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Topic: Word Processing Basics

Objectives

Introduction

Tool Bars used in MS-Word

Using the Help function in MS-Word

Summary

Check Your Progress – Answers

OBJECTIVES

After reading this chapter you will be able to:

- Explain the concept of Word processing and its advantages
- Identify the various aspects related to the word screen
- Describe in detail the various bars used in MS-Word
- Describe in detail the use of the Help function in MS-Word

INTRODUCTION

Word processing is an application program that allows you to create letters, reports, newsletters, tables, form letters, brochures, and Web pages. Using this application program you can add pictures, tables, and charts to your documents. You can also check spelling and grammar.
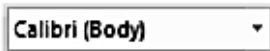
A word processor is an electronic device or computer application software that performs word processing: the composition, editing, formatting and sometimes printing of any sort of written material. Word processing can also refer to advanced shorthand techniques, sometimes used in specialized contexts with a specially modified typewriter. The term was coined at IBM's Böblingen, West Germany Laboratory in the 1960s. Typical features of a word processor include font application, spell checking, grammar checking, a built-in thesaurus, automatic text correction, Web integration and HTML exporting, among others.

The word processor emerged as a stand-alone office machine in the 1970s and 1980s, combining the keyboard text-entry and printing functions of an electric typewriter with a dedicated computer processor for the editing of text. Although features and designs varied among manufacturers and models, and new features were added as technology advanced, word processors typically featured a monochrome display and the ability to save documents on memory cards or diskettes. Later models introduced innovations such as spell-checking programs, improved formatting options, and dot-matrix printing.

The Home Tab:
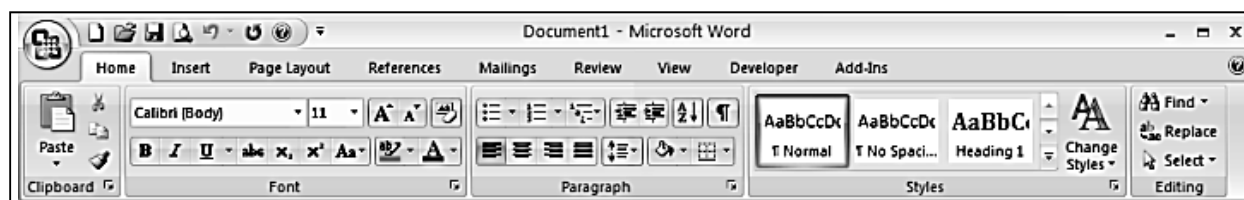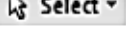
Icon	Description
Clipboard	
Paste	Pastes the contents of the clipboard in the cursor's current location
✂	Removes the currently selected item from the document and places it on the clipboard
📋	Copies the currently selected item to the clipboard (while leaving it in the current document also)
🖌	Copies the formatting of the currently selected item to apply to the next selected item
⤵	Shows the clipboard and other options

Font	
Calibri (Body)	Font
11	Font size
A˄	Increase font size
A˅	Decrease font size
🗛	Clear formatting from the selected item
B	Bold
I	Italics
U	Underline (the arrow will give you line options)
abc	Strikethrough
x₂	Subscript
x²	Superscript
Aa	Options for changing the case of words
ab	Highlight the selected item (the arrow will give you color options)
A	Font color
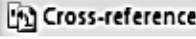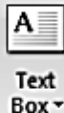
Paragraph		
	Bulleted list (the arrow will give you bullet options)	
	Numbered list (the arrow will give you number options)	
	Multi-level list (the arrow will give you level options)	
	Decrease indent	
	Increase indent	
	Left align	
	Center align	
	Right align	
	Justify	
	Line spacing	
	Paragraph shading (the arrow will give you color options)	
	Paragraph border (the arrow will give you border options)	
	More paragraph formatting options	

Styles	
AaBbCc ¶ Normal	Applies the quick style to the selected text
	Scroll through the quick styles
Change Styles	Change style set, colors, or fonts
	More style options
Editing	
Find	Find text in the document
Replace	Replace text in document
Select	Item selection options (Select All, Select Objects, and Select Text with Similar Formatting)

