

Welcome to TextMaker! You have purchased a word processor that combines user-friendliness with powerful features at a highly affordable price! TextMaker will enable you to complete your writing tasks quickly and easily.

**Note:** This manual was written in order to describe how to use the program via the new **ribbon user interface**. A description of its use via **classic menus with toolbars** can only be found in older manuals.

**Tip:** A table in the appendix shows you which ribbon command corresponds to which menu command:  
[Ribbon commands and corresponding menu commands](#)

**Note:** Some features have been disabled in **SoftMaker FreeOffice** (the free version of SoftMaker Office). Features that are not available in the free version are marked with a red box like this one.

## Some features of TextMaker

- Available for **Windows, Mac, Linux, Android** and **iOS**
- Well-designed, ergonomic **user interface** – either with a modern "ribbon" or classic menus with toolbars
- **Practical document templates** for creating new documents, such as pre-designed letterheads and flyers, in no time
- **Advanced paragraph formatting** such as automatic numbering, bullets, borders, shadows and patterns
- **Paragraph and character styles** that enable you to apply your favorite formatting to text at the touch of a button
- **Desktop publishing (DTP) features** such as "master pages", drop caps, small caps, kerning, adjustable character spacing and pitch
- **Embedding of pictures** in numerous file formats, extensive **drawing functions**, **TextArt** module for font effects
- **Document scanning** – scanning via WIA is also supported in addition to TWAIN
- **Powerful table functions**, including computational functions
- **File manager** with search functions (not included in SoftMaker FreeOffice)
- **Tables of contents and indexes, footnotes, outline view** (outliner, not included in SoftMaker FreeOffice)
- **Excellent spell check and hyphenation, large thesaurus** (not included in SoftMaker FreeOffice)
- **Integrated address book (database)**

... and much more!

TextMaker is being developed continually. If, when working, you discover the need for a feature that is not yet available, or if you have any other suggestions, please contact us as we want TextMaker to meet the needs of users!

## Additional features in SoftMaker Office Professional and NX Universal

Available only for **Windows**, **Mac** and **Linux**:

The even more powerful **SoftMaker Office Professional** and **SoftMaker Office NX Universal** include an advanced version of TextMaker which offers the following additional features:

- **Duden Korrektor** from Dudenverlag (spell check, hyphenation, **grammar check**)
- Original **Duden dictionaries** for looking up terms: **Das deutsche Universalwörterbuch** (The German Universal Dictionary) and **Das große Fremdwörterbuch** (The Large Foreign Dictionary)
- **Research function** – for looking up selected terms directly on online platforms

## Android version and iOS version

TextMaker is also available for Android and iOS devices and contains practically all features of the Windows version.