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# **Word Processing**

This chapter covers the following;

- word processing
- benefits of a word processing software
- creating a document
- formatting of document
- adding clip arts and charts to a document
- opening and closing files
- mail merge
- printing a document
- shortcut keys

## 6.1 Word Processing

Your school principal has informed you that this year's Art Festival is going to be celebrated. The assigned task of your team is preparing necessary documents for the arts festival.

Accordingly you have to

- Design invitations
- Prepare letters to the parents
- Design certificates



These documents should be well prepared and printed. After drafting the above documents, you now want to find out the best method of document preparation.

"We will prepare hand written invitations", was one of the suggestions.

"Good idea, but it's difficult to write in a similar size and a similar way. So we'll use the type writer in the library", was another suggestion.

"We should find attractive types of letters and add pictures. A border will give a good finish. A typewriter won't provide such facilities, will it?" Everybody is confused. You need to find a solution for this problem.

We often use different types of documents in our day-to-day activities and preparing these documents in different styles is called word processing. In order to avoid the shortcomings of preparation of pen or pencil in based documents, typewrites were used in the early days. Even though such typed documents were better than the hand written documents, manual typewriters do not allow functions such as formatting, saving, printing in required sizes.

The computer is the best machine for such an activity. A word processing software can provide the following facilities;

- Creation and editing
- Insert objects such as images
- Saving and retrieving
- Print preview and printing
- Spell checking and grammar
- Find and replace
- Mail merge

## 6.1.1 Word Processing Software

Several popular word processing software are available. Some need to be purchased and some are Free and Open Source Software (FOSS).

Given below are some of the word processing softwares. You can find more information about those softwares from their websites.

Name of the software	Producer
AbiWord	Source Gear Corporation
FrameMaker	Adobe Systems Incorporated
iWork Pages	Apple
Kingsoft Office Writer	King soft
Libre Office Writer	The Document Foundation (Open
	Source)
LyX	The LyX Project
Microsoft Office Word	Microsoft Corporation
Open Office Writer	Apache Software foundation
	(Open Source Software)
Word Perfect	Corel

The user can create documents using internet as well if the computer does not have a Word Processing software. For this the user can use cloud computing. There are many advantages of using cloud computing such as;

- The user does not have to install a word processing software on the computer
- The user does not have to allocate space to install software in the hard disk
- To save the document, internet itself provides facilities for space.
- The user can open or edit the document from any computer which has internet facility

Example - Google Docs, Office 365 Word, Microsoft OneDrive Word

In addition, smart phones and tablet PC's are used for Word Processing today and word processing software is available for this purpose.

Eg: Documents To Go, Google Docs, Kingsoft Office, Polaris Office etc.

Now we will learn how to use a word processing software to prepare documents.

This chapter explains two word processing software which are commonly used today. Further, some topics and tools which are common to other software are also discussed.

# 6.1.2 Running a Word Processing Software

These lessons are presented based on Microsoft.

## Microsoft Office Word 2010

Start  $\rightarrow$  All Programs  $\rightarrow$  Microsoft Office  $\rightarrow$  Microsoft Office Word 2010 (This could be different depending on the operating System)

The graphical user interface of a Microsoft Word 2010 software is shown in figure 6.1



1. **Title Bar** - (Figure 6.2) The top most bar on a Microsoft Office 2010 window is the Title Bar. The name of the opened document will appear here. A new document is shown as Document X and 'X' is the document number. Window Minimize button, Minimize/Restore button and the Close buttons are located in the top right hand side.

Document1 [Compatibility Mode] - Microsoft Word non-commercial use

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Ribbon – Ribbon is a special feature of Word 2010 windows. Features of this (File, Home, Insert etc) are called Tabs. The special feature of the ribbon is that the items are shown as Icons, so their functions are clear. Facilities are there for the users to adjust these tabs according to their wishes. Moreover, ribbon is divided into several classes. (Clipboard, Font, Paragraph, Styles, Editing, etc.)



3. **Quick Access Tool Bar** (Figure 6.4) - This is always placed above the Ribbon and can be placed below the Ribbon. Quick Access Tool Bar contains quick commands such as opening a new document, saving or opening a document, Zooming, Undo, Redo, etc and this can be adjusted according to the user's requirements.



