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Introduction

Letters to Santa is a simple program designed to allow children to write a brief letter to Santa.

The program is designed for use by very small children. As a result, the children may not be well versed in writing letters. But all children are expert artists! Many of our letters provide a place for children to draw a picture. So even though the program has provided a sample letter, the child is an active participant in the letter writing process with their signature (or handprint) and picture.

Children who have younger siblings may want to write letters to Santa for them. The letters include ones that an older child can use to "help" their younger sibling.

A list of toys is provided as a separate document. Parents may wish to change the list prior to allowing their child to see it. If you have strong views as to what should or should not be on the list, please edit the lists.

Main controls

The main menu appears as follows:

{ewc D2HTLS32, D2H_256Color, help0001.bmp}

Main menu

The most important controls are the navigator:

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Navigator

And word pad. Word pad is accessed when you place the cursor in the letter and click F2 (function key 2):

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Word Pad

The navigator allows you to move from letter to letter. The controls perform as follows, from left to right:

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Navigator

First letter

Prior letter

Next letter

Last letter

Add a new letter

Delete a letter

Edit a letter

Save changes to a letter

Cancel changes

Refresh

FAQ

Frequently asked questions.

1. How do I add a new letter? Click on the plus sign in the navigator. This will provide a new screen. You may then (or your child may then) type, and use Word Pad
2. What is Word Pad? Word Pad is an editor provided by Microsoft Windows operating system. Word Pad is a simple and effective word processor. Letters to Santa uses a Word Pad style display for the letters, which is activated by clicking F2.
3. Can I save the letters outside the program? Yes you can.

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Save

The illustration shows that the Word Pad program has a Save As.

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Saving a file

Select either text (no formatting such as bold) or rtf. You may select the folder and name of the letter that you are saving.

4. Can a letter be completed in another word processor? Yes. You can do so by exporting it as shown above, and then opening the letter in your favorite word processor. Virtually all Windows compatible word processors can read text or rich text formatted documents.
5. Where can I get further help on using Word Pad? The Microsoft Windows help system contains complete help on Word Pad.

General Information

For customer service, warranty and licensing information please see the main program help.