The Insert Tab:
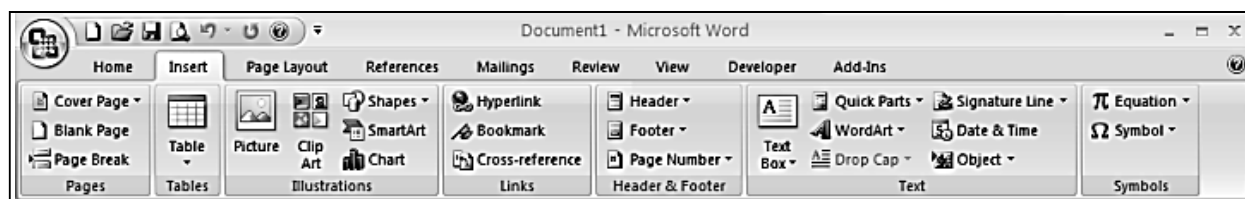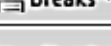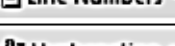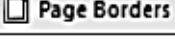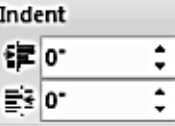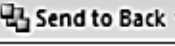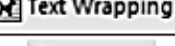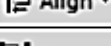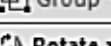
Icon	Description
Pages	
Cover Page ▼	Insert cover page
Blank Page	Insert blank page
Page Break	Insert page break
Tables	
Table ▼	Insert a table
Illustrations	
Picture	Insert a picture from a file
Clip Art	Insert Microsoft clip art
Shapes ▼	Insert shapes or drawing canvas
SmartArt	Insert a Smart Art diagram
Chart	Insert a chart
Links	
Hyperlink	Insert a hyperlink to a website
Bookmark	Insert a bookmark
Cross-reference	Insert a cross-reference
Header & Footer	
Header ▼	Insert or edit a header
Footer ▼	Insert or edit a footer
Page Number ▼	Insert a page number
Text	

	Text Box (A icon)	Insert a text box
	Quick Parts	Insert a document quick part (Author, Abstract, Title, etc)
	WordArt	Insert Word Art
	Drop Cap	Changes the first letter of the selected paragraph into a large letter while keeping the rest of the text normal sized
	Signature Line	Insert a signature line
	Date & Time	Insert the date and/or time
	Object	Insert a range of other types of objects
Symbols		
	Equation	Insert an equation (the arrow provides built-in equations)
	Symbol	Insert a symbol

Page Layout Tab:
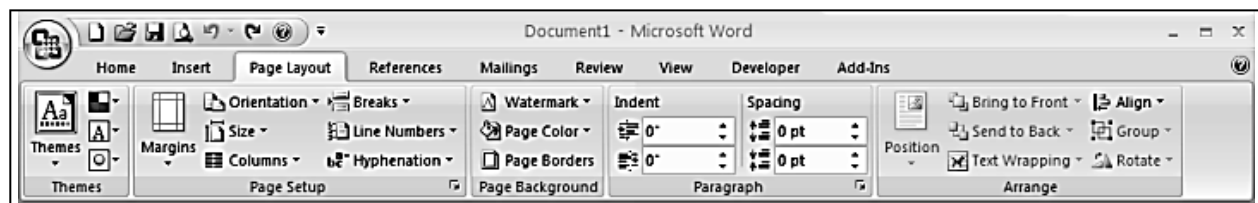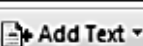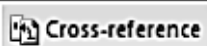
Icon	Description
Themes	
Aa Themes	Change document theme (only works if using styles)
■▾	Change theme colors
A▾	Change theme font
●▾	Change theme effects
Page Setup	
Margins	Set margins
Orientation ▾	Set page orientation
Size ▾	Set page size
Columns ▾	Split the page into columns
Breaks ▾	Set page & section breaks
Line Numbers ▾	Show line numbers & line number settings
Hyphenation ▾	Hyphenation settings
⌐	More page setup options
Page Background	
Watermark ▾	Set watermark
Page Color ▾	Set page background color
Page Borders	Set page borders
Paragraph	
Indent 0" 0"	Change left and right indentation
Spacing 0 pt	Change the spacing before and after the paragraph