Figure 6.4 - Quick Access Tool Bar

4. **Dialogue Box launcher** Figure 6.5 - Dialogue Box launcher shows additional tools. Dialogue boxes can be opened by clicking the arrow at the right hand side of the group name. Apart from the tools which appear in the Ribbon, Dialogue boxes provide several other useful tools in document preparation.



5. **Status Bar** (Figure 6.6) - This is at left bottom of Microsoft Word window. This shows the number of pages and words of the document, language used, view buttons, etc. Further, status bar can be used to add slight changes to the document.

Page: 5 of 30 Words: 7,059 🕉 English (United States)

- 6. Scroll Bar used to go up and down of the document.
- 7. **Zoom** (Figure 6.7) Zoom can adjust the size of the pictures on the screen. This does not affect the original document and zooming is performed as per the wish of the user. Zooming is used to check the quality of the document while editing.





To learn the tools which are not explained here, position the mouse pointer on tool to see the Tool Tip.

## LibreOffice Writer 4.1

Start  $\rightarrow$  All Programs  $\rightarrow$  LibreOffice Writer (This could be different depending on the operating system.)

Figure 6.8 shows the graphical user interface of LibreOffice Writer software.



1. **Title Bar** (Figure 6.9) - This is top most bar of Libre Office Writer window. This shows the name of the opened document. A new document is shown as Untitled X and 'X' is the document number.



2. **Menu Bar -** This is positioned below the Title Bar. The features available here are respectively File, Edit, View, Insert, Format, Tables, Tools, Window, and Help. When one function is selected, the relevant submenu for that will be opened and the available features of the submenu can be selected as per your wish.

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 Edit
 View
 Insert
 Format
 Table
 Tools
 Window
 Help

 Figure 6.11 – Menu Bar

If 'File' menu is selected, the submenu will show options such as opening a new document, opening or saving a document, closing a document, etc.

- By opening '...' of the submenu, dialogue boxes can be selected. Figure 6.11
- By using right hand side arrows of the submenu, another submenu can be opened. Figure 6.11

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Figure 6.11 - Submenu

**Tool bars -** The bars positioned below Menu Bar of LibreOffice Writer window are tool bars. The Standard Tool Bar and Formatting Tool Bar will appear when the Writer window is opened and the opening or closing of the other tool bars can be done as per user requirements. For this, open 'View' menu, and then 'Toolbars' of submenu. The user can close the toolbars appear on the submenu.

3. **Standard Tool Bar** (Figure 6.12) – This contains commands in the form of Icons.



4. **Formatting Tool Bar** (Figure 6.13) - This contains a several letter formatting methods which can be used in documents. The commands appear in the form of Icons.



- 5. **Status Bar** This is positioned at the left bottom of the Writer window and displayed the number of pages, words, the language used, zooming, etc.
- 6. Scroll Button and Scroll Bar used to go up and down of the document.

7. **Zoom -** This allows to change the scale of the pictures that is displayed on the screen. Zoom does not affect the physical document and the scales can be adjusted by the user. Zooming is also used in editing to check the finishing quality of the document.

To learn the tools which are not explained here, position the mouse pointer on the tool see the Tool Tip.

# 6.2 Let us discuss some important things in preparing a new document.



#### Step 4





# 6.3.2 Formatting

Formatting can be performed after or before typing a letter or document. This adds clarity and attractiveness to the document.

# 6.3.3 Methods of Selection

A document contains different features such as letters, words, shapes, images, tables, etc. User may make changes to these. User have to select the item before modification. Following are some of the methods.

A letter or letters	Drag the Mouse across the letter(s)			
A word	Double click the mouse on that word			
A few words	Select the first word you need to change, keep the mouse pointer there and drag till the last word			
A sentence	Click on the first word of the sentence and drag till the last word			
A row	Drag the mouse till you see a right arrow which is white. Click it once.			
A paragraph	<ul> <li>Click the mouse thrice on the paragraph</li> <li>Or click the first word of the paragraph and drag till the last word</li> </ul>			
A document	<ul> <li>Press Ctrl + A on the key board</li> <li>Drag the mouse pointer till you see a right arrow which is white. Then click it thrice</li> </ul>			

# 6.3.4 Text Formatting

User is able to perform the following;

- 1. Change Font Size.
- 2. Change Font Style Make letters Bold or Italic.
- 3. Underline letters.
- 4. Use different types of fonts in different languages.
- 5. Change font colour.



