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Setting Up

The Apple Interactive Music Tool and Apple Media Tool Music Engine let you create QuickTime Album Container (QuAC) files. A QuAC file can be placed on an enhanced CD or distributed on its own, to be played back on the Apple CD Player along with the audio CD the file was made for.

In this chapter

- instructions for installing the Apple Interactive Music Tool and Apple Media Tool Music Engine
- suggestions for preparing the PICT files, and QuickTime movie files that you want to include in your interactive multimedia presentation

Installing the software

- 1 Insert the Apple Interactive Music Toolkit CD in the CD-ROM tray.
- 2 If necessary, double-click the CD icon to open it.
- 3 Double-click the Installer icon.
- 4 In the window that appears, read the software license agreement, then click Continue.
- 5 In the Installer dialog box, click Install.

Notice that by installing the software, you have accepted the terms of the software license agreement.

6 The Installer installs the software you need for the toolkit.

<< Will a Restart be required??>>

The tutorial

The CD contains a tutorial to give you some practice working with the Apple Media Tool Music Engine. If you plan to use the Tutorial, you must install that yourself. Open the CD, find the Tutorial folder, and drag it to your hard disk.

Inside the Tutorial folder is a Media folder, containing a number of media items required for the tutorial. Once you complete the tutorial and feel comfortable with the Music Engine, you can discard the Tutorial folder and all its contents.

Preparations

Before you can use the Aple Media Tool Music Engine and Apple Interactive Media Tool to organize the pieces of your presentation and create a QuAC file, you must prepare the pieces. For example, you may want to include photographs of the artists in PICT file format and QuickTime movies containing music samples and bits of interviews. Here are some tips to help you assemble the media that will produce the results you want:

- <<Useful tip>>
- <<Useful tip>>

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Using the Apple Interactive Music Tool

You use the Apple Interactive MusicTool to create QuickTime Album Containter (QuAC) files.

In this chapter

- entering information
- creating QuAC files

Entering information in the Apple Interactive MusicTool

You use the tool to enter information that descibes the audio CD for which you are creating an interactive media track:

- Disc/File—information about the entire CD
- Tracks—information about all of the tracks on the CD, including the list of tracks, song titles, and details about each song.
- Internet—URLs for internet sites to which the CD has access
- AMT Files—access to interactive media presentations and custom controllers, prepared with the Apple Media Tool Music Engine for your CD

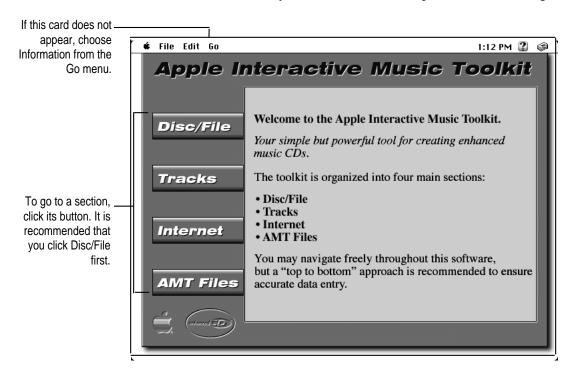
Most of the information is optional. To meet Blue Book specifications for an Enhanced CD, you are required only to enter the album title, the name of the principal artist, and a photo of the album's front jacket.

To open the Apple Interactive Media Tool:

Double-click the Apple Interactive Music Tool icon.

Introduction

In the Introduction card, you'll find a brief description of how to navigate.

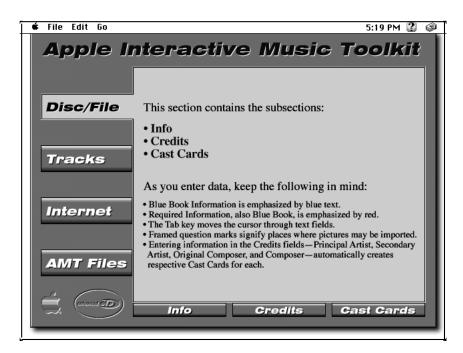


To go to one of the sections:

Click a section button on the Introduction card.

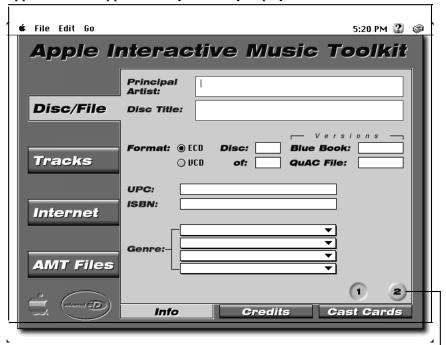
Disc/File section

The introduction to the Disc/File section provides useful information about entering data.



About This Disc File—card 1

The About This subsection contains two cards. Enter the required information and any other information you want. What you enter here appears in the Apple CD Player when you play the CD.



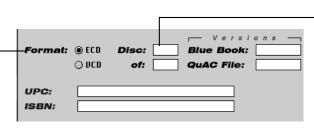
To go to card 2, click here.

Required information



General information (optional)

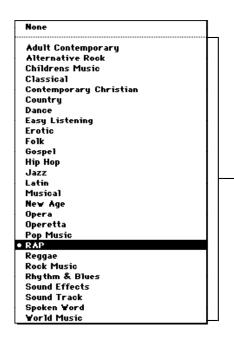
If you plan to put the QuAC file on an Enhanced CD, click ECD to select it. To distribute the QuAC file separate from the disc, click VCD (virtual CD). VCD shows the album title, the principal artist, and whether you have interactive AMT files.



Enter the number of discs in the album (optional). For example, some albums are a two-disc set.

Genre (optional)





The genres listed are registered with the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA).

You can choose up to four genres for one album. (In the Tracks section, you can also choose up to four genres for each track on the album.)

