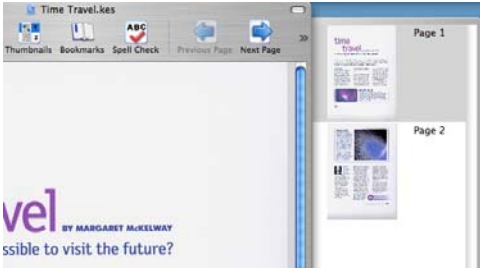
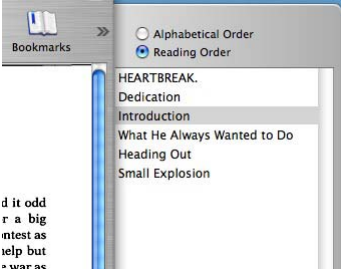
To tailor how Kurzweil 3000 displays the current image document, use one of the following:

<p>The View menu.</p> 	<p>Fit To. Specify how an image file displays in the document area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Text Height or Width causes Kurzweil 3000 to display the document based on the height or width of the document's content (text and graphics) without margins.• Image Width or Height causes Kurzweil 3000 to display the document based on the height or width of the content including any left and right or top and bottom margin area. <p>Zoom. Enlarge or shrink the image document. You can also zoom using the <i>zoom slider</i> in the Page Options bar. (See below).</p> <p>Show in Black & White or Color. Specify whether to display a <i>color</i> image in color or in black and white. If the document does not contain color this option is unavailable.</p>
<p>The Zoom controls in the Page Options bar at the bottom of the document window:</p> 	<p>Plus or Minus button. Click to zoom up or down.</p> <p>Zoom slider. Drag the control to the left to zoom down; to the right to zoom up.</p> <p>Percent box. Click and type a desired value.</p>

To change the initial document zoom for all documents that you open in Kurzweil 3000: Open the **General Preferences** pane, (see page 4), and select the desired option from the **Document View** area.

Navigating in Image Documents





There are a number of ways to navigate in an image document; use one of the following methods:

The Page box and arrows in the Page Options bar at the bottom of the document window.	
The Page Arrows in a toolbar.	
The Next Page and Previous Page from the View menu, or shortcut keys: Command Right Arrow or Command Left Arrow .	
The Go to Page sheet from the View menu.	
The Thumbnails view. Thumbnails are accessible from the View menu and through a button in certain default toolbars. Click the thumbnail of the page you want to go to.	
The Bookmarks drawer, containing bookmark descriptions; simply click the description you want. Bookmarks are accessible from the View menu and through a button in certain default toolbars.	

Note: You can also add the Thumbnails and/or Bookmarks button to any toolbar. See [Customizing or Creating a New Toolbar](#) on page 3.

Managing Documents

The Starting Points window, and most Kurzweil 3000 toolbars provide the following document management functions.

Click:	To:
	Open an existing document. Use the Open window to navigate to and open the desired document.
	Create a New text document.
	Save a document.
	Print a document.

Additional Document-Related Features from the File Menu

All document management functions can be found on the **File** menu. Some features of interest are highlighted below.

Open Recent	Open a document from a list of ten recently opened ones.
Document Info	Set options for the current document. Options include: Lock printing or copying, author's name, color for Sticky Notes, custom size and opacity for Note markers.
Extract Text	Automatically extract text from an image document, and display it in a new Kurzweil 3000 text document.
Extract Notes & Highlighted Text	Select the types of annotations and/or highlighted text to extract to a new text document.
Create Audio File	Save a text or image document as either AAC, Apple Lossless, or MP3 audio files for use on iPods, some other type of portable audio player, or with software such as iTunes.

Using Open As PDF to Bring Documents into Kurzweil 3000

You can open documents created in many other applications directly into Kurzweil 3000, using the **Open As PDF** command.

1. Open the desired document in its native application (e.g., AppleWorks, Microsoft Word).
2. Choose **Print** (usually on the **File** menu).

At the bottom of the **Print** window, click the **PDF** icon, then select **Open as PDF in Kurzweil 3000** from the menu.

