CHAPTER 12 – CLIPBOARD

Purpose: The Windows clipboard allows data transfer between programs.

Simple Mechanism: It requires minimal overhead for both data insertion and retrieval.

Clipboard Viewer: Windows 98 and NT include programs to show the current clipboard content.

Common Clipboard Interactions: Many programs have Cut/Copy/Paste functionality for data transfer.

* Cut/Copy: Transfers data (text, bitmap, metafile) from program to clipboard.
* Paste: Transfers data from clipboard to program based on supported formats.

User Control: Programs should only access clipboard with explicit user instructions.

Data Persistence: Cut/Copy data remains in clipboard until next Cut/Copy.

Chapter Focus: Transferring text data to and from the clipboard.

Future Chapters: Clipboard usage with bitmaps (Chapters 14-16) and metafiles (Chapter 18).

Clipboard Data Formats: In-depth Breakdown

