

Trouble

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Chapter 1

Trouble

1.1 Troubleshooting

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This section will help you find a solution to a problem so that you can solve it yourself.

This topic is divided into several sections, if you cannot find what you want in a specific section, look in General.

- General
- Editing & Formatting
- Fonts
- Printing

If a solution to your problem does not appear in any section, then contact Technical Support .

1.2 General Problems

General Problems

Problem 1

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Problem 2

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Problem 3

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Problem 4

When I draw a circle on screen, it appears as an oval.

Problem 5

I have drawn a square in DPaint and placed it in my document, but it appears as a rectangle.

Problem 6

Do I have to be in a 256 colour screen mode to see and print my 256 colour picture which has been placed in a Wordworth document?

Problem 7

Is there any way to reduce the disk swapping when running Wordworth from a floppy disk based system.

Problem 8

I have formatted my document into facing pages but I can only see one page at a time on screen.

Problem 9

I have created a 'Double Page Spread' document and I am viewing it in a 'Two Pages Across' view mode, but I cannot see my page.

Problem 10

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Problem 11

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1.3 General Problem 1

After I quit Wordworth, the amount of memory available seems to have decreased.

When Wordworth quits, it returns as much of the memory to the system as it can.

However, Wordworth uses many system libraries which are kept in memory until such a time as more memory is needed, they are then flushed out.

You can flush out the libraries manually by opening up a Shell window (Workbench System drawer) and typing 'avail flush'.

1.4 General Problem 2

I have a 2MB Amiga 1200 with a hard disk, and Wordworth will not let me Open, Save or Print my documents properly.

Unfortunately, as soon as a hard disk is installed into your machine, about 500Kb of memory disappears. This is used by the disk caches, system variables and the hard disk itself.

Because 500Kb of memory has gone as soon as the machine has been turned on, you are left with only 1.5Mb of memory to run Wordworth. Unfortunately, Wordworth requires 2Mb of free memory to run effectively.

The problems you are experiencing seem to be due to this lack of memory and the only real solution would be to buy a RAM expansion to go in the trap door under your machine.

If you are going to buy any more memory, we suggest you purchase 32BIT Fast Ram as this will make your machine about 3-4 times quicker in overall speed.

1.5 General Problem 3

When I try and Save my document to floppy disk, I get the message 'Ww5SEOutlines disk full'. I am running from floppy disks.

By default, Wordworth saves all documents to a drawer called Documents on the Ww5SEOutlines disk.

If this message appears, the disk has been filled

up with your documents and there is no space left to save another.

You will therefore need to create a separate disk which can be used for any further documents.

Please refer to the sections:

Creating A Separate Document Disk and
Saving Your Document Onto A Separate Floppy Disk
for information on how to do this.

1.6 General Problem 4

When I draw a circle on screen, it appears as an oval.

With a normal 'PAL High Res' screen mode (a mode used by TV's and less expensive monitors) the screen height is half that of the screen width.

This means that the pixels used to make up a screen display are elongated vertically. Graphics drawn in this mode will therefore appear 'stretched' on screen, but will printout as you expect.

The Circle drawing tool is provided so that you can achieve a perfect circle for printing, even with a less effective screen mode.

The addition of a good quality MultiScan monitor would eliminate these problems, as alternative screen modes would be available that have the same number of pixels in the height and width.

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1.8 General Problem 6

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No. When Wordworth prints graphics, it prints using the original graphic size and number of colours.

This therefore means that you can use any screen mode, with any number of colours and you will always get a perfect printout of the graphic.

NOTE: This is different to previous versions of Wordworth, as they printed graphics using the size and colours used on screen.

If you wish to see the graphic in its full glory on screen, you will need to increase the number of colours available from the "Screen Settings" requester ("Change Settings" command, Settings menu). But doing this will greatly decrease your Amiga's operation speed.

1.9 General Problem 7

Is there any way to reduce the disk swapping when running Wordworth from a floppy disk based system.

Yes buy a hard disk. Hard disks are mass storage devices which can be placed inside your machine and can store from 20 Mb to 1 Gb (1000 Mb). Compared to your floppy disk which can only hold around 800 Kb, this is a lot of information.

Hard disks are relatively cheap now and can be installed easily. If you do decide to buy a hard disk, ensure you purchase and have it installed by an authorised Commodore dealer.

Alternatively, you could purchase an extra floppy disk drive and you should encounter much less disk swaps.

1.10 General Problem 8

I have formatted my document into facing pages but I can only see one page at a time on screen.

You will need to choose the Zoom-Other command (View menu) and select 'Two Pages Across' to see your document in a facing pages view.

1.11 General Problem 9

I have created a 'Double Page Spread' document and I am viewing it in a 'Two Pages Across' view mode, but I cannot see my page.

'Double Page Spread' documents, like 'Facing Page' documents, always start on a right hand or odd page.

This means that you will have to move the horizontal slider to the right to see the first page. All subsequent pages will be left then right, and so on.

1.12 General Problem 10

Why can't I use documents created in Wordworth 5SE with my friend's earlier version, 3.0b.

If you wish to save a document so that it can be used on earlier versions of Wordworth 3, then choose "Save As" (Project menu) and select the 'Wordworth 3.0' format from the list.

A separate format is used because from version 3.1 of Wordworth, a new fast loading file format is used and it is therefore incompatible with earlier versions.

1.13 General Problem 11

The mouse-pointer freezes and I am unable to continue using Wordworth whenever I click on one of the popup gadgets.

This may be because of a Public Domain program called 'Sleeping Pointers' (or a similar program), which changes the normal busy pointer into an animated hour-glass. Programs that interfere with the operating system and do things they shouldn't do can cause problems for programs like Wordworth.

