

Re: Replacing highlighted text by typing – a problem

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- *From:* "Charles Kenyon" <wordfaq@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
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This is a known change and I think it was a mistake. But there may be reasons for it that I know nothing about. It is not confined to your system. It is built into the software.

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Charles Kenyon

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"Henley writer" <Henleywriter@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message <news:27F54CB7-9148-4DB9-A258-2FCB2EA00D67@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

Thanks for your very fast reply!

Sorry I haven't acknowledged it earlier; I thought I had clicked "notify me of replies", and so I was under the impression no one had replied! I just checked the site again today.

In your reply, do you mean that this is a known bug, or that someone somehow changed a setting which has affected only my own Word settings? Sorry to come back to this point when there is probably no solution to it.

Thanks for any help you can give on this.

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"Charles Kenyon" wrote:

Sorry. There is no such option. The people who made this change messed up (although they may have other reasons I know nothing about for having done it).

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<news:FD83F8B1-8AC9-414C-AC40-8778C88477BB@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

When I highlight a word (I using Word 2003) and then type to replace that word with something else, it should be possible to redo that operation by highlighting another word and pressing control Y. Recently I have found that Word regards this as two separate operations: I highlight the word I want to replace and the first letter I type in replaces it; the rest of the word I type in is a separate operation. This means that when I press control Y to do the same thing again somewhere else, I get the new word minus the first letter.

This is also apparent by looking at the drop-down list of

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"last
actions":
the replacement of the word by one letter is an action and
then the
typing
of
the rest of the word is the next action.

Since I use control Y a lot this is a real pain! What option do
I need
to
re-set to make the "highlight and type" a single operation?
Any help
would
be
very gratefully received. Thank you very much in advance.