

User's Guide

MSDict Viewer 7

For Palm OS

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Getting Started

Welcome to MSDict

MSDict is a specially designed dictionary integrator for Palm OS compatible devices. MSDict provides you with the best possible features for a dictionary program, which means fast searches, strong database compression, and stylish and intuitive user-friendly interface.

MSDict works with database files, called *dictionaries*. MSDict allows several dictionaries to be installed at a time.

System Requirements

Palm OS 4.1 or higher.

Installation and Un-installation

Installing MSDict Using a Windows Computer

1. Download MSDict (.exe) file.
2. Double-click the downloaded file to initiate the installation program, which will add the required files for the dictionary bundle that you have selected to the Palm Desktop install tool.

The installation setup will also create a program menu group under the standard Windows start menu, where you can find the User's Guide for MSDict Viewer and the Dictionary database that you use

3. Follow the instructions on your screen and click Finish to complete the installation.
4. Place your Palm device in its cradle, connect to the PC and synchronize to upload the MSDict Viewer and any dictionaries for it on your handheld.

Installing MSDict Using a Macintosh

1. Download MSDict (.zip) into the Add-on folder in your Palm Desktop directory on your computer and expand the .zip file.
2. Double-click the HotSync Manager icon in the Palm folder.
3. From the HotSync menu, choose Install Handheld Files.

4. From the User pop-up menu, select your user name.
5. Click Add to List.
6. Select the Add-on folder from the pop-up menu.
7. Select MSDict.prc, DeviceLib.prc, MSDict Hack.prc and all files with .pdb file extensions, which are the dictionary databases for MSDict Viewer.
8. Click Add File to add MSDict to the Install Handheld Files List.
9. Close the Install Handheld Files window.
10. Perform a HotSync operation to install MSDict on your Palm.

Uninstalling MSDict Viewer

1. From your Palm's main Application Launcher, tap the Menu button and select Delete from the drop down list.
2. Tap MSDict and then tap Delete.
3. Tap "Yes" to confirm you wish to remove the program. MSDict should no longer appear on your screen.
4. Tap MSDict Hack and then Delete.
5. Tap "Yes" to confirm you wish to remove the program. MSDict Hack should no longer appear on your screen.

Tip: To be able to delete MSDict Hack make sure that MSDict Hack is disabled in the hack manager program on your Palm. To disable it start X-Master, TealMaster, Hack Master or alternative from the main applications launcher and remove the "check" in the box in front MSDict Hack.

Installation of Additional Dictionary Databases for MSDict Viewer

MSDict Viewer allows the use of multiple dictionary databases. If you have a copy of MSDict already installed on your PDA, follow these steps to install additional dictionaries.

1. Download the dictionary database and extract the archive file in a temporary folder on your desktop computer.
2. Double-click the dictionary database file, the one with .pdb extension, to add it to the Palm desktop install tool.
3. Select a Palm user from the owner pop-up menu.
4. Click "Done" and synchronize with your PDA.
5. Start MSDict Viewer form the main applications launcher on your PDA.

6. Tap Menu> Options> Search Dictionaries to start MSDict Search Databases Tool, which will locate the new installed dictionary.
7. Choose option “Everywhere”. MSDict will locate all dictionaries installed on your PDA on both memory stick and RAM memory and will add them to the drop-down list of available databases in the application main screen.

Installation on Memory Sticks

MSDict Viewer supports SD, MMC and memory sticks, which allows you to save valuable RAM space. To be able to start the dictionary viewer through its hack from within other applications on your Palm, install the MSDict Viewer.prc and MSDict Hack.prc as described in section [Installing MSDict](#) and install the dictionary databases on the memory cards.

1. Run the installation setup as described in the Windows installation chapter or add the required files to the Palm Desktop install tool as described in the Mac OS installation, depending on the type of your desktop computer.
2. Before you synchronize with your PDA, open the Palm Desktop Install Tool which is available for Windows usually under Start> Programs>Palm Desktop> Install Tool and for Mac OS under Install Handheld Files in the HotSync menu group.
3. Click **Change Destination**.
4. Select the dictionary databases from the list of files waiting to be installed on the Palm device and click the **Right Arrow** button to move them to the memory card. The right window of the install tool shows the files that will be installed in the main memory of the Palm device and the right one lists files to be uploaded on memory card.
5. Close the Palm Desktop Install Tool and synchronize.

Registration

MSDict Viewer is a downloadable shareware product available for free evaluation period or registration.

To register your copy of MSDict Viewer, order the product at <http://www.mobi-systems.com>. Order confirmation message for your purchase will be sent to the e-mail address specified in the order form shortly.

The purchase confirmation message that is sent by Mobile Systems immediately after your software order contains the license key to register the software.

To enter the Unlock key:

1. Start *MSDict Viewer* and select **Options > Registration** from the main menu.
2. Type the Unlock Key in the space provided or use the virtual keyboard to enter the text.
3. Tap **OK** to confirm the entered key.