Arrange	
Position	Set the position of an object in relation to the text
Bring to Front ▾	Bring selected object to front of all other objects
Send to Back ▾	Send selected object to back of all other objects
Text Wrapping ▾	Set how the text will wrap around the object
Align ▾	Set object alignment
Group ▾	Group objects together
Rotate ▾	Rotate object

References Tab:
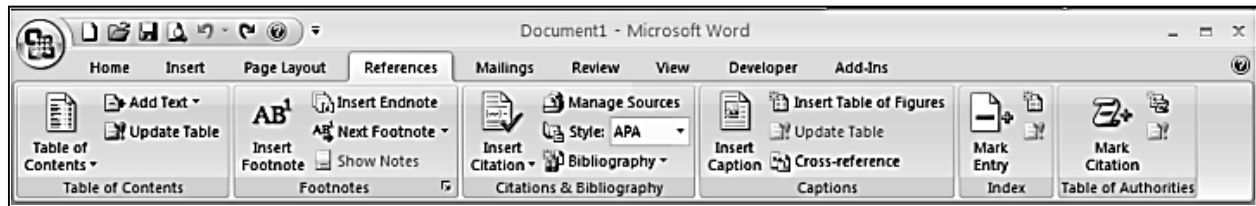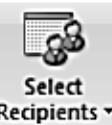
Icon	Description
Table of Contents	
Table of Contents	Create a table of contents
Add Text	Add text that will show in the table of contents
Update Table	Update the table of contents to show the correct page numbers
Footnotes	
AB^1 Insert Footnote	Add a footnote
Insert Endnote	Add an endnote
Next Footnote	Navigate to the next footnote (the arrow allows you other footnote and endnote navigation)
Show Notes	Scroll the document to show the location of footnotes and endnotes
⌐	More footnote and endnote options
Citations & Bibliography	
Insert Citation	Add a citation
Manage Sources	View the list of all sources cited
Style: APA	Select the citation format for the document
Bibliography	Create a bibliography
Captions	
Insert Caption	Add a caption to an image
Insert Table of Figures	Insert a table of all figures in the document
Update Table	Update the table of figures to include all entries
Cross-reference	Insert a reference to an item in the document
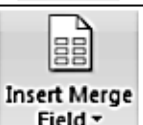
Index

Mark Entry	Include selected text in the index
(icon)	Insert the index
(icon)	Update the index to include all entries

Table of Authorities

Mark Citation	Include selected text in the table of authorities
(icon)	Insert the table of authorities
(icon)	Update the table of authorities to include all entries

The Mailings Tab:
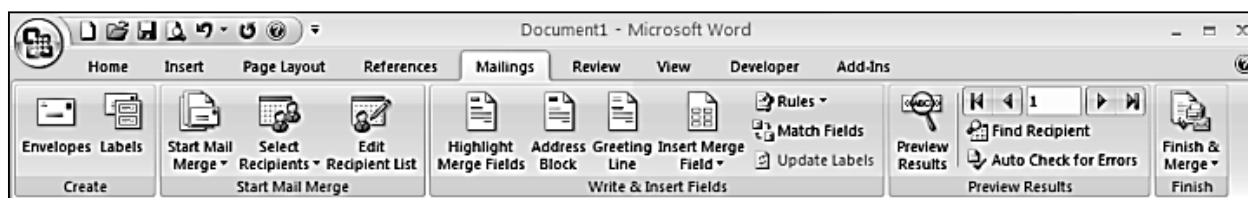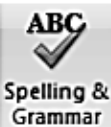
Icon	Description
Create	
Envelopes	Create and print envelopes
Labels	Create and print labels
Start Mail Merge	
Start Mail Merge	Create a mail merge document (letters, emails, envelopes, labels, directory, normal document, or wizard)
Select Recipients	Select the mail merge recipients (type a list, use an existing spreadsheet or database, or select from Outlook contacts)
Edit Recipient List	View, edit, sort, filter, and select the recipients from the list
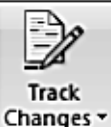
Write & Insert Fields	
Highlight Merge Fields	Highlight merge fields that have been inserted into the document
Address Block	Insert an address block
Greeting Line	Insert a greeting line
Insert Merge Field ▾	Insert a merge field
Rules ▾	Create rules to help select recipients
Match Fields	Match the source fields to the Word defined fields
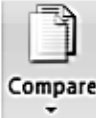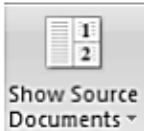
Update Labels	Update labels to use information from the recipient list
Preview Results	
Preview Results	Replaces the merge field place holders with actual recipient data
⏮ ◀ 1 ▶ ⏭	Navigate through the recipient list in the preview
Find Recipient	Search for a specific recipient for previewing
Auto Check for Errors	Specify how to handle errors
Finish	
Finish & Merge ▾	Complete the mail merge