The Writing Path and Views

The writing process begins with thinking of ideas and organizing your thoughts. There are three parts to the Kurzweil 3000 integrated Writing Path: (1) Brainstorm Diagram, a graphic organizer that lets you quickly collect and organize your thoughts, (2) Outline, for organizing your ideas in standard outline format, and (3) Draft, the stage after brainstorm diagramming and/or outlining, where you turn your thoughts into prose. (For more on the Writing Path, refer to the online help topic “About the Writing Path and Views”).

While in the Writing Path, you have access to familiar reading and editing functions and a tools palette.

The graphic-based Brainstorm diagram that you create shares information with the text-based Outline. You can switch back and forth between the two views, without losing data.

Creating a Brainstorm Diagram

You can create a New Blank document and start a diagram from scratch or create one from an existing template.

Open the Brainstorm window:

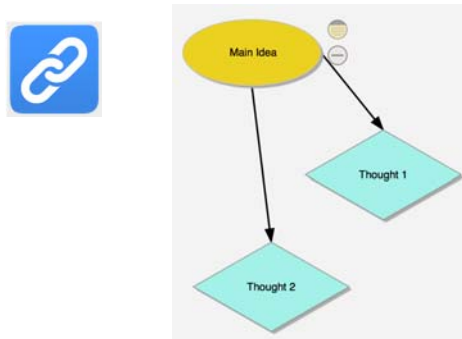


From the **File** menu, select **Start Writing -> Writing Path -> New Brainstorm Blank** or **New Brainstorm from Template**.

The default view opens with the work area containing a single graphic element – the Main Idea Oval, as a starting point; and a Brainstorm tools palette.

Brainstorm templates present a general structure, instructional and sample text that you can edit.

Link thoughts: Use **Link Thoughts**.



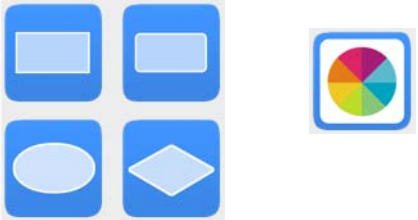
The Link button is available when there are multiple thoughts in the diagram and one thought is selected.

Select the shape that is to be higher in the hierarchy, typically a topic or key idea.

Click the **Link** button. The pointer changes to an directional arrow.

Drag the arrow into the subtopic or supporting detail to link to. Click to release the arrow.

Repeat to link to additional subtopics.

<p>Organize and Arrange thoughts</p> 	<p>To change shapes, select the thought and click on the shape button in the palette. Or use the keyboard shortcuts: Oval (CTRL-O), Rectangle (CTRL-S), Rounded Rectangle (CTRL+R), or Diamond (CTRL+D).</p> <p>To change shape color, select Fill color.</p> <p>To arrange thoughts, select, drag, and drop.</p>
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Selecting and Editing Thoughts

To select a thought, click on its shape.

To select multiple thoughts, do one of the following:

- Select a group of nearby thoughts, click in a wider area than the thoughts you want to select, then drag the selection frame across the area until all the thoughts you want are in the frame, then release the mouse button.
- Add to selected thoughts, hold the **SHIFT** key and click. To deselect a thought in this group, click on it and press **SPACEBAR**.

To edit the contents of a thought, click on it twice. The text editor box opens for you to make your changes.

Additional Brainstorm Features



To:	Do the following:
Move thoughts	Select the thought or group of thoughts. Drag and drop to the new location.
Delete thought(s), link(s)	Select thought(s) and/or link(s), then click the Delete button in the palette.
Resize a thought	Select it. Small selection circles appear, one at each corner and one on the center of each side. Click on the desired one. Drag until the thought is the size you want, then release the mouse button.
Redirect a link	Click on the link line. Two “grips” appear, one at each end of the link. Drag the end of the link to another thought, then release the mouse.
Delete a link	Click to select the desired link. Two small selection circles appear, one at each end of the link arrow. Press DELETE .