Using MSDict

When you start *MSDict Viewer* for the first time, the program will try to automatically locate all installed dictionary databases on your Palm device and make active the first dictionary found.

Word Lists

When a dictionary is opened, MSDict Main View will appear which contains a list of all entries in the dictionary sorted in alphabetical order.

Controls and Navigation

You can move up and down the dictionary items and pages through the buttons in the scroll bar located in the right part of the *Main View*.

Page scrollers

- ⤴ *page up*
- ⤵ *page down*

Item scrollers

- ⤴ *word up*
- ⤵ *word down*



To open a word's article, double tap the word in the Main View word list.

The Main View toolbar provides access to special functions utilizing words searches and the easy navigation in the dictionary.

- search query field

- *search* button

- *filter* button

- *rubber* button

- *appendixes list* button

- *add to wordlist* button

- *split modes* button

Search

To search for a particular word or word form, you simply need to type it into the *search query field* and tap . You can enter your query either by using the MSDict built-in keyboard or by the standard keyboard of your Palm device. The built-in keyboard is turned on and off by tapping the keyboard button on the down horizontal line of the screen.




If you have a word in your clipboard, it will be pasted automatically in the query field of MSDict when it is started.



In case you want to make another search, you can start over by tapping the rubber button, which will empty the current contents of the *search query field*. Alternatively, you can use backspace from the keyboard.



Filtered Queries

In some cases you may need to make a filtered query. There are two different modes of filtering:

- “On tap” filtering - dictionary items are dynamically being filtered to match the already entered letters on every new letter. Thus, you don’t have to type in the whole word you are searching for, but can select it from the filtered words list as soon as it appears in the list.

- Filtering after tapping the  icon – A word or filter condition is specified without dynamic results. A search does not initiate until  is pressed. Tapping the  button executes the query and gives the results accordingly.

For example, if you type “dictio” and tap  you will receive a list of words, beginning with the defined string (e.g. diction, dictionary, etc.). All the other words will be trimmed from the word list. You can also use * as a mask. For example, if you type “dic*ry” and tap  you will get a list of all words in database, the first three letters of which are “dic” and the last two are “ry” (i.e. dictionary).

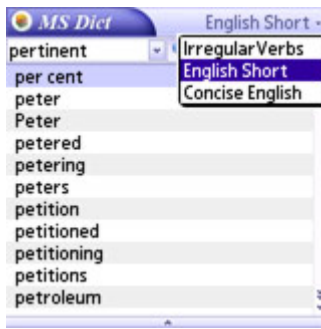
Tip: The filter button can also be used to move to the end or the beginning of a dictionary. To return to the beginning of the currently opened dictionary, clear the contents of the *search query field* with the rubber button  and select the filter icon . On the other hand, query “zz” will forward you to the end of the dictionary.

Changing the Active Dictionary



As previously noted, MSDict Viewer allows several dictionaries to be installed at a time, and they can be switched around according to the needs of the user. This can be done by using the pop-up menu opened through the trigger in the top-right corner of the screen. The pop-up menu lists all installed dictionaries on the handheld device and the only thing you need to do to change the dictionary is to select the one you require.

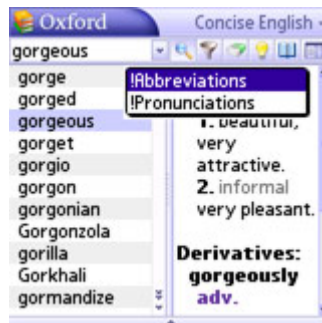
For explanatory purposes, we assume that you have two dictionaries installed: *English Short* and *Irregular verbs*.

To change the active dictionary from *English Short* to *Irregular verbs*, you should open the pop-up menu and select *Irregular verbs* from the list.



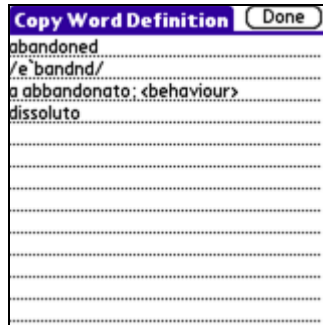
Switching between Dictionary Sections

Some dictionary databases for MSDict Viewer are separated in several dictionary sections. An example of such database is the *Oxford Crossword Dictionary*, where the encyclopedic information is thematically separated. For such dictionaries, additional icon will appear  in the upper part of MSDict Viewer screen. Tapping on this icon, opens pop-up menu through which you can switch between the sections in the current dictionary. In other dictionaries the  icon indicates the availability of help articles or tables for the opened dictionary.