Figure 6.14 – Formatting







- 10. Left Indentation
- 11. Right Indentation



- 13. Hanging Indentation
- 14. Line spacing

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15. Paragraph spacing

The computer memory refers to the

storage area of a computer where all

the data and instructions are stored.



Software is any set of machine-readable instructions that directs a computer's processor to perform specific operations. A combination of hardware and software forms a

Figure 6.17 – Indentation

#### For Microsoft Word...

Computer is an electronic device

which accepts data, processes

and produces desired

The storage capacity of the computer memory

Computer hardware refers to the physical parts or components of a computer such as

Indentation

is expressed in terms of bits and bytes. The more memory

Computer hardware is the collection of physical elements

the monitor, mouse, keyboard,

that constitutes a computer system

a computer has, the more memory it can store.

information.

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Select your words or paragraphs

Figure 6.16

Click on the formatting tools you need on 'Home  $\rightarrow$  Paragraph'

Or

- Open 'Paragraph' Dialogue Box
- Select the tools you need there
- Click 'Ok'

#### For LibreOffice Writer...

Select your words or paragraphs

• Click on the formatting tools you need on Formatting Tool Bar

Or

- Open 'Format → Paragraph' Dialogue Box
- Select the tools you need there
- Click 'Ok'



## 6.3.6 Bullets and Numbering and other formatting methods



- 1. Press Tab on the key board
- 2. Press Shift + Tab at the end of the Multilevel list to combine it to the main list again

#### Shading / Adding background colours and borders 21.



# 6.4 Formatting the Document

Some tools provides clarity and attractiveness to the document are shown below;



# 6.4.1 Shapes and Images

Shapes and images are added to provides clarity and attractiveness to the document. For this, keep the cursor in the place you wish to add the shape or image.

#### For Microsoft Word...

Use 'Insert' tab and its Ribbon.

- If it is a shape
- Select Insert  $\rightarrow$  Shape
- Click a shape on it and drag it to the page clicking the Mouse
  - If it is an image, select 'Picture/ ClipArt' on 'Insert' tab.
- Open any image you like

#### For LibreOffice Writer...

Use Insert tab on Menu Bar

- → If it is a shape Select 'Insert Object'
   → OLE Object' Or Select a shape from Drawing tool, click it and drag it to the page using Mouse.
- If it is an image, select 'Insert → Picture From File'
- Open any image you like



## 6.4.2 Formatting the shape or image

User can format the shape or image inserted in the document. For instance, user can change its size, colour, add borders, change its position, etc. (figure 6.21)

First, select the shape or image by clicking on it. Then make use of the Tool Bar to perform the required changes.



Graphics

# 6.4.3 Symbols

User may use different symbols in document preparation. However, there is a limited number of symbols on the keyboard. Additional symbols are available for use.

#### For Microsoft Word...

Open the Dialogue Box by clicking 'Insert  $\rightarrow$  Symbols'. Then click 'Insert' to add the necessary symbols to the Document.

#### For LibreOffice Writer...

Open the Dialogue Box by clicking 'Insert  $\rightarrow$  Special Character'. Then click 'Ok' on the symbols you need to include to the document.

## 6.4.4 Header Footer and Page Numbers

It is essential to add Header and Footer and the page numbers in a document For this purpose;

'Insert  $\rightarrow$  Header and Footer' and 'Page Numbers'



This feature is often used in newspapers and magazines. Columns can be made before or after typing.

For this, select the paragraph.

#### For Microsoft Word...

'Page Layout'  $\rightarrow$  'Columns'  $\rightarrow$  select the number of columns you need.

#### For LibreOffice Writer...

'Formatting'  $\rightarrow$  'Columns'  $\rightarrow$  select the number of columns you need.

