Our good old first Win32 programme of lecture 8

```
#include <windows.h>
int WINAPI WinMain (HINSTANCE hInstance,
                    HINSTANCE hPrevInstance,
                    LPSTR lpCmdLine,
                    int nCmdShow)
  MessageBox (NULL, "This is our first Windows
  Programming Application.", "Virtual
  University", MB OK);
  return 0;
```

Modal Dialog Box contains a *Modal Loop*

DialogBox() API function creates a Modal Dialog.

DialogBox() does not return until the dialog is dismissed.

Dialog Resource Definition Statement Dialog Resource Template

```
IDD_ABOUT_DIALOG DIALOG DISCARDABLE 0, 0, 265, 124

STYLE DS_MODALFRAME | WS_POPUP | WS_CAPTION | WS_SYSMENU

CAPTION "About"

FONT 8, "MS Sans Serif"

BEGIN

DEFPUSHBUTTON "OK",IDOK,208,7,50,14

PUSHBUTTON "Cancel",IDCANCEL,208,24,50,14

LTEXT "Some copyright text", IDC_STATIC,

67, 27,107,47

ICON IDI_ICON_VU,IDC_STATIC,17,14,20,20

END
```

Controls in a Dialog Resource Definition statement

LTEXT Left-aligned static control

RTEXT Right-aligned static control

CTEXT Centre-aligned static control

DialogBox() API

```
INT_PTR DialogBox(
    HINSTANCE hInstance, // handle to module
    LPCTSTR lpTemplate, // dialog box template
    HWND hWndParent, // handle to owner window
    DLGPROC lpDialogFunc // dialog box procedure
);
```

Dialog Box Procedure

```
BOOL CALLBACK DialogProc(

HWND hwndDlg, // handle to dialog box

UINT uMsg, // message

WPARAM wParam, // first message parameter

LPARAM lParam // second message parameter
);
```

Dialog Box Procedure

```
BOOL CALLBACK AboutAuthorDialog (HWND hDlg, UINT message,
                              WPARAM wParam, LPARAM lParam)
       switch (message)
       case WM INITDIALOG:
              return TRUE;
       case WM COMMAND:
              switch(LOWORD(wParam))
              case IDOK:
              case IDCANCEL:
                     EndDialog(hDlg, 0);
                     return TRUE;
              break;
       return FALSE;
```

WM_INITDIALOG message

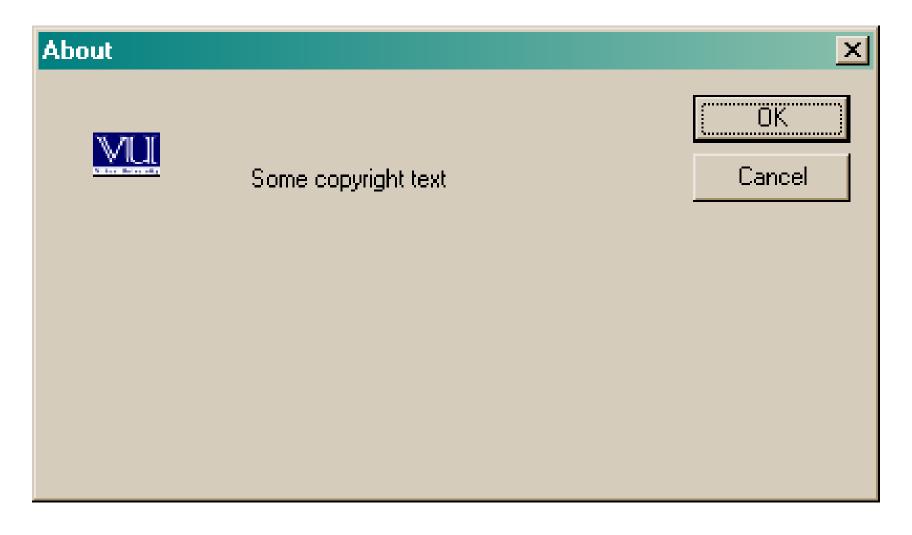
Sent by system just after creating the dialog and just before making it visible

If FALSE is returned, it prevents the system from setting the default keyboard focus.

