

# Input methods menu

The menu appears next to any input field and allows users to select and switch among different input languages.

## Design goals

- Closer to where it is needed
- Design for repetitive use: facilitate quick enable/disable, and language switch (keeping user preferences)

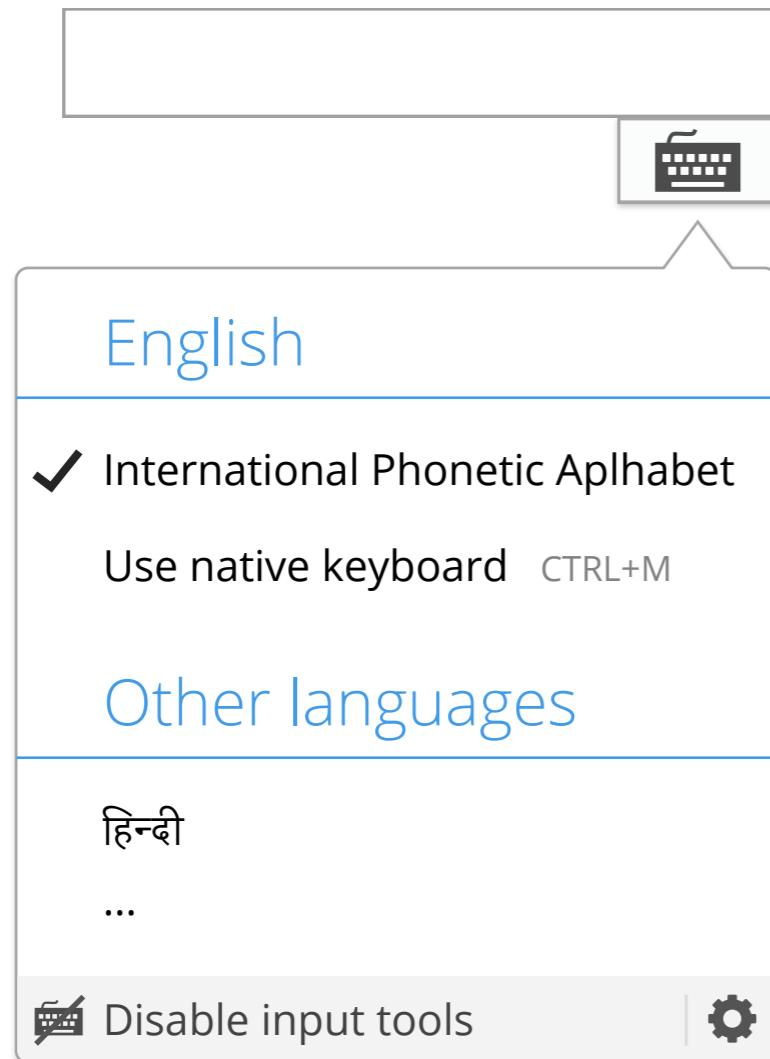
## Issues to solve

Users that do not need the tool want to be able to remove it quickly (now they need to go through "more options").

Need to differentiate between 2 types of disablement:

- Don't apply input methods
- Don't apply input methods + remove the keyboard icon