About This Disc File—card 2

The information on the second card is optional (not required to meet the Blue Book standard). If you enter information here, it appears when you play the CD in the Apple CD Player.



Language (optional)

Scroll to find the language used on the album.

Note: In this version of the software, only one language is available (English).



File information and history (optional)

Publisher:		
Publishing Date: Creation Date:	Today Today	
Copyright:		

Disc File Credits—card 1

The Credits subsection contains two cards. Enter the required information and any other information you want. The information you enter appears when you play the CD in the Apple CD Player.

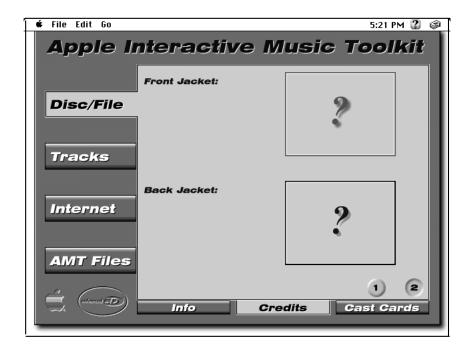
The Disc Title and Principal Artist are required. If you have already entered the title and artist's name on the About This card, that information appears here automatically.



To go to card 2, click here.

Disc File Credits—card 2

To meet the Blue Book standard, the file must include the Front Jacket image.



Front Jacket image (required)

You can specify the PICT files that show the front and back of the album.

1 Double-click the Front Jacket box.

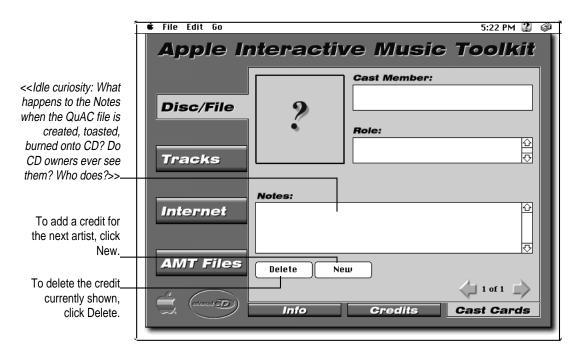


- 2 In the dialog box that appears, locate the PICT file you want.
- 3 Click Open.

The image appears in the box you selected in step 1. You can repeat the process for the Back Jacket box if you want to.

Disc File Cast Cards

Use cast cards to enter information about the artists who appear on the album. This information is optional.



Artist's image (optional)

You can import a PICT file showing an image of the artist.

1 Double-click the box provided for the image.



- 2 In the dialog box that appears, locate the PICT file you want.
- 3 Click Open.

The image appears in the box.

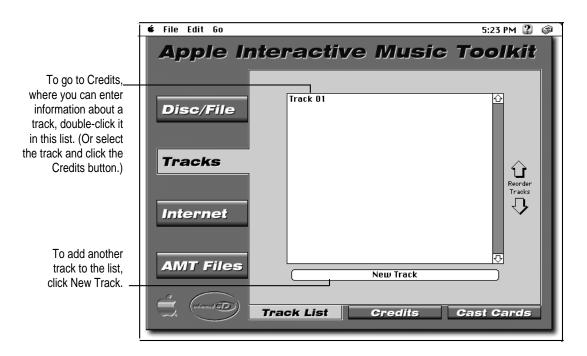
Tracks section

The introduction to the Tracks section provides useful information about entering data.

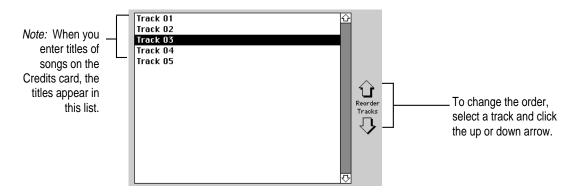


Track List

Use this card to list all the tracks on the album.



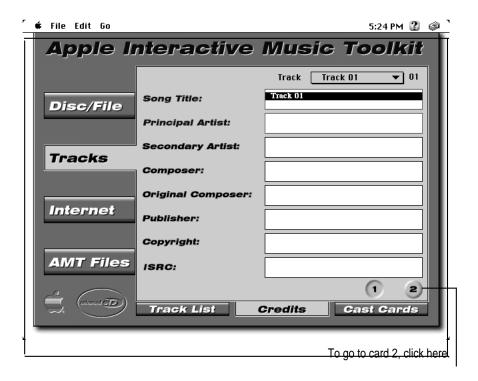
To change the order of tracks in the list, click a track to select it, and then click the up or down arrow to move the track to a different position.



To enter detailed information about each track, click Credits or double-click the track in the list.

Track Credits—card 1

Enter the information you want attached to your QuAC file. What you enter here appears in the Apple CD Player when you play the CD.



Required information

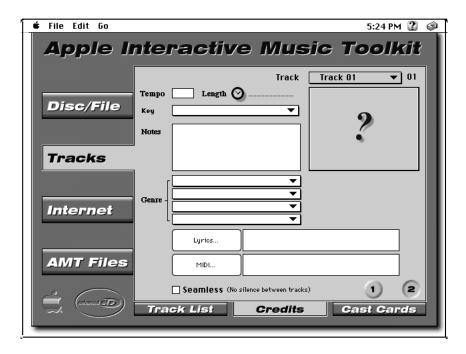


General information (optional)

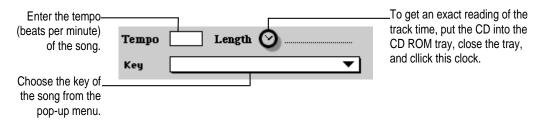
Secondary Artist:	
Composer:	
Original Composer:	
Publisher:	
Copyright:	
ISRC:	

Track Credits—card 2

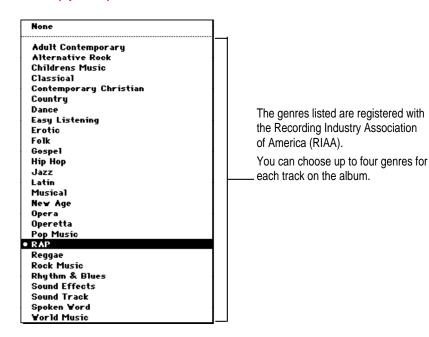
Enter the information you want attached to your QuAC file. This information is optional. If you enter information here, it appears when you play the CD in the Apple CD Player.