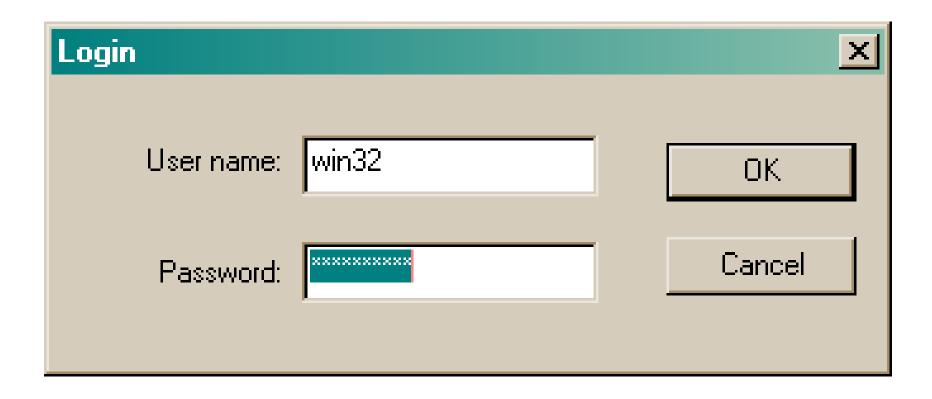
If TRUE is returned, keyboard focus is set to the control specified by *wParam*.

Displaying "About..." box from a menu

About dialog



Modal Dialogs



GetDlgItem

Retrieve a handle to a control in the specified dialog box.

```
HWND GetDlgItem(
HWND hDlg, // handle to dialog box int nIDDlgItem // control identifier);
```

SetWindowText

Set the text of a control or the title bar of a window

```
BOOL SetWindowText(
HWND hWnd, // handle to window or control
LPCTSTR IpString // title or text
);
```

GetDlgCtrlID

Retrieve the identifier of the specified control.

```
int GetDlgCtrlID(
   HWND hwndCtl // handle to control
);
```

GetDlgItemText

Retrieve the text associated with a control in a dialog box

```
UINT GetDlgItemText(
   HWND hDlg, // handle to dialog box int nIDDlgItem, // control identifier
   LPTSTR lpString, // pointer to buffer for text int nMaxCount // maximum size of string );
```

SendDlgItemMessage

sends a message to the specified control in a dialog box

```
LRESULT SendDlgItemMessage(
HWND hDlg, // handle to dialog box
int nIDDlgItem, // control identifier
UINT Msg, // message to send
WPARAM wParam, // first message parameter
LPARAM IParam // second message parameter
);
```

Edit control messages EM_LIMITTEXT,

```
wParam, // text length
IParam // not used; must be zero
```

Sets the text limit of an edit control

Window/control messages

Setting or getting text associated with a window or control

```
WM GETTEXT
wParam, // number of characters to copy
IParam // text buffer
WM SETTEXT
wParam, // not used; must be zero
IParam
           // window-text string (LPCTSTR)
GetWindowText() function internally sends a
```

WM GETTEXT message to get the text

Window/control messages

Set or retrieve current selection in an edit control

```
EM_SETSEL or EM_GETSEL
```

```
wParam, // starting position
```

IParam // ending position

Parameters to a Dialog

Passing information to the dialog

```
INT_PTR DialogBoxParam(
HINSTANCE hInstance, // handle to module
LPCTSTR IpTemplateName, // dialog box template
HWND hWndParent, // handle to owner window
DLGPROC IpDialogFunc, // dialog box procedure
LPARAM dwInitParam // initialization value
);
```

IParam parameter of WM_INITDIALOG contains dwInitParam

CreateDialog

```
HWND CreateDialog(
HINSTANCE hInstance, // handle to module
LPCTSTR IpTemplate, // dialog box template name
HWND hWndParent, // handle to owner window
DLGPROC IpDialogFunc // dialog box procedure
);
```

Creates a modeless dialog and returns a handle to the new dialog

Window show state

```
BOOL ShowWindow(
HWND hWnd, // handle to window int nCmdShow // show state
);
```

Sets the show-state of a specified window

Dispatching modeless dialog messages

Processes a message if it is intended for the specified dialog box.

```
BOOL IsDialogMessage(
   HWND hDlg, // handle to dialog box
   LPMSG IpMsg // message to be checked
);
```

Message Loop

Message loop to dispatch messages to a modeless dialog

```
While(GetMessage(&msg, NULL, 0, 0) > 1)
{
    if(!IsDialogMessage(hDlg, &msg))
    {
        TranslateMessage(&msg);
        DispatchMessage(&msg);
    }
}
```

Windows Common Dialogs

- File Open
- Choose font
- Choose colour
- Print

Windows Common Controls

- Date time picker
- List View
- Property sheets
- Status bar
- Toolbar
- Tree View