Adding and Working with Notes

For each thought you create in the diagram, you can attach a Note to add more details, expand on an idea, as well as to keep track of the sources from which your ideas originated. This can be helpful for noting paraphrases and direct quotations, and to add source information, citations, references and bibliographies.

To add a Note to a thought:

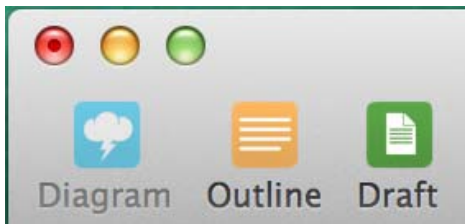
1. Select the thought if it isn't selected already.

- Click the **Note** button  on the palette to open it. A Note marker  appears indicating that the thought now has a note attached.
- Type your notes.




To open/show and close/hide a Note, select the thought that has the note, click the note marker. You can edit the open note. Whatever state you leave the note (opened or hidden) when you close the diagram, that is the state you see when you re-open the diagram.

Switching from Brainstorm (Diagram) to Other Views

From Brainstorm you can switch to the following views by clicking the desired view button at the top of the **Writing** toolbar. The choices are **Outline** and **Draft**.



You can also select the desired option from the **View->Writing Path** submenu.

Brainstorm to Outline. 	Click the Outline button.
Brainstorm to Draft. 	Click the Draft button to begin writing.
Back to Diagram. 	Click the Diagram button.

Creating an Outline from Brainstorm

The Kurzweil 3000 Outline feature lets you organize your ideas into a standard outline format that you can follow as you write. From the Brainstorm diagram, click the **Outline** button. Once you have opened the Outline view, use the Outline buttons on the Palette to create the outline. For more information, refer to “Creating an Outline” in the online help.

Creating a Draft from Brainstorm

From the Brainstorm diagram, click the **Outline** button. In Outline view, click the **Create Draft** button on the Writing Path toolbar. The outline text appears in the draft, ready for you to expand into prose. For more information, refer to “Creating and Working with a Draft” in the online help.

The draft file you create functions like a KES text file; you can edit, and use writing supports such as Word Lookup, Word Prediction, Spell Check, and Word Lists. See [Writing and Editing](#) on page 15 for more information.

Writing and Editing

When writing or editing a text document, the primary place to look for tools and commands is the **Writing** toolbar. The **Writing** toolbar includes font selection, color and sizing buttons, as well as Spell Check, Word Prediction, and a Ruler for access to style, text alignment, line spacing and list and table formatting tools.

All of the writing and editing options, with the exception of editing underlying text, apply to text documents. In image documents, you can edit the underlying text, copy (or drag and drop) text to a text document or another image document, and use **Find** and **Replace** and **Spell Checking**.

Changing Font Appearance

Size	Click the Bigger or Smaller button on the Writing toolbar. To specify a value, use Fonts on the Writing toolbar.
Font Family, Typeface, Color	Use the Fonts and Colors buttons on the Writing toolbar.
Styles , such as Bold, Italic, Outline	With the Ruler enabled from the Writing toolbar, use the Styles menu.
Note:	All of the features mentioned above are also available in the Format > Font submenu, or in the Text Document contextual menu.)

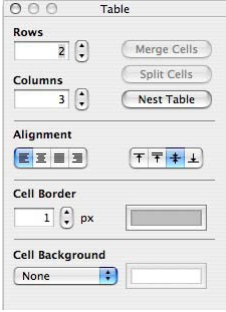

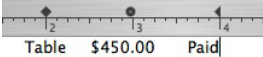

Changing Text and Writing Preferences

There are two additional places where you can set Font and Writing Preferences, as listed below. For more information about preferences, see [Setting Preferences](#) on page 4.

Set Font Family, Typeface, Colors, and Size for Text window and for Magnify Spoken Words window.	Click Text in Kurzweil 3000 > Preferences . Changes made to Preferences become the default for all documents that you create in Kurzweil 3000.
Set Speak While Typing preferences.	By default, as you type in Kurzweil 3000, it reads back Whole Words and Whole Sentences . There is a third option to read All Characters . To enable or disable these features, click General in Kurzweil 3000 > Preferences .