Track tempo, length, and key (optional)



Genre (optional)



Lyrics and MIDI information (optional)

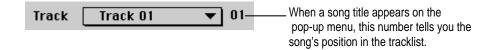


Note: In this version of the software, the MIDI access is not supported. The feature will be available in future versions.

To learn how to create a lyrics file, using LyrAssist, see Chapter 4.

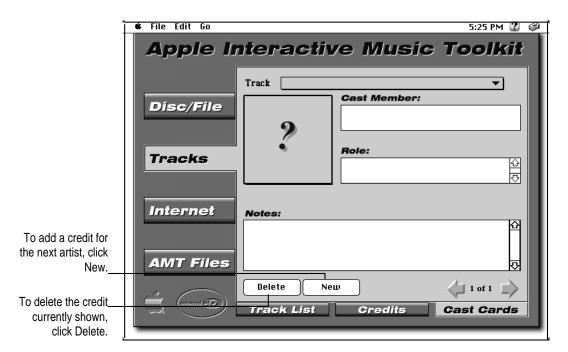
Changing to a different track

Use the pop-up menu to go to the information about any of the tracks listed.



Cast Cards

Use these cards to enter information about the artists who appear on the album. Information you enter appears when you play the CD in the Apple CD Player.



Artist's image (optional)

You can import a PICT file showing an image of the artist.

1 Click the box provided for the image.

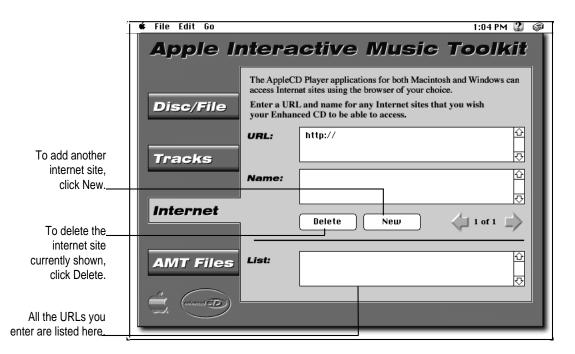


- 2 In the dialog box that appears, locate the PICT file you want.
- 3 Click Open.

The image appears in the box.

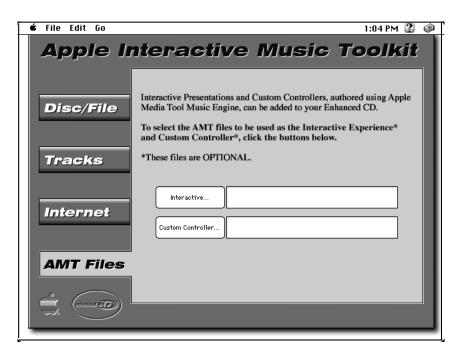
Internet

Use this card to enter information about an Internet site you want the CD to have access to. (You can enter only one URL for each card.)



AMT Files

Use this card to enter information about interactive presentations and custom controllers you want to include in the QuAC file you create. If you enter information here, it appears when you play the CD in the Apple CD Player.



- 1 Click the Interactive or Custom Controller button.
- 2 In the dialog box that appears, locate the file you want.
- 3 Click Open.

The pathname to the AMT file you've chosen appears in the scrolling box.

Using the Apple Media Tool Music Engine

For practice using the Apple Media Tool Music Engine to create interactive presentations, see the tutorial, "Using the Music Engine." For information on the menu commands available in the Apple Media Tool Music Engine, see Chapter 3

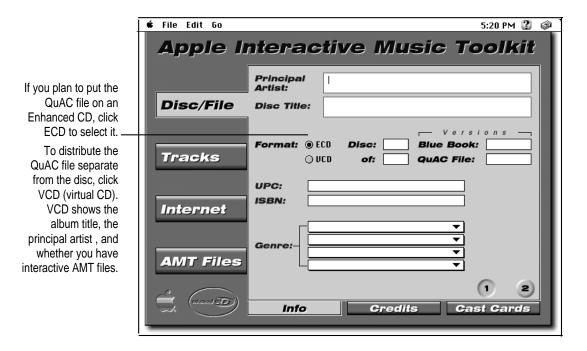
Saving a work in progress

It's a good idea to choose Save As from the File menu at frequent intervals while you work on a file.

Making a QuAC file

When you have entered the information you want, you are ready to create the QuAC file.

1 Make sure you have selected the appropriate type, Enhanced CD (ECD) or virtual CD (VCD) for your QuAC file.



- 2 Choose Make QuAC File from the File menu.
- In the dialog box that appears, type a name for the file.
- 4 Click Save.
- 5 You can start work on a new QuAC file or choose Quit from the File.

Menu Commands for the tool

This section explains the commands available from the menu bar when you're using the tool to create a QuAC file.

File menu



- New: Brings up a card with no entries. If you choose New while you have an unsaved card open, a message asks whether you want to save the card you were working on.
- **Open:** Brings up a dialog box which lets you locate and open files you've created with the Apple Interactive Music Tool.
- Save As: Saves the file you are working on. After the first time you save the file, Save As lets you save the file with a different name, or in a different folder, or on a different disk.
- Make QuAC File: Creates the QuAC file. Any information you enter into the QuAC file and burn onto a music CD appears when you play the CD in the Apple CD Player.
- Quit: Ends a session with the Apple Interactive Music Tool.

