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What is URL Grabber?

URL Grabber is a small floating tool bar that resides on your MS Windows desktop.

It enables you to easily 'grab' and store URLs from news groups, Email messages and other sources, as you are reading them.

With a 'click' of a mouse, *URL Grabber* will automatically convert your collection of URLs to active WWW links on an HTML page.

With another mouse click, *URL Grabber* will bring up your favorite browser displaying your collected links so you can view Web pages, download files and otherwise obtain information from the WWW almost instantly.

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If you are using the demo version of *URL Grabber*, you can obtain a full working version, without the reminder messages and limitations, by contacting Brooklyn North Software Works.

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To Use URL Grabber

First, select or create a file for storing your collected URLs. To do this, simply click the "File..." button on the tool bar and use the file select dialog to select an existing file or enter a file name.

Then, while you are perusing news groups, Online publications, Email, or any other text source that permits copying to the Windows clipboard, simply select a URL by dragging across it with the mouse.

Use your application's "Copy" (or equivalent) function to copy the selected URL to the clipboard.

Next, click URL Grabber's "Paste" button.

A small dialog box, displaying the selected URL, will appear. You can edit the URL if necessary.

Optionally, you can add a comment or description which will appear as the "Clickable" text when a browser page is created.

If you want to save time and choose not to enter a comment, *URL Grabber* will use the URL as the 'clickable' text.

When you are finished with the dialog box, simply press the <Enter> key, or click the "OK" button. If you change your mind, and don't want to keep the URL, click the "Cancel" button or press the <Esc> key.

The URLs are stored in "HTML Assistant URL File" format. That is, as a text file with each URL/Comment pair on a single line, separated by a comma. You can view and edit the URL file at any time by clicking the "View" button.

The file is automatically updated after any entries or changes are made.

There is a file size limitation of just under 32K. That is, for *URL Grabber* to successfully create a browser page, the resulting HTML file must be less than 32K long. This means that the maximum size of your URL file shouldn't be more than 29 or 30K. You can usually store more than 300 URLs in each file.

To Automatically Create a Browser Page

After collecting one or more URLs, you can at any time have *URL Grabber* automatically create a browser page by clicking the "Create..." button.

You may enter a title, a main heading and a subheading for your page if you wish. You can add horizontal lines as separators, choose a numbered or unnumbered (bulleted) list, and elect to add extra spacing between lines.

When you are ready, click the button with the lightning bolt on it (chosen after the symbol of the wizard, "Shazam", in the old Captain Marvel comics), and *URL Grabber* will create your HTML page, display it, permit you to edit it, and to save it.

To View Your Page with Your Browser

After it is has been saved, you can view your new HTML page with your favorite browser by clicking the "Open Browser" button on the Page Creator dialog. If you haven't already told *URL Grabber* where to find your browser, a dialog will open which will permit you to provide this information.

Remember to CLOSE your browser after viewing.

Because URL Grabber passes the name of your HTML file to the browser on the command line, it must reopen the browser each time you want to display a modified page. If the browser is already open when you click the "Open Browser" button, you will see an error message.

You can change browsers at any time by clicking the "Choose browser..." button.

That's all there is to it!

What is HTML Assistant Pro?

HTML Assistant Pro, another Brooklyn North Software Works product, is a text editor with extensions to assist in the creation of HTML hypertext documents.

HTML documents are used to access a variety of information sources with a World Wide Web browser. HTML Assistant Pro is more than an editor. It helps you collect and organize the information you find on the Internet.

HTML Assistant Pro's features include:

A printed manual with a "Beginners Guide to HTML" plus a step-by-step tutorial to lead you through the creation of your first HTML page.

Point and click creation of HTML Hypertext markings

Capability to test your work with a WWW browser at the click of a button -- without leaving the editor

A user defined toolbox which permits you to take advantage of new HTML features as soon as they become available

An Automatic Page Creator, a wizard-like feature which permits rapid creation of HTML text pages for use with WWW browser programs. *PC Computing* magazine called this feature "a superb idea" and concluded that it "makes even the most complex HTML page creation nearly effortless."