#### Activity

1. Open the Word Processing software and perform the following.



 Open a new page. Type the paragraphs given in Activity 7. Then format the paragraphs as given below. Save the document as Assign10 with the password 'WordPass' password. Close the document.

Electronic Waste Disposal



lectronic waste (e-waste): what is it and how do we get rid of it ?

This term applies to consumer and business electronic equipment that is near or at the end of its useful life There is no clear definition for electronic waste (e-waste) at this time, but if you can plug it in an electrical

outlet or it contains circuit boards or chips, it is most likely e-waste. These products can contain heavy metals like cadmium, lead, copper, and chromium that can contaminate the environment Do NOT dispose of these items in the trash or your recycling bins.

Examples of electronic waste include, but not limited to :

- \* TVs, computer monitors, Printers, Scanners, Keyboards, mice, cables, circuit boards, lamps, clocks, flashlight, calculators, phones, answering machines, digital / video cameras, radios, VCRs, DVD players, MP3 and CD players.
- ★ Kitchen equipment (toasters, coffee makers, microwave evens)
- \* Laboratory equipment (hot plates, microscopes, calorimeters)
- \* Broken computer monitors, television tubes (CRTs)

#### Student E - waste Recycling Options

Any laboratory equipment that has the possibility of being contaminated with chemical, biological, or radioactive substances must be cleared through EH&S and Departmental Facilities Office before disposal.

If you live on - campus you can dispose of your electronic waste easity and conveniently by creating a Fix It Ticket or contacting your college maintenance office.

If you live off - campus, learn more about the Sants Cruz County electronic waste disposal program:

Additional information on disposal / recycling of e-waste and other regulated items can be found in all college mailrooms, Graduate Student Housing Mailroom and the Village Laundry Community room. Multibins are blue cabinets built to collect batteries, small electronics, printer cartideges, and CDs. They are located in every college mailroom.

Activity 7

# 6.4.6 Tables

User may need to tabulate data in documents. For this purpose, you need to prepare a standard table. Word Processing software provides facilities to prepare tables. Some of them are;

- Insert or draw the required rows and columns. •
- Delete unnecessary rows / columns. •
- Merge cells. ٠
- Split cells. •
- Colour the table.
- Change text direction.
- Text Direction.



- Select Table, rows, columns, cells before you create the table.
- To move from cell to cell, use arrow keys on the key board, Tab key or click mouse.

## Format tables;

For Microsoft Word Table Tools
Image: Select       Page Layout       References       Mailings       Review       View       Dest sub 88       -Version - 05- edition- 2 - Microsoft Word         Select       View       Properties       Deltde       image: Insett       Image: Split       Split       Image: Insett       Image: Image: Insett       Image: Im
After creating a table, Table Tools Ribbon will be opened when you select that created table. You
<ul> <li>Layout' ribbons.</li> <li>E.g.: Merging</li> <li>Select the rows/ columns/ cells you wish to merge.</li> </ul>
2. Click 'Layout' ribbon on 'Table Tools'. Click on 'Merge Cells'.
For LibreOffice
Make use of tools such as Delete, Select, Insert, Split, Merge on the Menu Bar.
Also make use of the Dialogue Box opened by selecting Table $\rightarrow$ Table Properties $\rightarrow$ Table
Table Format
Table Text Flow Columns Borders Background
Line arrangement     Line     Spacing to contents       Default     Style     Left     0.04"       User-defined     Width     Bight     0.04"
Color Black V Synchronize





# 6.5.1 Correcting Spelling and Grammar

Spelling and Grammar errors will be indicated automatically, and also the possible words will be shown. Spelling errors are underlined in red colour and grammar errors are underlined in green colour.

Drag the cursor to the opening of the document.

#### For Microsoft Word.....

Use 'Review  $\rightarrow$  Spelling and Grammar'

Step

- For LibreOffice Writer.....
- Use 'Tools  $\rightarrow$  Spelling and Grammar'

Step 2Click 'Change' after selecting the correct word for the red or green<br/>underlined wrong word. Click 'Ignore' for the words which are not<br/>there in English Dictionary. (names of people, villages, countries)

# 6.5.2 Thesaurus

180 For free distribution

Thesaurus can be used to find synonyms for the words in documents. For this purpose,

• Select the word you have typed.