Edit menu



- Undo: Cancels your most recent changes to the file. For example, if you select and delete some text from the Notes area, you can choose Undo to cancel the deletion. When an action cannot be undone, the command is dimmed.
- Cut Text: Removes the text you have selected and places it on the Clipboard.
- Copy Text: Copies the text you have selected to the Clipboard. The original text stays where it was when you selected it.
- Paste: Copies the text on the Clipboard to the location you indicate.
- Clear Text: Removes the text you have selected without placing it on the Clipboard. (The contents of the Clipboard, if any, stay intact.) This command accomplishes the same objective as pressing the Delete key when text has been selected.

Go menu



This menu provides another way to navigate among the cards.

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Working With the Apple Media Tool Music Engine

The Apple Media Tool Music Engine lets you create mutimedia presentations that you can include in your QuickTime Album Container (QuAC) files. The Music Engine is a trimmer version of the full-featured Apple Media Tool. That is, this version does not support all the same features as Apple Media Tool. In addition, the Music Engine has some unique features not found in the standard Apple Media Tool. This chapter explains the differences.

In this chapter

- Apple Media Tool (AMT) features that are supported by the Music Engine
- features that are unique to the Music Engine
- reference section explaining the commands available with the Music Engine.

Learning to use the Music Engine

To practice creating an interactive multimedia presentation with the Music Engine, see the tutorial, "Using the Music Engine." The Installer does not install the tutorial for you. To install what you need, copy the Tutorial folder to your hard disk. Inside the folder, you'll find the tutorial in PDF format and a Tutorial Media folder. To open the tutorial, double-click the *Using the Music Engine* icon and follow the instructions. You may find it more convenient to print the tutorial before you start creating the presentation.

AMT features included in the Music Engine

These features are supported by the Apple Media Tool Music Engine.

Media Types

- Picture—a QuickDraw picture (PICT) file
- Movie—a QuickTime movie file

Object Types

- Picture—a QuickDraw picture (PICT) file
- Movie—a QuickTime movie file
- Movie Controller—a QuickTime movie with the addition of a standard QuickTime movie controller giving user direct control over movie playback
- Empty—an invisible object that can receive mouse events (useful in creating buttons that overlay other elements)

Event Types

- Before Display—sent to objects before the screen is initially drawn
- After Display—sent to objects after the screen is initially drawn
- Mouse Down—sent to an object when the mouse is pressed while over the object's active area
- Mouse Up—sent to an object when the mouse is released while over the object's active area
- Finished—sent to an object when its duration or playback elapses
- Mouse Enter—sent to an object when the mouse enters the object's active area
- Mouse Leave—sent to an object when the mouse leaves the object's active area
- Track Changed—<<Is this one of the "unique to AIMT features??>>>

Action Types

There are three kinds of actions: commands, links, and CD commands.

Command Actions

- Show—display an object
- Hide—erase an object and remove it from the screen
- Show\Hide—toggle between showing and hiding an object
- Enable—make an object responsive to mouse events
- Disable—make an object unresponsive to mouse events
- Enable♦Disable—toggle between enabling and disabling the responsiveness of an object
- Start—start playing a movie (or show a PICT that's not shown)
- Stop—stop playing a movie (or hide a PICT that's shown)
- Start◊Stop—toggle between playing or stopping a movie (or showing or hiding a PICT)
- Go to Start—set the current time of a movie to the earliest time (doesn't start playing the movie)
- Go to End—set the current time of a movie to its duration
- Go to Time—set the current time of a movie to the time specified in the "time" parameter
- Find Text—in the text track of a movie, search for the text specified in the "textToFind" parameter, and set the time of a movie to the time when that text starts

Link Actions

- Go to Screen—switch to the screen specified
- Go Back—go to previous screen, if any
- Quit—Close the interactive experience

CD Command Actions

- Play—start playing of CD audio
- Pause—pause playing of CD audio
- Previous Track—set the current CD audio track to the previous track
- Next Track—set the current CD audio track to the next track
- Go to Track—set the current CD track to the track specified
- Show Interactive Window—run the interactive experience, if available
- Show Media Window—show or bring to the front the media window

Features unique to the Music Engine

The Apple Media Tool Music Engine allows authoring of one event and seven actions that are related to the Apple CD Player application.

Event

 CD Track Changed—sent to objects on the current screen when the current audio track being played changes (includes identification of the new track)

Actions

- Play—start playing CD audio if not already playing << Is Play button available when CD is already playing? Not toggled to Pause??>>
- Pause—pause playing of CD audio
- Previous Track—set the current CD audio track to the previous track (previous track may be determined by play mode, because a custom playlist affects the order of play)
- Next Track—set the current CD audio track to the next track (also affected by play mode)
- Go to Track <u>trackNumber</u>—set the current CD audio track to the track specified as a parameter (ranging from 1-98)
- Show Interactive Window—run the interactive experience, if available
- Show Media Window—show or bring to the front the media window

Menu Commands for the Music Engine

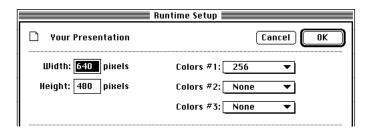
This section explains the commands available from the menu bar when you're using the Music Engine. For information on the commands that are available in the browser when you are creating a presentation, see "Browser Menu Commands," later in this chapter.

