

Re: Word 2007 Appearance

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Hi Cindy,

Thank you very much for your response, I appreciate it. Guess I'm a bit disappointed in things as I've used Word for so long. I know I'm just one person out of millions out there, but as a writer; I can't adjust to the color scheme. Just too bright for me over the course of a long day (even with adjustments I've tried to make to my monitor). I question if the developers (who I'm sure are very talented) considered writers (someone who uses Word 8 or more hours a day) in their work. In any event, its my fault. I put all my efforts into learning and documenting internal software applications at my employer (which is my jobs) without consideration to Word. In other words, I just used Word, accepted the minor changes over the years, and ultimately took it for granted. Never thought a change like this would happen.

Thanks again,

Paul

"Cindy M." wrote:

Hi =?Utf-8?B?dG9uZ2xv?=?,

1. Does anyone know if Microsoft will, eventually, provide users of Word 2007 the option of displaying their buttons, menus, etc. in the "Windows Classic Style?" If so, will users be allowed to change their color scheme to "Windows Standard" too?

I'm fairly certain things won't be going back to menus and toolbars. The Ribbon is going to be around for a few years. No idea whether they're planning to add additional color schemes. From the 2007 beta I know they went from two to three color schemes, so I suppose it's possible... At this point, I really don't think anyone (outside top people in the Office UI team) has any idea.

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2. If the answer is no to the above questions, will the classic toolbar toggle and classic menu add-ons let users change the appearance to the "Windows Classic Style" and "Windows Standard?"

I think I may be able to adjust to things if I can change from the limited Blue, Gray, and Black color options (especially when I'm looking at Word eight hours a day).

TEchnically, something like that would be difficult, if not impossible, to achieve. The color schemes are hard-coded into the Office applications. I happen to know the person who programmed toolbar toggle. He's pretty good at getting into the guts of things. You could try the Contact link on that site and ask?

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