The Review Tab:
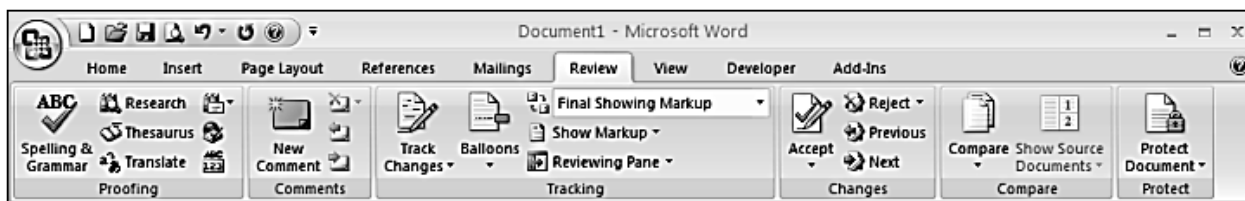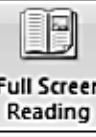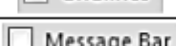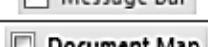
Icon	Description
Proofing	
Spelling & Grammar	Check the document for spelling and grammar errors
Research	Open research task pane (dictionary, encyclopedia, and translation service)
Thesaurus	Suggest words similar to the highlighted word
Translate	Translate the selected text to another language
	Enable the translation screen tip
	Set the language used by the spell check
	Word count
Comments	
New Comment	Create a new comment
	Delete comment(s)
	Navigate to the previous comment
	Navigate to the next comment
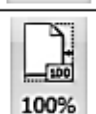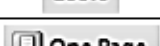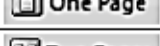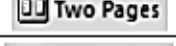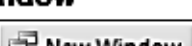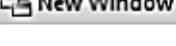
Icon	Description
Tracking	
Track Changes	Track all changes made to the document (the arrow gives you tracking options and user name change)
Balloons	Choose how to show revisions in the document
Final Showing Markup	Choose how to view the proposed changes to the document
Show Markup	Choose the kind of markup to show in the document
Reviewing Pane	Show revisions in a separate window (the arrow gives you pane options)

Changes		
	Accept	Accept the current change and move to the next proposed change (the arrow gives you acceptance options)
	Reject ▾	Reject the current change and move to the next proposed change (the arrow gives you rejection options)
	Previous	Navigate to the previous proposed change
	Next	Navigate to the next proposed change
Compare		
	Compare	Compare or combine multiple versions of a document
	Show Source Documents ▾	Choose which source document to show
Protect		
	Protect Document ▾	Restrict how people can access the document