File menu

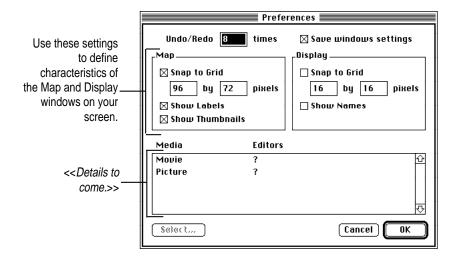


- New: Brings up a blank map window.
- **Open:** Brings up a dialog box that lets you locate and open files you've created with the Music Engine.
- Close: Closes the active window. If you haven't saved the map or display in the window, an alert box appears asking you whether you want to save before closing the window.
- Save: Saves the file you are working on, including any changes you've made to it. Use Save (rather than Save As) for routine saving of your project.
- Save As: Saves the file you are working on. After the first time you save the file, Save As lets you save the file with a different name, or in a different folder, or on a different disk.

- Save As Text: Saves a text version of the project (a definition of the project in the Apple Media Language). In the Save As Text dialog box, there's a checkbox labeled Backup All Media. << Tell me what service this provides?>>
- Revert to Saved: Opens the most recently saved version of a project. If there haven't been any changes since the last time you saved the project, Revert to Saved is dimmed.
- **Runtime Setup:** Determines the display size and the number of colors used for a particular project (that is, what you see on your monitor).



■ **Preferences:** Determines the appearance of the map and display windows you use while creating your project and lets you define the applications you use to edit the QuickTime movies and PICT files in your project.



■ Page Setup: Lets you set the page size, orientation, and other options for doucments that you print in the Music Engine.

- **Print:** Prints the contents of the active window. The Print dialog box that appears is similar to such dialog boxes from most Macintosh applications.
- Quit: Ends a session with the Apple Media Tool Music Engine. If you haven't saved the most recent changes, a message appears asking you whether you want to save the project before quitting the application.

Edit menu

Edit	
Undo	₩Z
Redo	₩R
Cut	жн
Сору	жc
Paste	жu
Paste into	₩B
Clear	
Clear into	
Select All	 ₩A
Invert Selection	% I
Parameters	

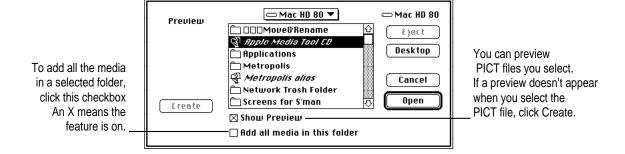
- Undo: Cancels your most recent changes to the file. For example, if you select and delete some text from the Notes area, you can choose Undo to cancel the deletion. When an action cannot be undone, the command is dimmed.
- Redo: Cancels an Undo.
- Cut: Removes the item you have selected and places it on the Clipboard. Because items such as a screen in the map window are containers for other items such as PICT files, cutting removes the contents of the screen as well as the screen itself. << Are the PICT files etc still available in the Media windoid?>>
- **Copy:** Copies the item you have selected to the Clipboard. The original item stays where it was when you selected it. As with the Cut command, copying an item also copies anything it contains.
- **Paste:** Copies the item on the Clipboard to the location you indicate.
- **Paste into:** << Explanation to come.>>.

- Clear: Removes the item you have selected without placing it on the Clipboard. (The contents of the Clipboard, if any, stay intact.) This command accomplishes the same objective as pressing the Delete key when text has been selected. As with the Cut and Copy commands, Clearing an item also clears anything it contains.
- **Clear into:** Lets you remove media from an item in the Objects pane of the Browser without removing the object itself. << *Details to come.*>>
- **Select All:** Selects everything in a particular container. Click the Browser pane that contains the items you want to select, then choose Select All.
- **Invert Selection:** Selects items that are not selected and deselects those that are selected among a group of items in the same container.
- **Parameters:** Lets you define some characteristics of a selected item. The options available vary depending on the item you select.

Media menu

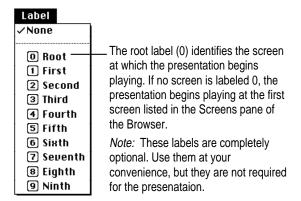


■ Add: Adds media to the Media miniwindow. You select PICT and QuickTime files from this source to include on the screens in your project.



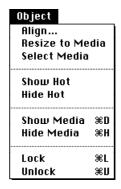
- **Replace:** Replaces a PICT file or QuickTime movie you select in the Media miniwindow with another one you can choose from the dialog box that appears. You cannot use this command to replace more than one item at a time.
- Modify: Lets you edit a selected PICT file or QuickTime movie. If you have previously specified (in the Preferences dialog box) the editor you intend to use, you can select a item in the Media miniwindow and choose Modify to edit the item. For details about the Preferences command, see the section "File Menu," earlier in this chapter.
- **Backup All:** Creates a file named MEDIA that contains copies of all the media items you use in a project and puts the MEDIA folder into the same folder that contains the project. << What if there's already a MEDIA folder in the project folder?? Does this work with Music Engine? It won't for me.>>
- Check All: Verifies that the items in your Media miniwindow are available. The files that appear in the Media miniwindow are not the actual PICT and QuickTime movie files. They are references to the files themselves, and occasionally the original files may be moved or deleted from the source. To make sure that the items in your Media miniwindow are available, click Check All. If all the files are where they were when you added them, a beep sounds. If a file is missing, a dialog box appears asking for the location of the file. Use the dialog box to find the file you want. To make such searches easier, you may want to keep together, in a folder named Media, all PICT and QuickTime movie files you plan to use in presentations.
- First Use: Identifies the object that uses a media item first in the sequence of the presentation. To learn which object uses a media item, click the item in the Media miniwindow and choose First Use. (See also the Select Media command in the section "Object Menu," later in this manual.)
- **Next Use:** Identifies the object object that uses the media item you found using the First Use command. If the media item has been used only once, you hear a beep.