• To replace a word in the document with another word, replace facility is used. For this,



2. Change letters of the following words as.	
Businesses – Businasses	
• Computing – camputing	
• Network – natwork	
• Promises – prommises	
Resource – resourses	
3. Then correct those words using Spelling and Grammar facility.	*
4. Find the following words using 'Find' facility.	
Webmail, information, storage	
5. Replace the following words using Replace facility.	
<ul> <li>Business – trade</li> <li>Expensive – luxurious</li> <li>Connection – relation</li> </ul>	
6. After replacing words, save your document in your folder as 'Assign13'.	
6.6 Print	
6.6.1 Print Preview	
Print Preview is useful to check the document before printing. User can	
check whether the document is prepared as needed such as indentation, borders,	



This tool is used to print the document.

Get the 'Print' dialogue box by selecting 'File  $\rightarrow$  Print'. The following are images of Microsoft Office Print (Figure 6.23) and LibreOffice Print (Figure 6.24)



Print dialogue box opened in the word processing software allows to;

- Select the printer
- Print the current page, a few pages or the whole document. (current page, Pages or All)
- Specify the number of copies.

N.B.: Since it is difficult to print documents for each student in the school laboratory, you can save the document with 'pdf' format and. For this purpose,

• File  $\rightarrow$  Print  $\rightarrow$  Microsoft XPC Document

or

Writer Adobe PDF  $\rightarrow$  Print  $\rightarrow$  Give a names for the file  $\rightarrow$  Save

# 6.7 Mail Merge

Mail Merge is used to send a invitations, letters or to print certificates to several people. For this process, you can use the data etc saved in address box saved using Mail Merge. User can create address for labels print.

In this lesson you can learn,

- How to create and save the Data Source / Address List.
- How to create letters, labels and post cards using the Data Source.
- How to format a document before printing.

Use Mail Merge:

• Type the document first.



Mail merge process: Letters, Address Label

		For Microsoft Word
	Step 1.	Select Mailing Tab.
•	Step 2.	Select 'Start Mail Merge $\rightarrow$ Letter'
•	1	To create or select Data Source
•	Step 3.	Select 'Select Recipient $\rightarrow$ Type New List'. *N.B.: To retrieve saved data, select 'Use Existing list'.
•	Step 4.	By clicking 'Customize', change the fields in New address list window.
	1	Those are,
		a. Add (for a new field)
		b. Delete (to delete a field)
		c. Rename (to change field name)
•	Step 5.	After changing, click Ok.
•	Step 6.	Type the necessary data. For this_use
	<b>I</b>	a. New Entry (for a new address)
		b. Delete Entry (to delete an address)
		c. Find (to find an address which is saved)
•	Step 7.	After changing, click Ok and save.
•	200p 11	To create Address Block, use
		a. More
		b. Match Field
•	Step 8.	Click 'Next' or 'Ok' after changes.
•	Step 9.	Use this tool to add Greeting Line.
•	Step 10.	After necessary changes click 'Next' or 'Ok'.
•	1	You can use additional fields by using 'Insert Merge Field'. For this, keep
		the cursor at the necessary place. Then,
•	Step 11	Add necessary fields to the document by clicking 'Insert Merge Field'.
•		To get letters separately;
•	Step 12.	Select 'Finish & Merge edit Individual documents'.
•	Step 13.	Save the prepared documents and print.
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#### For LibreOffice Writer... Step 1. Select Tool $\rightarrow$ Mailing Wizard. Select 'Select Starting document $\rightarrow$ Use the current document $\rightarrow$ Next'. Step 2. Select the document type $\rightarrow$ Letter $\rightarrow$ Next Step 3. To create or select the Address List, Select 'Insert Address Block $\rightarrow$ Select Address List $\rightarrow$ Create' Step 4. \*N.B.: To retrieve data which is saved, select 'Add'. Step 5. Change the fields as required for the document by clicking 'Customize' in 'New address List' window. For this, use a. Add (for a new field) b. Delete (to delete an unnecessary field) c. Rename (to change the name of the field) Step 6. After changes, click Ok. Step 7. Type the necessary data. For this, a. New (for a new address) b. Delete (to delete an address) c. Find (to find an address which is saved) After changes click Ok. Then save it in a proper place with a proper name. Step 8. Click Ok again. Step 9. Follow step 2, 3, 4 respectively which are in 'Insert address block' window. Step 10. a. To decide Address Block. This can be used for b. More c. Match Field After necessary changes click Next. Step 11. Step 12. Use this window to create a salutation. Do necessary changes. Step 13. Click Next. Step 14. To place your address, use 'Adjust layout of address block and salutation' window. Click Next. Use Preview and edit the document window to select the people who get . Step 15. letters and to get a preview of the document. Step 16. Personalize document allows you to find addresses and to make one document. Connect to Mail Merge Menu by clicking Return to Mail Merge Wizard. Step 17. Go ahead while clicking Next. Step 18. Use 'Save, Print or send document window' for various savings and printing. a. Save starting document - to save the initial letter b. Save merged document – to save the merged letter c. Print merged document - to print the merged letter d. Send merged document as E-mail – to email the merged letter