If you remove this program from your system, you should find this cures the problem.

1.14 Editing And Formatting Problems

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Problem 1

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Problem 2

When I move my cursor to the header or footer and type some letters, the screen flashes and nothing appears.

Problem 3

I am using Wordworth 5SE on floppy disks, on my Amiga 2000, and the characters seem to take ages to appear on screen after pressing the keys.

Problem 4

I have highlighted some text and wish to 'Drag and Drop' it to a different paragraph. But when I click on the selected block, the text is deselected.

1.15 Editing And Formatting Problem 1

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You seem to be in 'Overtyping' mode. Press the '0' key on the numeric keypad so that the word Overtyping disappears from the Status Bar.

1.16 Editing And Formatting Problem 2

When I move my cursor to the header or footer and type some letters, the screen flashes and nothing appears.

There is not enough room in the header or footer for any characters.

Ensure that the Header and Footer Margins ("Document Options" requester, Format menu) plus the height of your characters, is less than the Top or Bottom Margin (Document command, Format menu).

For example:

If you are using 14pt text (0.2 inches in height) and your Header margin is 0.2 inches. Your Top margin should be at least 0.5 inches.

1.17 Editing And Formatting Problem 3

I am using Wordworth 5SE on floppy disks, on my Amiga 2000, and the characters seem to take ages to appear on screen after pressing the keys.

Unfortunately, this is a drawback with floppy disks.

When a character is typed, the letter is read in from the disk and 'cached' (stored in memory). This process will occur for each character typed.

However, once a letter has been cached and the key is pressed again, it will appear on screen almost instantly because it does not have to access the disk.

1.18 Editing And Formatting Problem 4

I have highlighted some text and wish to 'Drag and Drop' it to a different paragraph. But when I click on the selected block, the text is deselected.

This could be for two reasons:

~\textdegree{} Firstly, the 'Drag and Drop' facility has probably not been turned On from the "Text Settings" requester (Change Settings" command, Settings menu).

\textdegree{} Secondly, the double-click delay in the Workbench Input preferences is set too long. Lower the delay value to eliminate the problem.

1.19 Font Problems

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1.20 Font Problem 1

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Read `Installing Additional Fonts` for information on how this can be done.

1.21 Font Problem 2

I can't seem to delete a font that I have installed for use with Wordworth 5SE.

You will need to follow this procedure:

\textdegree{} Firstly, delete the font file from its appropriate drawer (on hard-disk this will normally be in the Intellifont drawer, which is in Wordworth's WwFonts drawer).

\textdegree{} Double-click 'InstallFonts', WwTools drawer (floppy disk users will find this drawer on the Ww5SESystem disk).

\textdegree{} When asked if you want to add to the old fontlist or overwrite it, click the 'Overwrite' button, then click 'Install' when asked to select the fonts drawer.

1.22 Printing Problems

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Problem 1

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Problem 2

When I print my document, there are blank spaces between the top and bottom half of the text.

Problem 3

When I print my document, a blank sheet of paper is fed through after each page is printed.

Problem 4

I have just printed out a document that I created in Wordworth 3.0b and a blank page was ejected after each page. I am using the same "Print Borders" as Wordworth v2 and v3.0b.

1.23 Printing Problem 1

When I print my document, some elements of my page are missing. Such as a couple of letters from the heading, or the TextEffects object I have as a logo.

The most common cause of this problem is due to lack of memory.

To print a very smooth quality printout requires a lot of memory because all of the text and graphics on screen are scaled up about five times larger.

You can increase the amount of memory available to the system for printing by doing the following things:

\textdegree{} Choose the "Workbench-Close Workbench" command (Settings menu) to close the Workbench screen, this will save about 40K of memory.

\textdegree{} Choose the "Change Settings" command (Settings

menu) and select 'Screen'. Click the 'Screen Mode' button, and reduce the number of colours to 4.

\textdegree{} Have only one document open at a time.

\textdegree{} The amount of memory needed for the print job can be decreased by lowering the Density level ("Print Setup", Project menu). This will cause the printout to be printed in a lower quality, but will use less memory.

1.24 Printing Problem 2

When I print my document, there are blank spaces between the top and bottom half of the text.

Your printing problems seem to be due to the printer automatically sending a line feed, after the computer has already told the printer to move on a line. This combination will cause large gaps in your printout.

On most printers there is a facility called 'DIP Switches' which are used to set up the printer. Some newer printers have a LCD screen and menu system for the same thing.

There is usually a DIP Switch or menu item for 'Automatic Line Feed', 'CR causes Line Feed', 'Send CR/LF' or something similar. These options are used to tell the printer what to do at the end of each line.

You must set this option to OFF or 'LF Only', to stop the printer sending another line feed and thus eliminate a blank space between two strips of printing.

1.25 Printing Problem 3

When I print my document, a blank sheet of paper is fed through after each page is printed.

Because printers have what is termed an 'Unprintable area', you must inform Wordworth that it shouldn't print on certain parts of the page.

This can be done by entering values into the "Print Border" text gadgets ("Print Setup",

Project menu).

If you already have values in the text gadgets, increase the Bottom-"Print Border" until the problem goes away. If there are no values in the text gadgets, try the following values:

Top - 0.25 in
Bottom - 0.75 in
Left - 0.25 in
Right - 0.25 in

1.26 Printing Problem 4

I have just printed out a document that I created in Wordworth 3.0b and a blank page was ejected after each page. I am using the same "Print Borders" as Wordworth v2 and v3.0b.

This is due to an improvement in the printing technology. On some printers, the "Print Borders" may have to be changed to eliminate these blank pages being ejected.