Label menu

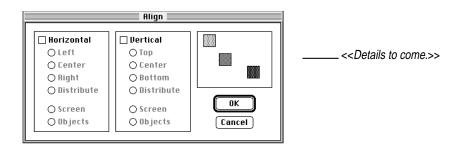


Use this menu to label a selected screen in the Map window.

Object menu

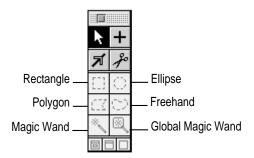


■ **Align:** Controls the positions of objects relative to each other.



You can, of course, control the positions yourself, by moving objects in the Display window.

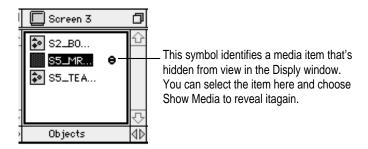
- **Resize to Media:** Makes an object the size of the media it contains. This command is not available if the object and media are already the same size.
- Select Media: Identifies the media item contained in the selected object. (See also the First Use command in the section "Media Menu," earlier in this manual.)
- Show/Hide Hot: Reveals or hides the hot region of a selected object. You use specific tools from the Tool palette to create hot regions that can respond to mouse activities (such as clicks) when the pointer is within the hot region. By default, an object's hot region is the entire rectangle it occupies, but the Tool palette lets you create custom hot regions, using the hot region tools identified in the illustration below.



The "shape" tools create hot regions in the shapes named. The Magic Wand lets you designate an area contiguous to a specific color as the hot region. The Global Magic Wand lets you designate all instances of a color within the object's rectangle as hot regions.

Note: Hot regions you create with the Freehand tool, Magic Wand, and Global Magic Wand use a lot of memory.

■ Show/Hide Media: Causes selected media items to be hidden from view or to be revealed again in the Display window. You may want to hide media if several items overlap in one screen. When a media item is hidden, a symbol appears next to its name in the Objects pane of the Browser.

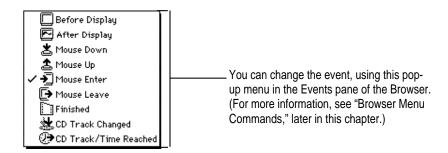


■ Lock/Unlock: Locks a selected object, preventing it from being deleted, cut, cleared, moved, resized, or aligned. Unlocks a selected locked object.

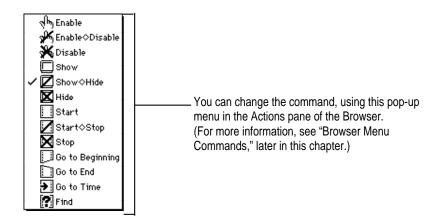
Action menu



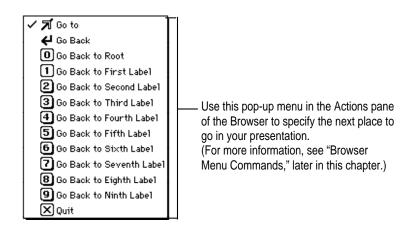
 Add Event: Creates an event in the Browser's Events pane for a selected object.



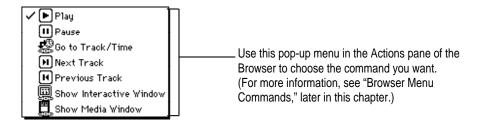
- Add All Events: Lists all events in the Browser's Events pane for a selected object. You can delete any events you don't want.
- Add Command: Adds specific actions associated with events. A list of options appears in the Actions pane of the Browser.



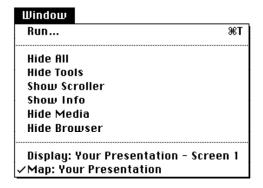
Add Link: Adds a specific link when you want an event to take the presentation to another screen. A list of links appears in the Actions pane of the Browser.



■ **Add CD Command:** Adds a command for use with a CD player you are creating (a custom controller).

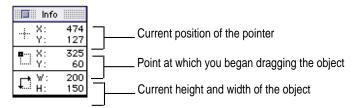


Window menu



- Run: Previews your presentation. In the Map window (or in the Screens pane of the Browser), select the first screen in the presentation, and then choose Run from the Windows menu. The first screen of your presentation appears, and you can check out the actions and events you have defined with the Music Engine.
- Hide/Show All: Hides or reveals the Browser and any other open miniwindows.
- **Hide/Show Tools:** Hides or reveals the Tool palette.
- **Hide/Show Scroller:** Hides or reveals the Scroller (a miniwindow that gives you an overview, in miniature, of the Map window).

■ **Hide/Show Info:** Hides or reveals the Info window. When you drag to change the size or position of an object, you can choose Show Info to get details of the change. The measurements are done in pixels. The X value specifies distance from the left edge of the screen, and the Y value specifies distance from the top of the screen.



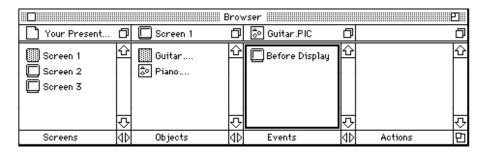
- **Hide/Show Media:** Hides or reveals the Media miniwindow.
- **Hide/Show Browser:** Hides or reveals the Browser.
- **Display and Map:** Lists project windows currently open.

Browser menu commands

This section explains the commands available from the Browser's Events and Actions pop-up menus when you are creating a presentation. For information on the Music Engine menu commands, see "Menu Commands for the Music Engine," earlier in this chapter.

Events pop-up menu

To gain access to the Events pop-up menu, you must have created at least one screen and have selected at least one media object for that screen. Then you can choose Add Event from the Actions menu, and an event appears in the Events pane of the Browser.