#### Activity



Open the Word Processing software and perform the following. 1. Type the letter shown in Activity 10. However, do not type

the words and symbols which appear in between <...>. Keep one space. Then save the document in your folder as 'Assign10'.

Computer Resouce Centre
Senkadagala
28. 04.2014
<title> <first name=""> <last name=""></last></first></title>
<address 1="" line=""></address>
<address 2="" line=""></address>
Teacher Parent Interact day
Please take this opportunity to discuss the progress of your child
«child's Name» by meeting the class teacher on «Date» at «Time»
at the classroom.
Principal

2. Use Mail Merge. For Data source / Address List, enter data of 10 people as shown in the table below.

Activity

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Title	Firts Name	Last Name	Address 1	Address 2	Child- Name	Date	Time
Mr.	Chaminda	Sampath	Pelawaththa	Battaramulla	Yawaha	26.06.2014	9.00 am
Mrs.	Pushparani	Chandrabose	Mattakkuliya	Colombo	Derwin	26.06.2014	9.30 am
Mr.	Mohamed	Amith	Hills Street	Dehiwala	Sharmila	26.06.2014	10.00 am

Activity	
	<ol> <li>Open the Word Processing software and prepare the following.</li> <li>Certificates         <ul> <li>Invitation cards</li> <li>Forms</li> <li>Letters</li> <li>Announcements</li> <li>A banner</li> </ul> </li> <li>Save the document you have prepared. Creat a PDF file:</li> </ol>
6.7.1 Short	tcut Keys

#### 6.7.1 Shortcut Keys

Shortcut keys are used for the efficient use of the application. The following are some of the shortcut keys. User can save time using the shortcut keys.

Shortcut Key	Function
Ctrl + N	Get a new document
Ctrl + S	Name the document and to save
Ctrl + O	Open a document
Ctrl + A	Select the document
Ctrl + C	Copy letters / objects
Ctrl + X	Cut letters / objects
Ctrl + V	Paste letters / objects
Ctrl + H	Replace words
Ctrl + HOME	Get the cursor to the opening of the
	document
Ctrl + END	Get the cursor to the end of the
	document

#### Summary

What is Word Processing, benefits of using a Word Processing software

- Types of software (Commercial and Free and Open Source)
- Graphical User Interface of a Word Processing software

Important things in preparing a new document

- Preparing a new document
- Methods of saving
- Opening a file which is saved

Preparing a document'

- Page Setup
- Methods of selecting
- Formatting text formatting, paragraph formatting, using bullets and numbers, shading, adding borders

Formatting the document

- Adding and changing shapes and images
- Using symbols
- Adding Header and Footer, Page Numbers
- Creating columns
- Inserting and changing tables

Proofreading and Printing

- Finding and correcting spelling and grammar errors
- Using Thesaurus
- Finding and replacing words
- Printing documents

#### Mail Merge

Preparing Data Source

- Adding fields to the Mail Merge
- Printing.