Copy Text to Clipboard

MSDict allows you to copy the definition of selected word to the system clipboard and from there to any third party program. To do that, select word from the word list and then **Options > Copy Word Definition** from the menu. The following form will appear and show you the copied text:





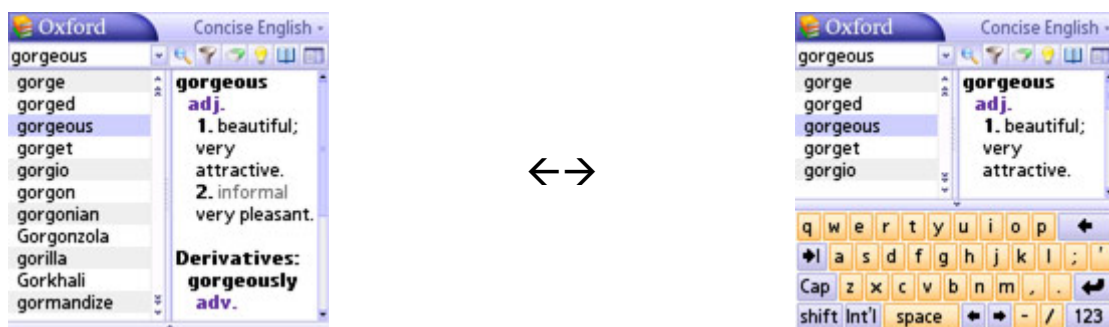
Tap **Done** to close the form. The way you can copy the contents of the clipboard in third party program may vary for the different applications. However, in most programs this can be done by selecting **Paste** from the *Edit menu group*.

Add Word to Word List

MSDict 7 comes with a complimentary learning application called *MSDict Wordbook* that allows you to create and use custom word lists. To add a word to Wordbook, simply open the selected word and then tap the  icon from the toolbar. You should specify existing word list to which the word should be added or create new one in the form that will appear. More details about the learning featured are available in the corresponding chapter of this manual.

Keyboard

MSDict comes with a built-in keyboard utilizing the search and filtering functions which can be turned on and off at any time. To initiate the MSdict keyboard, tap the  button on the down horizontal bar of the screen. Tapping the  button will hide the keyboard and expand the *words list* area on your screen. When a *word article* is opened the keyboard is automatically hidden to expand the visualization area.



To utilize the bilingual dictionaries that MSDict supports, the program comes with built-in virtual keyboards in the following languages:

English

German

Spanish

Italian

French

Dutch


You can change the default keyboard from the **Preferences** option in the *Options menu*.

Changing the Dictionary Interface-Split Modes

A great feature of MSDict is the ability to change the user interface by specifying the dictionary sections to be shown- word list and word article- and the section position. MSDict will split the main window in your preferred style – horizontal, vertical or no splitting.



The different split modes are described in chapter [Split Modes](#). The program offers four different split modes- two horizontal and two vertical. The program also allows you to resize the each of the split windows to a desired size.

To change the split mode, just tap on the  icon on the toolbar until a popup menu appears. Select the desired mode from the menu list.

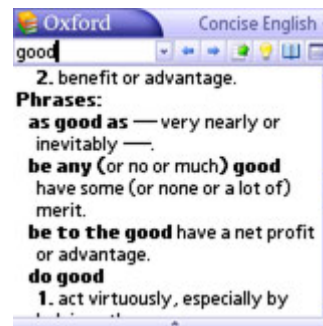
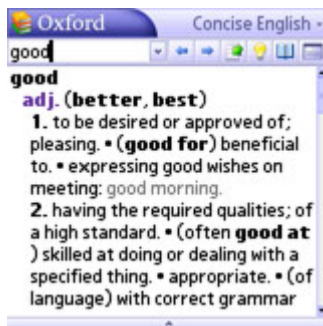
To resize a split window, just tap on the split bar between the two screen sections, hold the stylus and drag in the desired direction.

Word Articles







Visualization of Word Articles

When you select a word entry from the *words list*, or if a word search returns exact match to the word you typed, you will be redirected to the corresponding *word article*, which is visualized in rich text format. Different colors and font styles are used to highlight different objects in an article. The visualization of word article depends on the particular dictionary being used and the structure of its word articles.

Use the scroll-bar at the right side of the screen to move up and down in the word article.



Word Entry Toolbar

- | | |
|---|--|
|  previous button | Moves one word ahead in the <i>history list</i> of visited words. |
|  next button | Returns a word back in the <i>history list</i> of visited words. |
|  list button | Returns to the <i>words list</i> view. |
|  dictionary section button | Opens a pop-up menu allowing you to select a dictionary help section. |
|  add to word list button | Adds the currently opened word to MSDict Wordbok |
|  split button | Opens the split modes pop-up menu and allows you to change the current split mode. |

History Lists

For each work session in MSDict Viewer and for the currently used dictionary, the program will dynamically save the words visited and create history list whose entries can be easily accessed in the session. To view the history list and return to a particular word, tap the trigger next to the search query field. A pop-up menu will appear enumerating the words in the order you have visited them. Select the word from the pop-up menu to re-visualize its article.

Alternatively, you can move back and forward in the history list by using the  and  icons in the *word article toolbar*.