# Option A

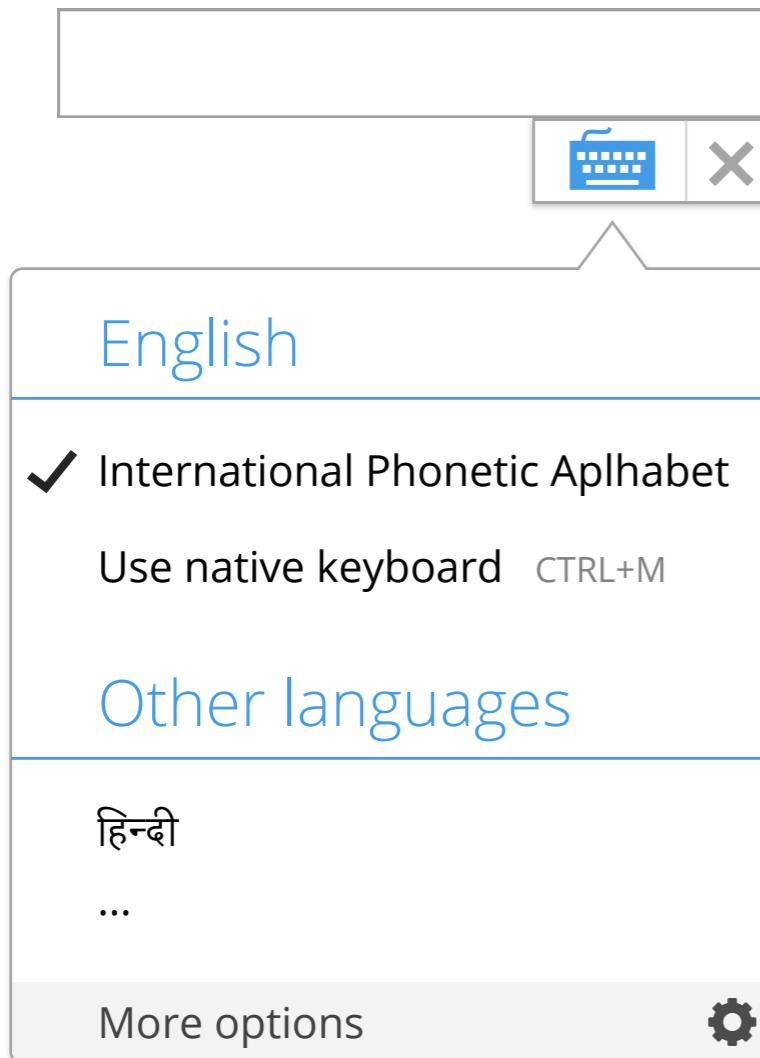


The keyboard removal appears at the configuration area (bottom of menu). Additional settings be still accessed but are less prominent.

The input method disabling is presented as "Ignore input method".

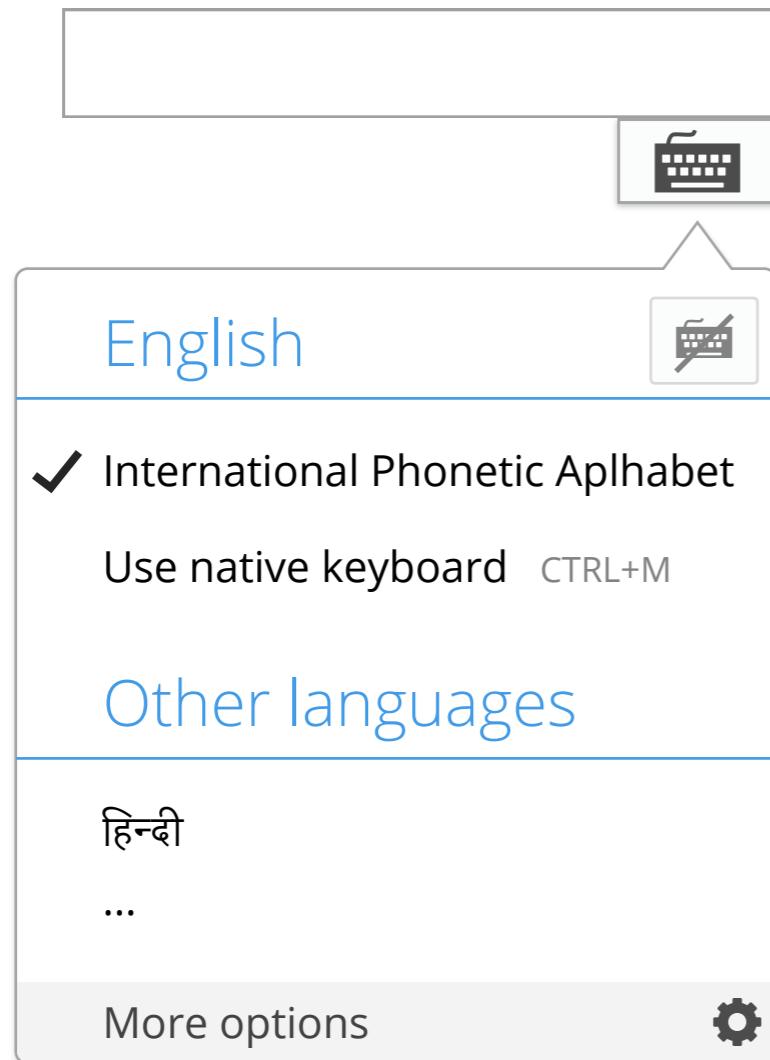
## Option B

The removal option is presented next to the keyboard icon itself when the user opens the menu.