Formatting

Most of the formatting features are available from the **Format >Text** submenu, or from the **Ruler**, which you can enable by clicking **Toggle Ruler** in the **Writing** toolbar, see [Toolbars](#) on page 2.

Text Alignment.	From the Ruler , click the Alignment buttons.
Line Spacing.	From the Ruler , use the Spacing menu.
Lists such as bullet, number, or Roman numeral.	From the Ruler , use the Lists menu.
Tables.	Choose Table from the Format >Text submenu. 
Margins.	From the Ruler , drag and drop a Margin marker (downward-facing arrow) to a new location. 
Tabs.	From the Ruler , use the Tab palette to drag and drop the desired Tab type onto the Ruler. The example below shows the Centered, Decimal and Right Justified tabs. 
Indentations.	From the Ruler , drag and drop the Indent marker (T-shaped) to the desired location. 

Additional Formatting Features for Text Documents

The **Format** menu includes an expanded group of formatting options.

From the Format > Font submenu.	Copy/Paste Style of one text selection to another text selection.
From the Format > Text submenu.	Copy/Paste Ruler from the current document to the ruler in another document. Link selected text to a link destination, such as a Web site.
Format > Wrap	Remove hard returns in text file.

Additional Editing Features

The **Edit** menu includes standard editing options along with Kurzweil 3000-specific ones, some of which are highlighted below. The availability of certain options depends on whether you are working in an image or text document.

To:	Choose:
Editing text in an image document:	Edit Underlying Text. See Changing Reading Order (Edit Zones) on page 22.
Set a different first page number, or a different numbering scheme for front matter pages.	Set First Page Number.
Change the pagination in an image document:	Delete Current Page. Move Page. Specify the page number of the page you want to insert before the current page.
Enable Word Prediction in a text document:	Word Prediction. See Using Word Prediction on page 18.
Enable/edit Vocabulary List in a text document:	Vocabulary Lists. See Changing Reading Order (Edit Zones) on page 22.
Find and replace words in either text or image document:	Find. May be used to edit underlying text in an image document. See Correcting Recognition Errors (Edit Underlying Text) on page 22.
Spell check a text or image document:	Spelling using the Spelling window.
Enable spell checking of words you type in a text document:	Spelling > Check Spelling While You Type.
Insert a special character or symbols, such as Math signs:	Special Characters.

Working with Vocabulary Lists

Kurzweil 3000 Vocabulary Lists are ideal for special, individualized, class, or study unit word lists.

To create a list:

1. Choose **Vocabulary Lists** from the **Edit** menu.
2. In the **Vocabulary Lists** window, click the **New** (+, plus sign) button to add a "New List."
3. Type a name for the new vocabulary list.
4. Click **Edit**.
5. In the window that appears, type the words you want for the list. You can also provide a definition and/or related words.
6. When you finish, click the **Close** button to return to the **Vocabulary Lists** window.

The new list now appears in the Vocabulary Lists window. It is enabled by default, making it available to Word Prediction.

To enable or disable a vocabulary list:

In the **Vocabulary Lists** window, click the desired list name, and click its check box.

Enabling a list makes its word available in the Word Prediction Window. The words are highlighted using the color associated with it in the window. You can change the color by clicking the color bar and choosing a new color.

Note: Kurzweil 3000 includes two specialized grammar-oriented vocabulary list types:

Homophones and **Confusable Words**. There are three grade-level specific versions of each of these lists. Kurzweil also contains an **Academic Words** list.

Using Word Prediction

In a document you are typing, choose **Predict As You Type** from the **Edit > Word Prediction** submenu. As you type, Kurzweil 3000 presents possible words in the **Word Prediction** window. If there are words from a Kurzweil 3000 Vocabulary List, they are highlighted.

To read a word in the list: click it.

To select a word:

Click the number button associated with the word you want, to insert the word into your text at the insertion point.