Adding a custom note to an article

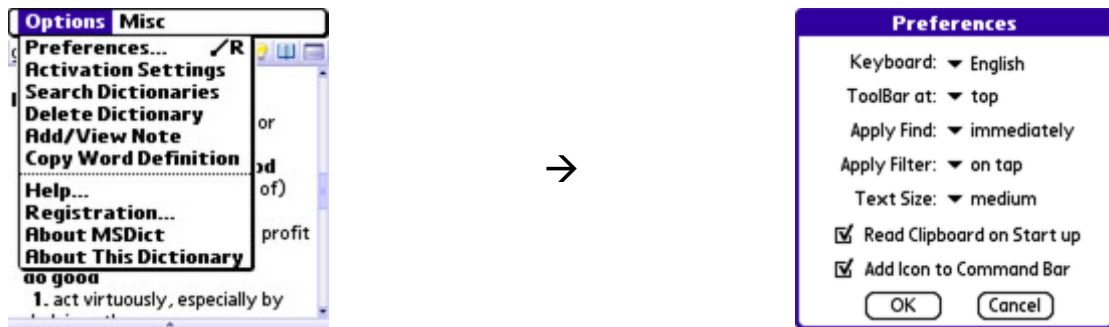
MSDict Viewer allows *custom notes* to be added to word items in the dictionary currently active where you can write down extra information for the word and your own ideas or example usage of the word. To create or edit a *custom note*, open a *word article* and select **Add / View Note** from the *Options menu*. You will see the following screen:




After you have finished typing your custom note, tap **Done** from the top-right corner of the screen to save the information and return to the word's article.

Preferences

MSDict Viewer provides settings which can help you customize some of the application's functionality and interface items. The settings are accessible through **Options > Preferences** in MSDict main menu.



Splitter Mode

Through this option you can specify the splitter mode and position to be used by the program. The splitter mode settings are also accessible through the  icon in both the word article and word list views. To change the splitter mode, simply select the desired option from the pop-up menu for **Splitter Mode** in the *Preferences form*.



No Splitter



Vertical Type I



Horizontal Type I



Vertical Type II



Horizontal Type II

Setting the Toolbar at the Top or Bottom of the Screen

The first item in the **Preferences** form allows you to change the position of the toolbars in *word list* and *word article* views. The toolbar can be positioned at the top or at the bottom part of the working area.

TOP




BOTTOM




By default the toolbar is located in top position. To move its place, open the **Preferences** screen; Open the pop-up menu for **Toolbar at** and selecting the desired position from the list.

Find Preferences

The **Apply Find** setting determines the way MSDict functions when a word search is being processed. If you select “immediately” from the **Apply Find** drop-down menu, word look-up will be forced during the process of typing a word in via the MSDict *query field*. Selecting the “on tap” option will disable the dynamic word search capability. In order to initiate a word search, you will have to type the whole word in and then select the  button.

Filter Preferences

Similar to the search preferences, in the **Apply Filter** property item you can specify whether the word filtration in MSDict viewer should be done dynamically for each newly entered letter (“immediately” from the pop-up menu), or after filter conditions are typed and the  button is tapped (“on tap” pop-up menu option).

Font Preferences

This setting allows you to choose the font size to be used for *word lists* and for the visualization of the *word articles*. However, all three different options (“smaller”, “medium” and “larger”) are supported only by Palm devices with high-resolution screen support (like the Sony Clie devices, the new Palm Tungsten series, and some Handera Palm devices). All other devices will not be able to show any difference between the “smaller” and “medium” setting. To change the font size to be used by MSDict Viewer, open the pop-up menu for **Text Size** field in the MSDict Preferences form and select the desired font size from the list.

Read Clipboard on Start-up

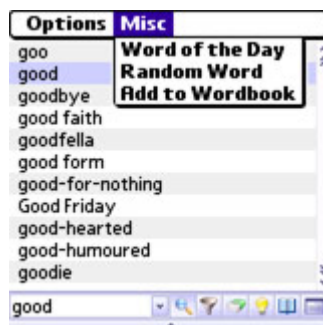
When you perform a *Copy* command in any Palm OS application, the copied text is placed in the built-in system clipboard. The **Read Clipboard on Start-up** setting in MSDict will force the program to read the clipboard’s contents and transfer the text to the *search query field*. Thus, you can copy words from third party Palm programs and check their meanings.

To enable the clipboard read support open the MSDict **Preferences** form and enable the check box for **Read Clipboard on Start up** option.

Misc Menu Group

The **Misc** menu group is designed to stimulate the new words learning process. The **Misc** submenu can be called through the standard “Menu” button of your Palm device and contains the following items:

- Word of the day - a random word, taken from the dictionary, which is updated daily in this section. No matter how many times you tap on this menu item, you will get the same word until the new day comes.
- Random word - word randomly picked up from the currently active dictionary
- Add to Wordbook – adds the currently selected word to MSDict Wordbook learning tool. A form will open allowing you to select word list to which you wish to add the word.



Dictionary Administration

MSDict has been designed to automatically detect the location of any dictionary databases on your Palm device, whether or not it is on the device itself or on a memory card. Initially this process could take some time to complete, but once the databases are located you don't have to search them again unless a new dictionary is installed.