A multiple document interface (more than one file may be opened at one time)

A filter to remove HTML markings from text. Additional filters can reformat text paragraphs for improved readability.

Ability to load files that are longer than 32K. Large (> than 32K) files will be loaded in segments. The segment size can be set by the user.

File search features - you can search for and load files containing key words which you select.

An option to extract (without altering the original file) all the link URLs from an HTML text file and display them in a text edit window. Files can be of ANY size. The URLs are displayed in "HTML Assistant" format: URLtext, Clickabletext. The displayed URL text can be edited and saved in "HTML Assistant URL File" format.

An option to make UNIX text files more readable by converting them to DOS text

An option to save DOS text files as UNIX text

Automatic conversion of Cello Bookmark, Mosaic '.INI' and URL text files to hypertext documents

Support for the ISO-Latin character set - can automatically convert ISO ASCII codes in text files to displayable HTML

Full support, including availability of enhancements and upgrades

HTML Assistant Pro - Automatic Page Creator

In a recent review of HTML editing software, *PC Computing* magazine told its readers that the Automatic Page Creator supplied with *HTML Assistant Pro* is "a superb idea" that "makes even the most complex HTML page creation nearly effortless."

The Automatic Page Creator permits very rapid creation of HTML text pages for use with WWW browser programs. Minimal knowledge of HTML is required, and an attractive screen with your own selected hypertext links can be created in a matter of seconds.

For WWW information providers, this makes it quite easy to create pages for others to view.

For active collectors of information on the World Wide Web, the Automatic Page Creator (as well as *HTML Assistant Pro*'s other features) makes it easy to organize links to information in ways that make sense. You can quickly select links from different pages and files and combine them into a single page with headings and descriptions of your choice.

Be Your Own Internet Organizer

The Automatic Page Creator makes it a snap to organize your Internet experience. It becomes a simple matter to create hierarchies of menu pages which access other pages stored on your local disk drive. All of these can be annotated with text of your choice.

The Automatic Page Creator allows you to very quickly put together presentation pages on any topic. Together with the URL File Editor/Builder, you can organize links to WWW data by subject, date or in any other way that suits you.

With *HTML* Assistant *Pro* you can easily build attractive and pleasing layouts that incorporate headers, divider lines, text and links to other pages and graphics on your own hard drive or at remote sites.

HTML Assistant Pro makes keeping track of your work on the Internet not only manageable, but an enjoyable and esthetically pleasing experience.

What Others Say

A few comments from major PC publications

Concerning HTML editors, the prize-winning author of a *PC World* article about the Internet, called *HTML Assistant Pro* "my favorite."

In a recent review of HTML editing software, the author of several best selling books about the Internet and the World Wide Web, writing in *PC Computing* magazine, said: "If you are looking for the easiest route to Web publishing, *HTML Assistant* is your best choice thanks to its easy-to-use formatting and linking features....HTML Assistant is a pleasure to use."

An article in *PC Week*, discussing available HTML editors for MS Windows, stated that "*HTML Assistant* is arguably the best of this group, and provides easy-to-use tool bars and user-configurable options for creating documents."

How to Order HTML Assistant Pro

HTML Assistant Pro may be ordered via Email, mail, telephone or FAX. The fastest way to order is by FAX, telephone or Email with a credit card.

Payment may be made by money order, check, VISA or Master Card.

Arrangements can be made to accept purchase orders from schools, established firms, government and other organizations.

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Special educational discounts are available for site licenses at schools.

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Equipment requirements, diskettes, etc.

HTML Assistant Pro requires an 80386 (or better) IBM PC or compatible computer with at least 4 megabytes of RAM, Microsoft Windows 3.1 (or later) and less than 1 MB of hard disk drive space.

Unless otherwise specified, the software will be sent on a 3.5 inch high-density diskette. If you require other media please let us know.