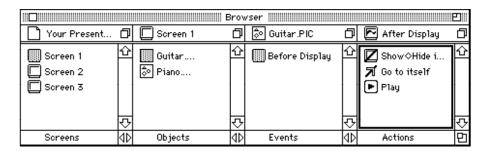


Each event that appears in the pane also acts as a pop-up menu. To see the pop-up menu, put the pointer on the event and press the mouse button. A list appears, showing the events available with the Music Engine.

Before Display	Sent by the Music Engine to each object in a screen before the screen is displayed
After Display	Sent by the Music Engine to each object in a screen immediately after the screen is displayed
Mouse Down	Sent to an object when the user clicks it
Mouse Up	Sent to an object when the mouse button is released over the object
Mouse Enter	Sent to an object when the pointer moves into the object's rectangle
Mouse Leave	Sent to an object when the pointer moves out of the object's rectangle
Finished	Sent to an object when its duration or playback elapses
CD Track Changed	Sent to a player/controller when a new track is played.
CD Track/Time Reached	Sent to a player/controller when << Details to be added.>>

Actions pop-up menu

To gain access to the Actions pop-up menu, you must have added an action—a command, a link, or a CD command—to the Actions pane of the Browser.



There are three versions of pop-up menus in the Actions pane. The version depends on the action you choose from the Action menu in the menu bar.

Command actions in the pop-up menu

Each action that appears in the pane also acts as a pop-up menu. To see the pop-up menu, put the pointer on the action and press the mouse button. A list appears, showing the actions of this type available with the Music Engine.

Enable	Set the target to be enabled to receive mouse clicks
Enable≎Disable	Flip the enabled state of the target
Disable	Set the target to be disabled and invisible to mouse actions and, for Keyboard objects, to key presses
Show	Set the target to be visible
Show≎Hide	Flip the visibility state of the target
Hide	Set the target to be invisible, perhaps revealing objects underneath.
Start	Start the duration timer of the target, playing its movie or sound if appropriate
Start≎Stop	Pause or restart the duration timer of the target
Stop	Stop the playback or duration timer of the target
Go to Beginning	Set the target's current time to the beginning of its time dimension
Go to End	Set the target's current time to the end of its time dimension
Go to Time	Set the target's current time to the given position in its time dimension
Find	Find the given text in the text track of the target movie and set its current frame to the position of the text.

Link actions in the pop-up menu

A link moves from one screen to another. After all other actions for the event have been performed, all objects on the current screen are hidden, the objects from the target screen are loaded, and the new screen is displayed. The most recent visual effect is performed to make the transition between the two screens. Although you can put as many links in the Actions pane of an event as you wish, only the last link in the list is executed, and it is performed after all other actions.

There are three kinds of links: the Go To link, several Go Back links, and the Quit link. When executing a Go To link, Apple Media Tool shows the screen that is the target of the link. For Go Back links, Apple Media Tool returns to a previous screen. On a Quit link, Apple Media Tool shows a black screen and then quits the title, returning to the environment from which the title was run.

The Go To link can use as a target only screens that are linked to the current screen in the Map window. If you assign a screen to be the target of a Go To link, but it is not connected to that screen in the Map window, the link appears crossed out. This helps the designer of a title to avoid errors. When you are constructing a title with buttons that move the user from screen to screen, follow these steps:

- 1 Lay out the screens.
- 2 Link the screens together in the Map window in the order in which they will be traversed.
- 3 Create a button on each screen with some event (such as Mouse Up) that executes a Go To link.
- Set the link to its correct target by dragging the target screen from the Screens pane of the Browser minimized to the Go To link.

The Go Back links backtrack the title's user through the map of screens. You don't need to have a direct connection between one screen and another to use a Go Back link if the user has been able to navigate to the screen using forward links. <<*Clarification??>>*

The Go Back link goes to the immediately previous screen. Apple Media Tool remembers the trail the user has taken through screens, and it can back up all the way to the beginning. A Go Back link on the first screen of the title does nothing.

The Go Back to Root and Go Back to Label links return the user to the most recent screen with the given label. You use these links primarily for making hierarchies or menus of screens that allow the user to return to previous menus, without your having to make explicit links.

Finally, the Quit link ends the title, showing a black screen and returning either to the Apple Media Tool interface (if the project was run by the Run command) or to the Finder or the Windows File Manager (if the title was run).

CD command actions in the pop-up menu

Each action that appears in the pane also acts as a pop-up menu. To see the pop-up menu, put the pointer on the action and press the mouse button. A list appears, showing the actions of this type available with the Music Engine.

Play	< <details come.="" to="">></details>
Pause	< <details come.="" to="">></details>
Go To Track/Time	< <details come.="" to="">></details>
Next Track	< <details come.="" to="">></details>
Previous Track	< <details come.="" to="">></details>
Show Interactive Window	< <details come="" to="">></details>
Show Media Window	< <details come="" to="">></details>

Using the Lyric Synchronizer

The Lyric Synchronizer is an application you can use to create a file containing a song and its lyrics. When you play the song, the lines of lyrics appear as they are being sung. With the printed lyrics on screen while you play an enhanced CD, you can select a particular lyric line you want to hear, and the Apple CD Player will go to that line and play it for you.

In this chapter

- typing the lyrics
- preparing a flattened QuickTime sound movie
- synchronizing lyrics and sound

Typing the lyrics

1 Using SimpleText or any word processor, type the lyrics, line by line.

Do your best to match the phrasing of the song. When there's a significant pause in the singing, press Return and move to the next line.

If there's as instrumental solo longer than two or three seconds anywhere in the song, leave a blank line to represent the solo. This might mean there is a blank line before the first line of lyrics, one or more blank lines as the song progresses, and a blank line after the last line is sung.

When you have finished typing the lyrics, name and save the file.

It's a good idea to save it in the same folder as the Lyric Synchronizer.