Adding Dictionary Databases to MSDict Viewer

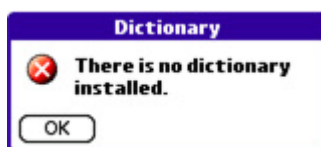
The search for dictionary databases will be forced automatically when you start MSDict for the first time. The program will try to find all the available dictionaries on your Palm devices and will put them into the popup *Dictionary List* at the upper-right corner of your MSDict application screen. You are then given the opportunity to specify which locations will be searched for dictionaries when you start MSDict Viewer for the first time. You will get the following screen:



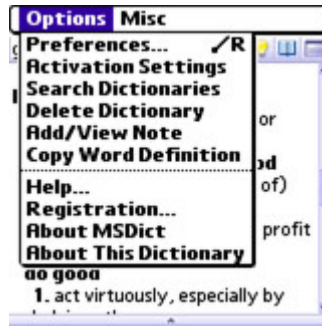
- *RAM* – The search is enforced only within the internal memory of your Palm device.
- *Dir* – This will search in the “\PALM\PROGRAMS\MSDict” directory of all installed memory cards. Placing the dictionaries in this directory is recommended, if you decide to save databases on a memory card.
- *Everywhere* – Searches all directories of the main PDA memory and all additionally installed memory cards. This operation usually takes several minutes if used with a large memory card.

Note: If you tap the “Dir” button, this also includes a RAM search. If you tap the “Everywhere” button, the procedure includes RAM search and “\PALM\PROGRAMS\MSDict” directory search.

In case the program does not find any dictionaries, you will get the following message and you will need to check if you have installed the necessary *.pdb* files.



If you install a new dictionary and it does not appear in the *Dictionary List*, you may force a manual search for dictionaries by using the “**Search Dictionaries**” procedure, available in your “**Options**” menu.



The dictionary search form will appear whose options have been already explained. To be sure that the newly installed databases will be located, use the *Everywhere option* to make the program search for new dictionaries in the full directory structures of both the main memory of the handheld device and the inserted memory cards, if any.

To minimize occurrences of any problems, please be sure that your MSDict (msdict.prc) is placed into internal memory of your Palm device. It should not be moved as this could cause the program to not work properly.

Removing Dictionary Databases

To delete a dictionary database from the MSDict Viewer:

1. Make the dictionary active by selecting it from the *Dictionaries List* in the upper right corner the working area.
2. Select **Delete Dictionary** from the **Options** menu.

The dictionary will be deleted from the location it is installed and removed from the *Dictionaries List* in MSDict Viewer.

Troubleshooting

If you try to activate a dictionary database that you have moved, deleted, or have unplugged the memory card that it used to be installed on, you will get the following *alert*:



The buttons on the screen will perform the following actions:

- OK – The dictionary, which could not be found, will stay in the *Dictionary List* and it will be available for later use. Use this option, in case you have the dictionary on memory card that is not currently inserted in the handheld device.
- Search – The program will try to locate the missing dictionary in case it has been moved. If you receive a screen reporting that no dictionary was found after the search, this is probably because you have deleted it. In order to use the dictionary database again you will have to install the necessary *.pdb* file.
- Remove – Removes the missing dictionary from the Dictionary List. Use this button if you have deleted a dictionary and do not want to use it anymore.

MSDict Activation from within Third Party Palm Programs

MSDict hack allows you to start the MSDict Viewer with the last activated dictionary database from within other applications on your Palm and check the meanings of words without the need to close the program you are working in and lose the current information.

Enabling the MSDict Activation from Third Party Programs

Activation on Devices with Palm OS Older than OS 5

The activation of MSDict Viewer from within third party Palm applications is handled by an additional small program - MSDict Hack, which is installed during the MSDict installation. To be able to use MSDict Hack, you need to have a hack-managing program installed beforehand. In the installation packet of MSDict viewer we have included a free hack manager called X-Master. Alternative programs such as HackMaster and TealMaster are also compatible with MSDict Hack.

Note: For Palm OS 5 or higher running Palm devices, the MSDict main program comes with an integrated hack manager and does not require the installation of any third party hacks managing program or MSDict hack.

To start and enable MSDict Hack:

1. From the Palm's Main Applications Launcher start X-Master, HackMaster, TealMaster or an alternative hack-managing program.
2. Enable **MSDict Hack** check box to enable the dictionary hack program.



MSDict Hack Activation on Palm OS 5 PDA's

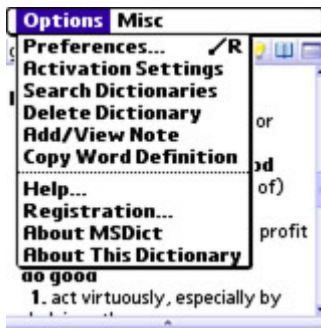
MSDict Viewer is optimized for the requirements of Palm OS 5 and is designed to detect the Palm OS version and automatically switch to *OS 5 Mode*. In *Palm OS 5 mode* the program works independently from its hack and can be activated from within other applications on your Palm device without MSDict Hack or other third party hacks managing program.