The view Tab:
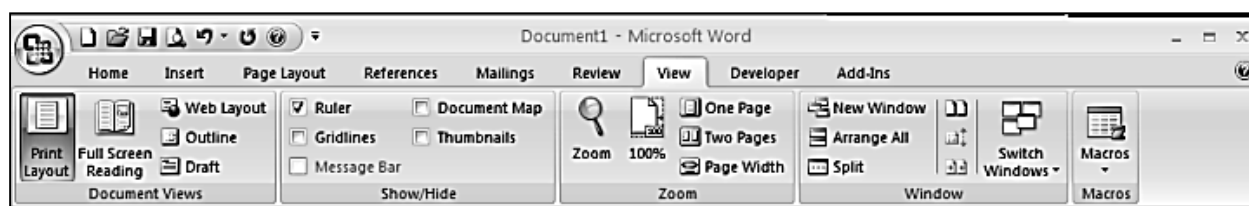
Icon	Description
Document Views	
Print Layout	View the document on the screen as it will appear on the printed page
Full Screen Reading	View the document full screen
Web Layout	View the document as it would appear as a web document
Outline	View the document as an outline
Draft	View the document as a draft to quickly edit text (headers and footers will not be available in this view)
Show/Hide	
Ruler	Check the box to show the ruler in the document
Gridlines	Check the box to show the gridlines in the document
Message Bar	Check the box to show the message bar in the document
Document Map	Check the box to show the document map in the document
Thumbnails	Check the box to show a thumbnail of each page for easy navigation

Zoom	
Zoom	Open the zoom dialog
100%	View the document at actual size
One Page	Zoom the document to fit one page in the window
Two Pages	Zoom the document to fit two pages in the window
Page Width	Zoom the document to fit the page width in the window
Window	
New Window	Open a new window with a view of the current document (allows you to view multiple views at once)
Arrange All	Tile all open windows side-by-side on the screen

SUMMARY

In this chapter, we have discussed about the overview of the Microsoft word. We have discussed about different menus.

Word processing is an application program that allows you to create letters, reports, newsletters, tables, form letters, brochures, and Web pages. Using this application program you can add pictures, tables, and charts to your documents. You can also check spelling and grammar.

Some of the main features of word processing applications discussed here are:

- Create professional documents fast, using built-in and custom templates
- Work on multiple documents simultaneously
- AutoCorrect and AutoFormat features catch typographical errors automatically and allow you to use predefined shortcuts and typing patterns to quickly format your documents.
- The nested tables feature supports putting one table inside another table.
- Batch mailings using form letter template and an address database (also called mail merging);
- Tables of contents with section titles and their page numbers;
- Cross-referencing with section or page numbers;
- New versions of a document using variables (e.g. model numbers, product names, etc.)

MS Word 2007 has useful features and tools introduced to produce professionally created documents. You can easily create, format, edit professional-looking user document using comprehensive set of easy to use tools provided by MS Word. It uses the MS Office Fluent user Interface concept. This interface uses a new component called Ribbon to group the tools by task, within task by sub tasks and related commands that are used more frequently. The new user result oriented interface presents the tools to you in a more organized and efficient manner, which are easy to locate.

1. Tabs are more task oriented such as Home, Insert, Page Layout
2. Within each tab, the related sub-tasks are grouped together
3. Related command buttons are also grouped together to execute a command or to display a command menu

We have also discussed about the buttons on the menus in tabular form with their symbol and description.

CHECK YOUR PROGRESS – ANSWERS

to 1.3   **a) Fill in the Blanks**

1. Shorthand

2. Microsoft Word

3. Contextual

& 1.5   **a) Fill in the Blanks**

1. Quick access

2. Protect

3. Help

QUESTIONS FOR SELF - STUDY

Answer the following:

1. Discuss the typical features of a word processor in detail.

2. Comment on the new features of the spelling checker in MS-Word 2007.

3. Enlist any five sub-tabs provided in the 'Home Tab' of MS-Word 2007.

4. Enlist any five sub-tabs provided in the 'Page Layout Tab' of MS-Word 2007.

Answer in one line:

1. Word processing is an application program that allows you to create?

2. The appearance of text, tables, and graphics can be changed by which MS-Word 2007 feature.

3. The Word screen contains a number of objects such as.

4. How can the help function in MS-Word 2007 be accessed?

SUGGESTED READINGS

1. Using Microsoft Office Home and Student 2007

2. 2007 Microsoft® Office System Plain & Simple Office 2007 Bible

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