It is not clear if removal can be misinterpreted as disabling.

# Option C

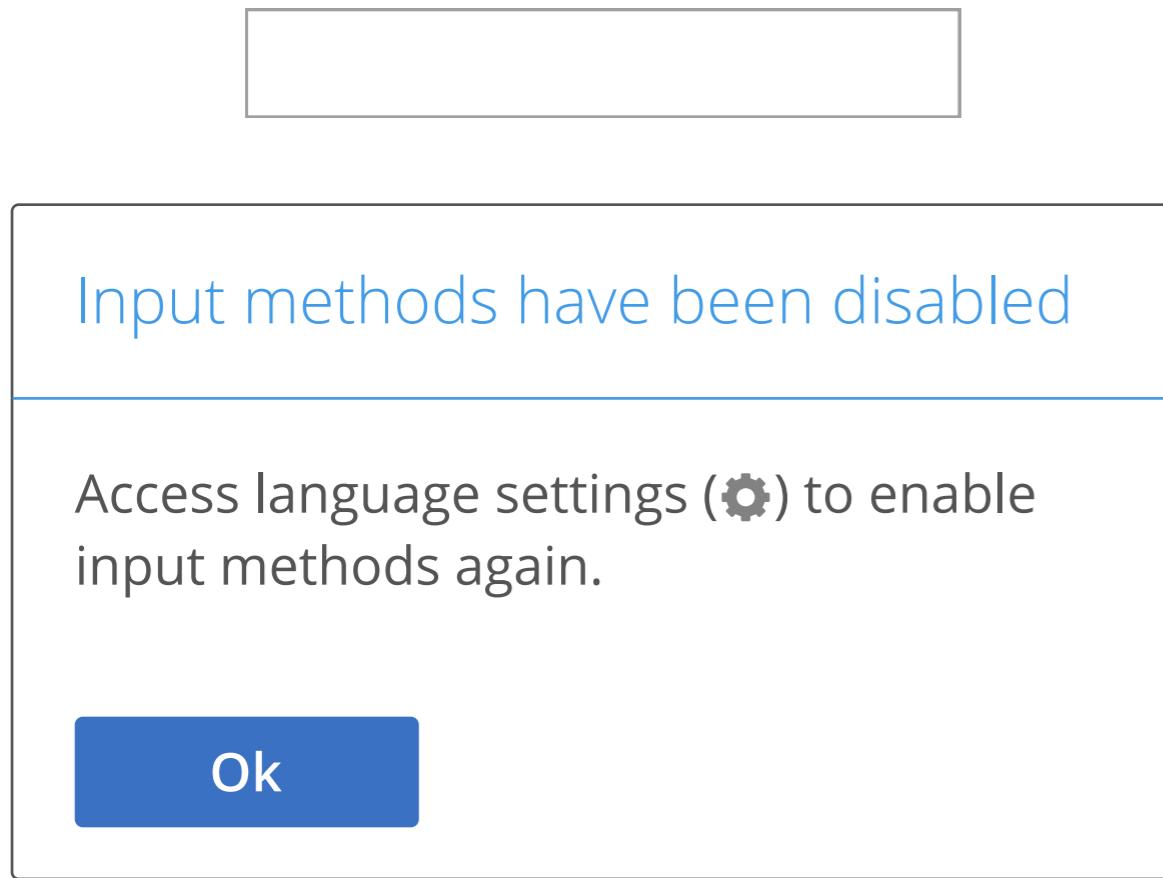


The removal option is presented at the top-right of the dialog. On hover, the icon turns red in order to better communicate the disablement action.



The fact that it is closer to the current input language label ("English" in the example) may make it seem related to this.

# The re-enablement problem



If we allow users to remove the keyboard menu from the keyboard menu itself, It becomes hard for them to re-enable it again (since there is no keyboard menu again).