To see a word's additional information (such as definitions or related words):

Double-click it. The **Word Prediction** window expands. To have Kurzweil 3000 read the contents, click **Read** from the **Reader**.


Word Prediction Options from the Word Prediction Submenu

To:	Choose this from the Word Prediction submenu:
Have the Word Prediction window move as you type:	Follow Cursor
Have Word Prediction present words based on phonetic spelling:	Use Phonetic Prediction
Add words to the Word Prediction database based on the words you use:	Learn as You Type
Add words from a file into the Word Prediction database:	Train from...
Save a database for use on another machine running Kurzweil 3000 or to make them available to other Kurzweil 3000 users:	Save Current Database
Use a default, starter Word Prediction database:	Reset Database Resetting to Empty lets you start with a new and empty database.
Restore a saved database:	Restore Saved Database

Using the Study Skills Tools

Use the Study Skills tools to add annotations or to highlight passages of text in your documents. The Study Skills tools are on the **Tools** palette, and consist of the color Highlighters, Notes and Bookmarks as well as the Selector, and the Eraser.

The Tools Palette



From left to right: **Selector** allows you to deselect active tool. **Eraser** lets you remove highlighting, Notes and Bookmarks.

Color Highlighters for highlighting important passages, for indicating multiple levels and types of information, and for highlighting test answers.

Circle Tools for circling important words and passages. May be used for circling test answers.

Annotation Tools from left to right/top to bottom:
Footnote, Voice Note
Sticky Note, Text Note
Bubble Note, Bookmark

For information about Bubble Notes, see see [Working with Bubble Notes](#) on page 20.

To:	Do this:
Use a tool:	Select the desired tool in the Tools palette. Its background changes color, and the mouse cursor changes to a miniature image of the selected tool. The tool remains selected until you select another tool or the Selector .
Highlight or Circle text:	Select the desired tool. Click on a word or where you want to begin, then drag to highlight or circle text.
Create a Note:	Select the desired Note tool. In the document, click to place the Note marker or Note. (Footnotes have numbered markers.) For Sticky and Text Notes, click inside the Note, and type. For Voice Notes, record. For Bookmarks, type the description in the drawer that opens.
Open and read a Note:	Click the Note marker or Note to open it; click Read from the Reader to hear the note, or in the case of the Voice Note, click Play . (Bookmarks open a drawer with descriptions; you can use the descriptions for document navigation.)
Move a Note:	Select the desired tool. In the document, move the cursor over the Note marker or Note (in a Note, the Hand cursor appears), then drag the Note marker or Note to a new location.
Resize the Tools palette:	Drag the lower right-hand corner of the palette to the desired size.

Working with Bubble Notes

Bubble Notes are typically created by a teacher to give students instructions or to assess comprehension by creating quick questions. Depending on the selected options, a Bubble Note may either open or not open, read or not read when opened, read before or after a unit or word.

To:	Do this:
Open and Hear a Bubble Note:	By default, Bubble Notes open automatically and read. To open and hear a specific Bubble Note, click its marker in the document, and click Read .
Respond with text answer:	In the Bubble Note, click in the text area and type.
Select a choice(s):	In the Bubble Note, click the desired radio button(s).
Match answers:	In the Bubble Note, click the line associated with an item, drag and drop the line to an item in the right-hand column.
Create a Bubble Note:	Select Bubble Note from the Tools palette and click in the text where you want to place it. The Edit window opens.
Edit a Bubble Note:	Select Bubble Note from Tools , align the cursor with the desired marker in the document and click. The Edit window opens.
Not have a Bubble Note read:	In the Bubble Note Edit window, deselect Read Note .
Specify reading options:	In the Bubble Note Edit window, use the Open menu.
Design answer methods:	In the Bubble Note Edit window, use the Question menu.

