# 🧭 JMeter GUI Navigation

**🧰 Toolbar Overview (Top Row of Icons)**

| **Icon** | **Action** | **Why It's Useful** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| 📄 New | Create new Test Plan | Start fresh |
| 📂 Open | Load .jmx file | Reuse test plans |
| 💾 Save | Save Test Plan | Prevent loss |
| 💾🅰 Save As | Save under new name | Versioning |
| ✂️ Cut | Remove selected element | Move items |
| 📄📄 Copy | Duplicate content | Reuse logic |
| 📋 Paste | Insert copied items | Efficient editing |
| ➕📄 Duplicate | Clone element | Same config reuse |
| 🔄 Toggle | Enable/Disable nodes | Skip/Include tests |
| ↩️ Undo | Go back one step | Error recovery |
| ↪️ Redo | Reapply last undo | Quick retry |
| ▶️ Start | Run with timers | Normal load run |
| ⏩ Start No Pauses | Run without delays | Fast debug |
| ⏹ Stop | Force stop test | Emergency stop |
| ⏹↩ Shutdown | Graceful stop | Clean exit |
| 🧹 Clear | Clear listener data | Reset view |
| 🧹🧹 Clear All | Clear data + logs | Full reset |
| 🔍 Search | Find test element | Locate quickly |
| 🔍⬇ Search Next | Find next occurrence | Multi-find |
| ⚠️ Logger Toggle | Show/hide log panel | Debug help |

**🧭 Menu Bar Breakdown**

**📁 File Menu**

| **Option** | **Shortcut** | **Purpose** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| New | Ctrl+N | Fresh test |
| Open | Ctrl+O | Load .jmx |
| Save / Save As | Ctrl+S / Shift+S | Store work |
| Merge | — | Combine plans |
| Save Selection As... | — | Reuse fragments |
| Templates | — | Use prebuilt test types |
| Export as Image | — | Document visually |
| Generate HTML Report | — | Summarize performance |
| Exit | Ctrl+Q | Quit app |

**✏️ Edit Menu**

| **Option** | **Shortcut** | **Purpose** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Add | Alt+Shift+A | Add elements |
| Remove | Ctrl+Del | Delete node |
| Cut / Copy / Paste | Ctrl+X/C/V | Rearranging |
| Duplicate | Ctrl+E | Clone elements |
| Enable / Disable | Ctrl+T / D | Active/inactive nodes |
| Undo / Redo | Ctrl+Z / Y | Change reversal |

**🔎 Search Menu**

| **Option** | **Shortcut** | **Use** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Search | Ctrl+F | Find text |
| Replace | Ctrl+H | Find/replace |
| Search Next | F3 | Jump to next match |
| Go To | Ctrl+G | Jump to element |

**▶️ Run Menu**

| **Action** | **Shortcut** | **Use** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Start / No Pauses | Ctrl+R / Shift+R | Execute with/without delays |
| Stop / Shutdown | Ctrl+. / Ctrl+, | Emergency or graceful stop |
| Remote Start / Stop / Shutdown | — | Distributed testing |
| Clear / Clear All | Ctrl+E / Shift+E | Reset test data |

**⚙ Options Menu**

| **Tool** | **Shortcut** | **What It Does** |
| --- | --- | --- |
| Function Helper Dialog | Ctrl+Shift+F | Help with JMeter functions |
| SSL Manager | — | Client certificates |
| Language, Look and Feel | — | UI personalization |
| Zoom In / Out | — | For large screens |
| Collapse / Expand All | — | Tree management |
| Logger Visibility & Level | — | Debug/log control |

**❓ Help Menu**

| **Option** | **Use** |
| --- | --- |
| JMeter Manual | Full user guide |
| Website | Apache JMeter home |
| Release Notes | What's new |
| Check for Updates | Get latest version |
| About | Version info |

**✅ Tips for Usage**

* ✅ Use **Start No Pauses** for debugging logic.
* ✅ Always **Clear Listeners** before re-running tests.
* ⚠ Avoid using **GUI for actual load tests** — always prefer **CLI mode** for large runs.
* 🔍 Use **Search** to navigate big test plans faster.