During the installation of MSDict Viewer, specify the type of your Palm device so the installation setup loads only program components needed on your type of handheld devices.

To enable *MSDict hack* and be able to activate the program from within third party Palm programs:

1. Start *MSDict Viewer* from the main applications launcher on your PDA.
2. Tap **Menu > Options > Activation Settings**.

Note: The Activation Settings option is available only on Palm OS 5 devices. MSDict Viewer detects the Palm OS version of your PDA and shows or hides the settings depending on the OS version.



3. The *Activation Settings Form* will appear where you can configure *MSDict Viewer* activation.
4. Enable the checkbox for the **Active** option.
5. Click **OK** to confirm the *Activation Settings*.

MSDict Hack Preferences

Shortcut Buttons for the MSDict Hack Activation

The multiple options for the activation of MSDict Viewer allow you to customize the program's behavior, according to your personal preferences and prevents from conflicts with other applications on your handheld device that use hack activation from the graffiti area.

MSDict hack can be configured to activate the MSDict program through:

- ◆ The **Find** button on the graffiti area
- ◆ The **Calculator** button on the graffiti area
- ◆ **123** corner of the graffiti area
- ◆ **abc** corner on the graffiti area

To select a shortcut stroke for the MSDict activation:

1. Go to X-Master (HackMaster or TealMaster) from the main applications launcher on your PDA.
2. Select MSDict hack and tap Configure.

3. Choose the preferred button for the hack activation from the drop-down list for Tap on:

On Palm OS 5 or later devices, the settings form is accessible through **Menu > Options > Activation Settings**.

Tap Count

You can choose between two options for the **MSDict** activation from within third party programs through its Hack. In the **MSDict Hack options screen** or in the **Activation Settings form**, for Palm OS 5 handhelds use the drop-down menu to select single or double tap for the program activation. To launch **MSDict** by a single tap on the chosen shortcut button, select “single”. Respectively, if you want to launch **MSDict** by a double-tap on the button, select “double” from the drop-down menu. When you are ready, tap **OK** to confirm the changes you have made or tap **Cancel** to abort the operation.

Activation Modes

Simple View allows you to return immediately at the same point of the application that you requested the word look-up from. However it does not provide you with all MSDict options. It launches a limited version of the dictionary reader.

All Features redirects you to MSDict standalone application and lets you use all of its features. However, there is not an opportunity to return to the program you started MSDict from and you will have to start it manually.



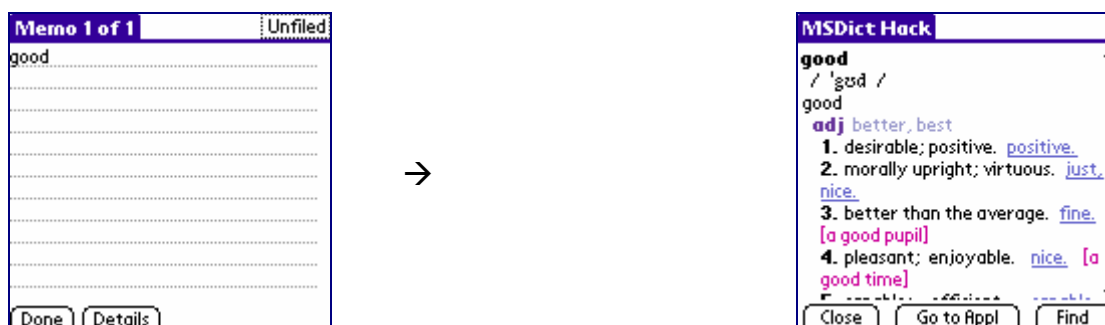
MSDict Viewer Activation

MSDict Hack gives you the opportunity to search for a particular word in the currently active dictionary in MSdict Viewer from almost any third party application on your Palm device. MSdict will start automatically and show the word article for the word you specified, if it can be found in the active dictionary database. If the word you requested is not in an active dictionary, a notification screen will appear.

To start MSdict from almost any third party program and check word meanings:

1. Make sure MSdict Hack or the Activation checkbox is enabled. For more details, refer to [Enabling the MSdict Activation from Third Party Programs](#).
2. Open MSdict Viewer just once from the *main applications launcher* on the handheld and select an active dictionary. If no dictionary is selected, the MSdict program will not start.
3. Position the cursor on a word in an edit field, MSdict gets it and tries to find it in the dictionary database.

If you are not in an edit field, starting MSdict through the Hack gets the clipboard contents and tries to search for it in its database. This is handy when the Hack is used with document readers that do not use a standard edit field, and if you are only able to select and copy a particular word to the clipboard. All you have to do is tap over the word you want to search for or copy it to the clipboard, and then use the FIND button of your Palm device (single-tap or double-tap, according to your settings).