Preparing a flattened QuickTime sound movie

1 Insert the music CD into the CD ROM tray on your Macintosh computer.

The CD icon appears on your desktop.

2 Open the Movie Player application.

The Movie Player came with your toolkit software << installed by the Installer??>> in a Utilities folder. Find the application and double-click its icon to open it.

- 3 Choose Import from the File menu.
- 4 In the dialog box that appears, locate the music CD and click Open.
- 5 In the next dialog box, select the song that you want and click Convert.

6 In the Save dialog box, click Options.

7 In the Options dialog box, make the choices you want.

<<Screen to come.>>

In the Settings area of the dialog box, choose:

■ Rate: 11.025 kHz

■ Size: 8 bit Use: Mono

These settings work fine for synchronizing lyrics and use less space on your hard disk

In the Audio Selection area of the dialog box, notice that the entire song is selected, by default. If you want to capture only part of the song, use the markers on both ends of the slider to define the segment you want. To preview your selection, use the Play button.

- 8 When you've chosen the appropriate settings, click OK.
- 9 Name and save the file.

A small window shows the status of the process. Importing the movie can take a minute or two.

When the process is complete, a small player with the name you gave your sound movie appears.

- 10 Choose Save As from the File menu.
- 11 In the Save as dialog box, click "Make movie self-contained" and "Playable on non-Apple computers."

"Make movie self-contained" flattens the movie. << Details to come.>>

"Playable on non-Apple computers" means the song with synchronized lyrics can be played on other than Macintosh computers. << Details to come.>>

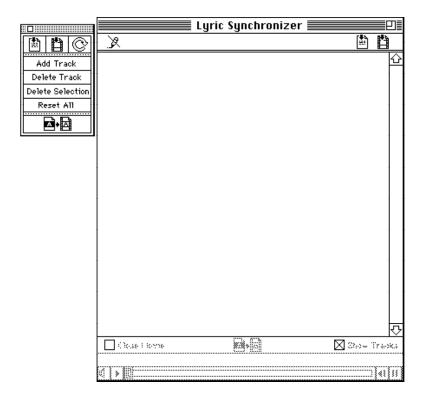
12 Name and save the file.

This is the file you use when you synchronize the lyrics and the song. It's a good idea to save it in the same folder as the Lyric Synchronizer and the text file containing the lyrics.

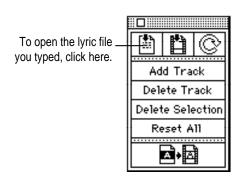
Synchronizing lyrics and sound

1 Open the Lyric Synchronizer.

A window and a miniwindow appear.



2 To open the lyric file, click the document icon in the miniwindow.

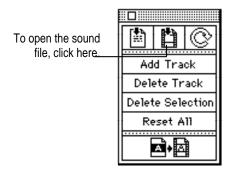


3 In the Open dialog box that appears, locate the lyric file and click Open.

Now the lyrics appear in the window.

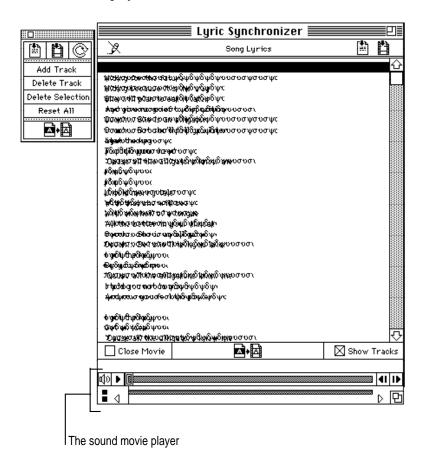


4 To open the sound file, click the movie icon in the miniwindow.

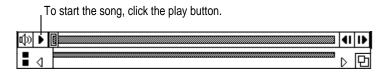


5 In the Open dialog box that appears, locate the sound movie file and click Open.

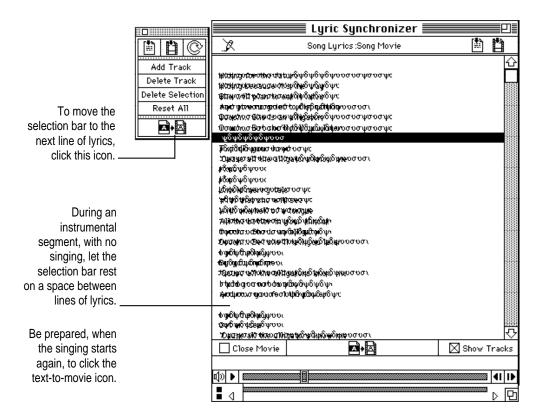
Notice that the player at the bottom of the window is now active.



6 In the sound movie player, click the play button.

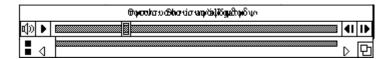


7 Each time a line of lyrics starts, click the text-to-movie icon in the miniwindow.



With practice, you should be able to synchronize lyrics to your own satisfaction. The most important factor in successful synchronizing is your familiarity with the song. Be sure to listen to the song and know the rhythm, verses, and changes well.

When the player reaches the end of the song and plays it again, you can watch the lyrics appear in the player.



If you are not satisfied with the result, click Reset All in the miniwindow and repeat the process, starting at step 2.

- 9 When you are satisfied with the synchronized music and lyrics, stop the player and choose Save from the File menu.
- 10 In the dialog box that appears, name and save the movie.

A sound movie can be used as one of the media items you add to the interactive multimedia presentation you create with the Music Engine. For more information about the Music Engine, see Chapter 3.

Glossary

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access privileges The ability to see folders, see files, or make changes to a shared disk or folder. Access privileges are granted by the owner of the shared item and are used to determine what other network users can do with the disk or folder and its contents.

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