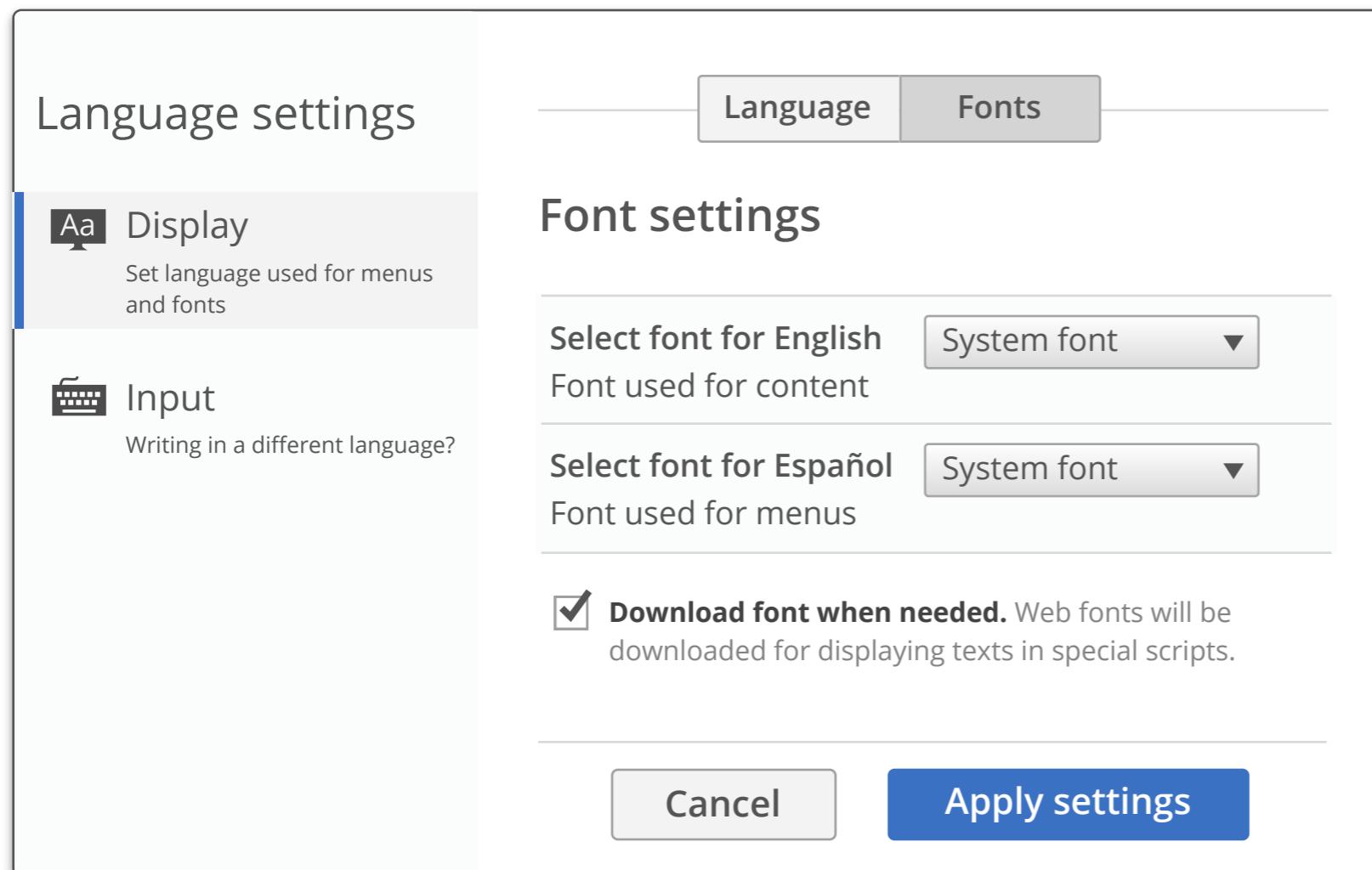
This is a problem that happens regardless of the design option chosen.

To alleviate this, the first time the keyboard is removed, a dialog can indicate how to re-enable it again.

# Font settings

Not all fonts needed to display all scripts are available in all computers. Web fonts allow users to read content for which they don't have installed fonts.

When multiple Open Source fonts are available, the user can set his preference. Users may want to disable web fonts completely.



# Option A

Make the containment relationship between checkbox and list of languages stronger. When unchecked, list of fonts is shown as disabled.

Language settings

Aa Display Set language used for menus and fonts

Input Writing in a different language?

Font settings

**Use web fonts.** Fonts will be downloaded for displaying texts in special scripts.

**Font for English** Font used for content System font ▾

**Font for Español** Font used for menus System font ▾

Cancel Apply settings

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# Option B

Present both options explicitly using radio buttons. language list appears only when "Download fonts" is selected.