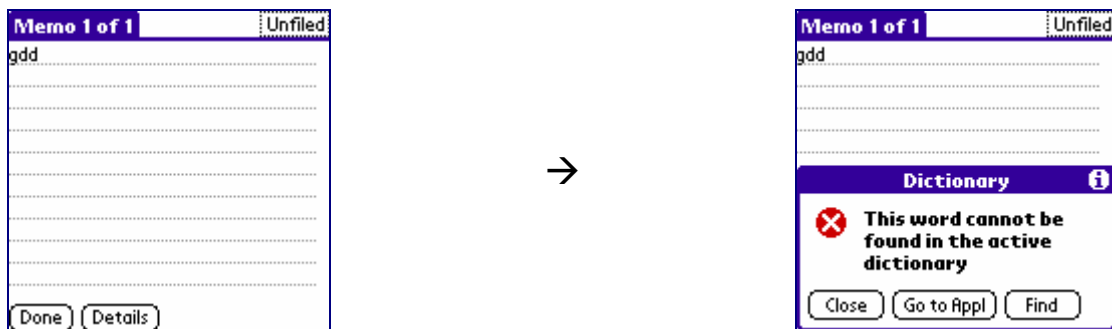


You can use the buttons as shown on second screenshot to perform different actions:

- Close – closes the MSdict Hack and returns you to the current application (MemoPad in our case).

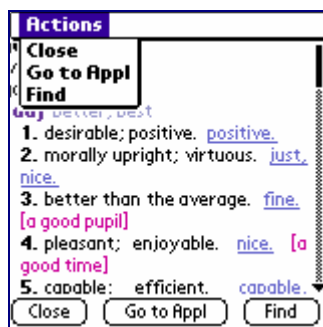
- Go to Appl – closes your current application and launches MSDict.
- Find – gives you the chance to use the standard FIND function (as the FIND button of the Palm device is occupied by MSDict Hack).

In case the word you requested could not be found in the active dictionary you will observe the following behavior:



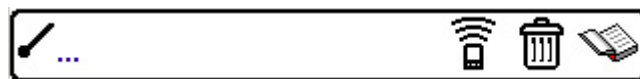
Buttons usage is the same as described above.

By tapping the standard “Menu” button of your Palm device, you can execute the same actions without using the buttons described above.



Command Bar Activation

MSDict can be also activated from within third party programs through its icon in the command bar. To evoke a command bar, just make a command stroke on the graffiti area of your Palm device. For details how to evoke command bar on your type of Palm device please refer to the user’s guide for your PDA.



To be able to activate MSDict through the command bar, this option has to be enabled in the MSDict Preferences dialogue.

Hi-Resolution Support

To meet the requirements of the new hi-resolution devices MSDict Viewer is enhanced to work in 320x320 hi-resolution mode and offers an additional functionality to expand the standard working area to 480x320 hi-res screen. The extended screen overlaps the graffiti area on the Palm device allowing you to use the MSDict integrated keyboard, show more of the words lists, or word articles.

To switch between 320x320 and 480x320 work areas use the **Down Arrow** on the graffiti area or the **Up Arrow** on the graffiti tool bar on your Sony Clie device.

The dictionary viewer is also designed to work in 480x320 landscape mode. Check the specifications of your Palm device to find out how to switch between the portrait and landscape modes.

MSDict Wordbook – How to use learning features?

MSDict Wordbook is the learning module of the MSDict main program and allows you to create and view custom word lists in the same way as if you are using a paper wordbook. Moreover, you can use all dictionaries supported by MSDict in your learning process.

Starting MobiSystems Wordbook

You can start MSDict Wordbook by tapping on its icon in the main application launcher on your Pam device.

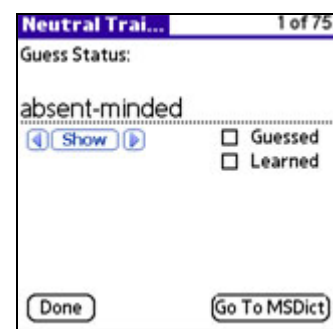
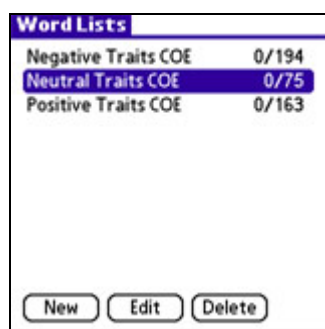


Wordbook


When you start MSDict Wordbook for the first time, the program will import sample word lists included in the installation.



How to Learn Words with MSDict Wordbook?

When the program is started, the main Wordbook screen will appear which contains all word lists available for the moment. To open a selected word list, simply tap on its name.. Alternatively, you can open a word list from **Menu > Word List > Learn**.



The word learning screen is divided into three sections: Guess Status, Word and Word definition. In addition there are two check boxes - “Guessed” and “Learned” and a

navigation bar  allowing you to move between the different words and view word definitions.