Additional Study Skills Options and Preferences

To:	Do this:
Create an outline, summary or study notes document. Also ideal for creating a brainstorming document for writing assignments.	Use color highlighters to highlight important information, then choose Extract Note and Highlighted Text from the Edit menu. Options include: Indentations and Show/Hide Note Numbers .
Read only highlighted text. Ideal for reading through important text in a document.	With information in the document color highlighted, choose Highlights Only from the Read > Reading Unit submenu or Highlight from the Reading Units list in the Reader Details .
Assign labels for the different colored text highlighters and circles. Ideal for distinguishing different types of information.	Click Highlighters in the Kurzweil 3000 Preferences window. In the desired highlighter box, type a new name.
Hide highlights and circles in document to view it in its original state.	Click Highlighters in the Kurzweil 3000 Preferences window. Click the Hide checkbox for the desired highlighter or circle color.
Hide annotations to view the document in its original state, and/or change various aspects of note appearance.	Use the Notes pane from the Kurzweil 3000 Preferences window. Options include: Sticky Notes color, Text Note borders, and note marker opacity and size.

Scanning

The general procedure for scanning documents into Kurzweil 3000 is:

1. Make sure your scanner is turned on.
2. Place the page on the scanner glass.
3. Click the **Scan** button in the **Starting Points** window, or select **Scan New Document** from the **Scan** menu.

Scanning proceeds. When the scan is complete the page image appears in a Kurzweil 3000 document window, displaying the default Scanning toolbar.

- Click **Rescan Page** to scan a page again. Replaces the current page.
- Click **Scan Next Page** to scan a page and add it to the end of the current document.

4. Click the **End Scanning Session** button when you are finished scanning pages.

Scanning Options and Preferences

To:	Do this:
Retain the colors of a document in the scanned file:	Choose Scan > Scan in Color .
Scan more quickly and produce a smaller file:	Choose Scan > Scan in Black & White .
Rotate or invert the scanned page:	Use the Scan > Rotate submenu.
Optimize scanning of documents that contain frequent tables:	In the Scanning Preferences window, uncheck the Find Columns checkbox.
Scan at a specific width and height for originals that are non-standard size:	In the Scanning Preferences window. Specify the desired Width and Height in the Scan Area .
Specify the orientation of a page on the scanner glass (can speed up scanning):	In the Scanning Preferences window, click the desired Orientation setting.
Scan an original that has light text on a dark background, or both Black and White text:	In the Scanning Preferences window, click the desired setting in the Text Color area.

Changing Reading Order (Edit Zones)

Part of the Document Preparation process, Zone Editing allows you to specify how Kurzweil 3000 reads blocks of text, or *zones*, in a scanned or image-based documents, such as PDF or TIFF.

Note: Always Zone Edit before correcting underlying text.

To edit zones:

1. In the desired document, choose **Edit Zones**, from the **Scan > Zones** submenu.
The document appears in zone edit view. Zones appear in numbered, colored frames.
2. Click on a zone to select it.
3. Hold down the **Control** key and click in the zone to display the **Zone Edit** contextual menu.
4. Select the desired option:
 - **Primary Text** to have Kurzweil 3000 read zones in the order you specify.
 - **Secondary Text** to read zones only when clicked.
 - **Graphic** to not have Kurzweil 3000 read a zone.
 - **Set Reading Order** (Primary and Secondary zones only) to display the **Reading Order** window and designate the order in which Kurzweil 3000 reads zones. Zone 1 is read first, zone 2 second, and so on. (Secondary zones are always assigned the highest numbers on a page.)
 - **Read One Zone Earlier, or Later** to have Kurzweil 3000 read the selected zone before or after the its neighbor.
 - **Read as First Primary Text Zone or Last Primary Text Zone** to have Kurzweil 3000 read the selected zone before the zone that is currently designated as the first Primary Zone or after the Last Primary Zone.

To add a zone, click and drag in the document. You can resize and move the new zone frame using the mouse cursor. To delete a zone, click the **Eraser** button then click inside the zone you want to delete.

Correcting Recognition Errors (Edit Underlying Text)

The Optical Character Recognition (OCR) part of the scanning process does not provide error-proof scanning. If, as Kurzweil 3000 reads your document, you hear mistaken pronunciations, you will need edit underlying text. You can also use Find and Replace to correct recognition errors.