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### Font settings

**Download fonts when needed.** Web fonts will be downloaded for displaying texts in special scripts.

Select font for English System font ▾  
Font used for content

Select font for Español System font ▾  
Font used for menus

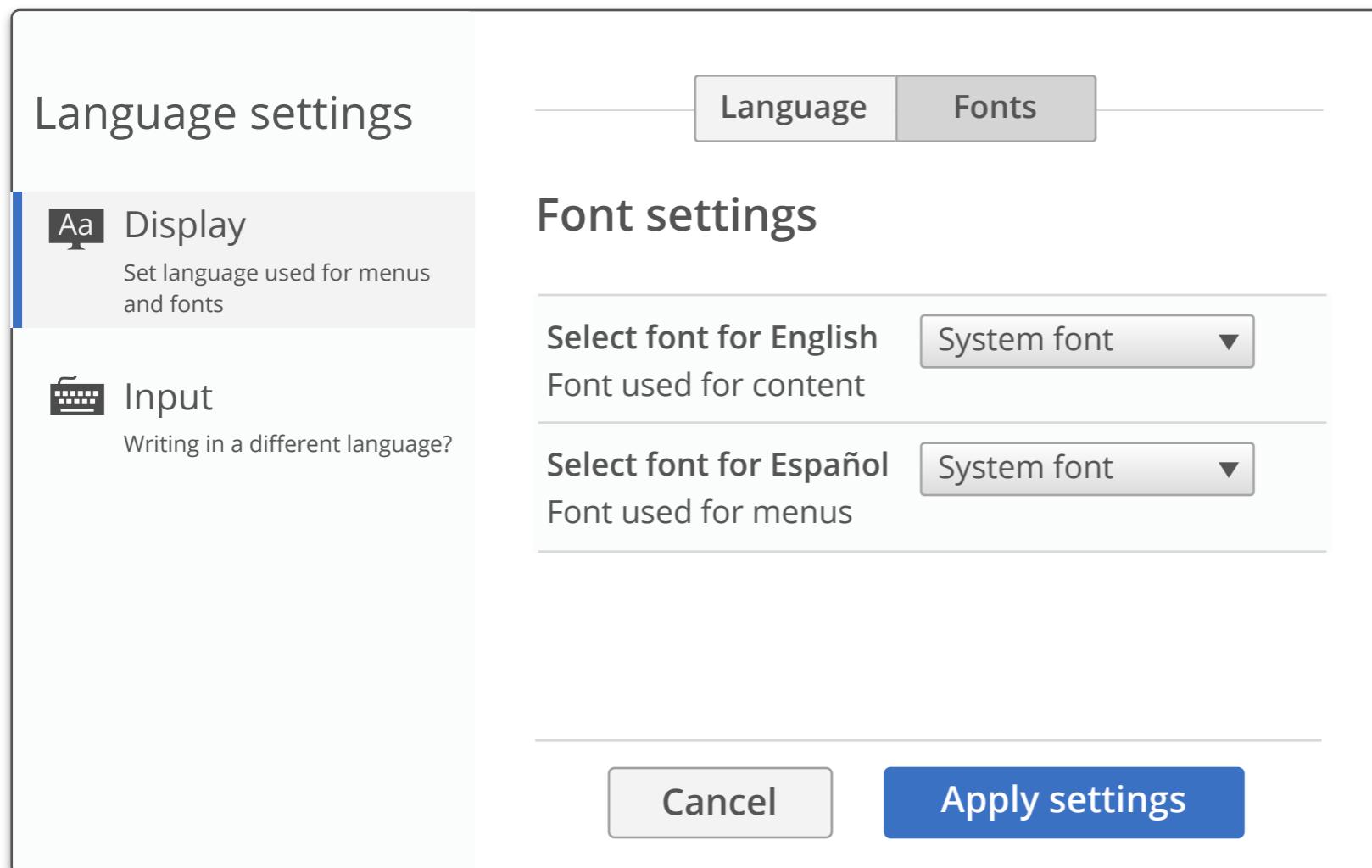
**Don't download fonts.** Use always your system fonts. Scripts with lacking fonts will not be displayed.

**Cancel** **Apply settings**

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- Download fonts when needed.** Web fonts will be downloaded for displaying texts in special scripts.
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# Option C

Remove the checkbox. Fonts for other languages will be downloaded and users will not be able to change this preference.



# Option D

Make the selection flat by asking what to do for other languages (use system fonts or download web fonts). This allows a combination not supported before (web fonts enabled for UI/content language but disabled for the rest)