- *Guess Status* – Through this feature you can monitor the guesses you make for each unknown word by checking the Guessed checkbox. After you have checked the checkbox for a particular word you can view the definition of the word to determine whether your guess was correct. If you guess the word correctly there is a smiling face 😊 displayed by default. If the guess is incorrect you can remove the checkmark from the Guessed checkbox and the face will turn to a sad face 😞. You can try to guess the meaning of one word up to ten times.
- *Word and Word definition* - Each word list contains words and their definitions. You can browse through the list by tapping on the   arrows. By tapping on the *Show* or *Hide* button below a word you can choose to view or hide the definition of a word while learning it
- The “*Guessed*” and “*Learned*” checkboxes allow you to mark each word as learned or guessed during the learning process. This feature aids in determining the words you need to work on more diligently. The program allows you to select to study only the words which have not been marked as “Learned”. Also you can customize a wordlist to show the guessed words in ascending or descending order. Read more about this in the *Preferences* section.

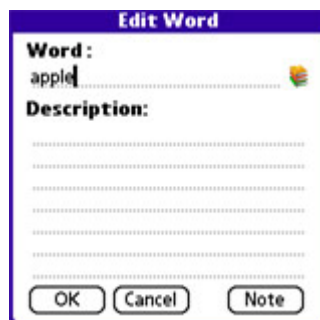
If you are not sure about the word which you are studying you can check it’s meaning from the MSDict dictionary by tapping on the “*Go to MSDict*” button in the bottom right corner of the screen.





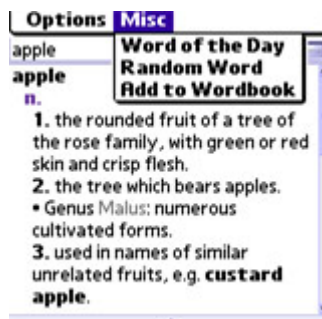
Creating and Editing Word Lists

To create a new word list:


1. Start Wordbook from the main application launcher on the Palm device.
2. Tap on **Menu>Word List >New**. Enter the name of the word list in the *New Word list* screen and tap **Ok**.
3. Select the newly created word list and tap on **Edit**.
4. In the *New List* screen tap on **Add** to start adding the words to the list.



5. In the **Edit Word** screen you can type in a word and enter its definition. You can also add word definitions from the MSDict by tapping on the  icon. The MSDict Viewer will open with the last used dictionary database. To add the meaning of the word to Wordbook, go to the word in the MSDict and tap the  icon. Alternatively, select **Menu> Misc > Add to Wordbook**.



6. The dictionary definition of the word will be added to the Wordbook and you will be redirected back to Wordbook.
7. To Exit a word list tap on *Done*.

You can also add word to arbitrary word list while you are in MSDict Viewer. In the same way that was already described open the definition of the word that you want to add and then tap the  icon. The following form will appear that will allow you to select a word list to which you want to add the word.



Choose the word list and tap **Add**. In the *Add Word* screen you can create new word lists to save a word in by tapping on the **New** button.

Wordbook Preferences

Wordbook provides settings which can help you customize some of the application's functionality and interface items. The settings are accessible through **Menu > Options > Preferences**.



- **Show Learned Words**

The first item in the **Preferences** form is the *Show Learned Words* option. When you are working with a word list you can mark a word which is “Learned” by checking the checkbox next to *Learned* in the word screen. If you enable the *Show Learned Words* option from the Preferences screen the word list will display all words including the once marked as “Learned”. If the option is not enabled then the word list will display only words which you have not marked as “Learned”.

- **Show Random Words**

If you wish to display your words in random order you can enable this option and the word order in the word list will be changed.

- **Repeat Word List**

The program allows you to repeat the word list from the beginning if you enable the *Repeat Word List* option.

- **Show/Hide**

In the word list screen you can choose to *Show* or *Hide* the definitions of the words while you are learning them. From the pop-up list you can choose to **Always Hide** or **Always Show** the definitions of the words. Alternatively, you can set the *Show/Hide* option to **Last State** which preserves the *Show/Hide* option you have used for the previous word in the word list. For example, if you have chose the show the definition of the word “carrot” the definition of the next word “broccoli” will be displayed.

- **Sort By**

The program allows you to sort the words in a word list *Alphabetically*, through *Guess Status* or through *Creation Time*.

If you choose to sort the words *Alphabetically* they will be displayed in alphabetical order in the word list.

If you choose to sort the words by *Guess Status* they can be displayed in ascending or descending order depending on the number of successful guesses per word and the Sort Order which you choose. For example, if the Sort Order has been set to Ascending and there are three words in the list the Guess Status will display the words which you have most successfully guessed first and vice versa.

You can also sort words by the time which you have created them through the Creation Time sorting option.

The sort settings are not applied when “Show Random Words” is enabled.

- **Sort Order**

You can choose to sort words in a word list in Ascending or Descending order. The sort settings are not applied when “Show Random Words” is enabled.

- **Guesses**

This option allows you to choose the number of guesses you can have for the words. You can choose to have up to ten guesses per word.