Note: You should always Zone Edit before correcting scan errors.

To edit the text under an image document:

1. Click in the area you want to edit, or select a region of text.
2. Choose **Edit Underlying Text** from the **Edit** menu.

The **Edit Underlying Text** window appears. The text in the top row displays the image of the text. The bottom row displays the text as recognized by Kurzweil 3000.

3. Click a word in the top row that you want to edit.
4. Change the text to correct the error. Continue this procedure for each mis-recognized word in the document.

Test Taking (for teachers)

Preparing Tests

Task:	How to do it:
Bring the test into Kurzweil 3000.	Scan an existing test. Open a test created in another application.
Add “type in” boxes to questions.	Add empty Text Notes to the “answer line” of each question.
Add special instructions to test.	Add Sticky Notes , Text Notes , or Voice Notes to provide additional instructions or guidance where appropriate.

Customizing Tests

Customization:	Where to set it:
Adjust reading speed.	Read menu.
Have the Help Tags for toolbar buttons spoken.	General Preferences.
Turn Speak as Typing on or off.	General Preferences.
Select or deselect features.	Lock Features Preferences.

Locking Features:

You can lock most Kurzweil 3000 features during testing or other controlled activities.

1. Choose **Lock Features** from the **Kurzweil 3000** menu.
2. In the **Lock Features** window, click the checkbox(es) of the feature(s) you want to lock.
3. Click the **Lock** button.
4. In the **Password** window, enter a password, and click **OK**.

You will need to reenter the password to re-enable any features you locked.

Unlocking Features:

1. In the **Lock Features** window, click the **Lock** button.
2. In the **Password** window, enter the same password that you used to lock the features, and click **OK**.
3. Make the desired changes.

If you simply want to unlock all of the currently locked features, click **Uncheck All**, and then click **OK**.

Test Taking (for students)

Highlight answers.	Use Color Highlighters from the Tools palette to indicate correct answers for multiple-choice type questions.
Type answers.	Type answers into a Text Note box. Text Notes may be pre-inserted or students can add them using the Text Note tool from the Tools palette.
Drag and drop answers.	Ideal for “open book” tests. Students open scanned curriculum and drag information from it into the test.
Circle answers.	Use the Circle tools from the Tools palette.

Keyboard Equivalent

Reading	
Start Reading	⌘ + R
Stop Reading	⌘ + period
Read Faster	⌘ +]
Read Slower	⌘ + [
Look Up Word	⌘ + L

File	
New Text Document	⌘ + N
Open	⌘ + O
Save	⌘ + S
Save As	Shift + ⌘ + S
Page Setup	Shift + ⌘ + P
Print	⌘ + P
Close	⌘ + W

Kurzweil Writing Path	
Create Shape	
Oval	Option+1
Rectangle	Option+2
Rounded Rectangle	Option+3
Diamond	Option+4
Notes Create/Show/Hide Delete	Option+T Shift+Option+T
Link Create	Option+L

Topics	
Add Topic	Option+A
Add Sub-Topic	Shift+Option+A
Move to Left/Promote	Option+Left Arrow
Move to Right/Demote	Option+Right Arrow
Move Up	Option+Up Arrow
Move Down	Option+Down Arrow
Color	Option+C
Delete	Delete or Backspace

Editing	
Cut	⌘ + X
Copy	⌘ + C
Paste	⌘ + V
Select All	⌘ + A
Find	⌘ + F
Edit Underlying Text	⌘ + E
Undo	⌘ + Z
Spelling	⌘ + :
Check Spelling	⌘ + ;

Navigation	
Next page	⌘ + Right Arrow
Previous Page	⌘ + Left Arrow

Kurzweil 3000 Help	⌘ + question mark
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Zone Editing	
Make Primary Text	⌘ + 1
Make Secondary Text	⌘ + 2
Make Graphic	⌘ + 3
Read One Zone (Primary/Secondary) Earlier	⌘ + Up Arrow
Read One Zone (Primary/Secondary) Later	⌘ + Down Arrow

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