

## Re: A form for inserting items into a document

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Some of them are possible with a UserForm

See the article "How to create a Userform" at:

<http://word.mvps.org/FAQs/Userforms/CreateAUserForm.htm>

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Hope this helps

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"Vincent Boris Arnold" <[anonymous@discussions.microsoft.com](mailto:anonymous@discussions.microsoft.com)> wrote in message [news:509a01c42c75\\$9ef7c410\\$a101280a@phx.gbl...](mailto:news:509a01c42c75$9ef7c410$a101280a@phx.gbl...)

> I've got an idea for a form and I'd like to know whether  
> these characteristics are possible.

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> This form would be used to add items to a Word document  
> being used for documentation. The form would have controls  
> that could be clicked on to add certain text to the  
> document. For example, if the form had a "History" button,  
> the user could click on that button and a subroutine would  
> add the title "History" to the document in the appropriate  
> place with a pre-defined style, then position the cursor  
> below that heading line so the user could type appropriate  
> historical text. Once "History" has been added to the  
> document, its control would be grayed out so another  
> History section could not be added.

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> Some sections of the document may have sub-sections. So,  
> for instance, the History section mentioned above may have  
> sub-sections that may occur multiple times. The form would  
> have a control that would allow one of these occurrences  
> to be added at the appropriate place with the appropriate  
> style. The control may additionally present a dialog box  
> prompting for information that must be present in the sub-  
> section (e.g., the date, the responsible party, etc.).  
> These entered values would then be transferred by the  
> macro to the document.

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> Some other characteristics I'd like for this form are:  
> - Positioning the form in a fixed position. For example,  
> the document window and the form window would be tiled in  
> such a way that the document window consumes the left 80%  
> of the screen and the form the right 20% of the screen.  
> The layout of these windows would be taken care of

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> automatically every time the template in which the macro  
> is defined is used.  
> - Having the form "follow" the document as the user  
> scrolls through the document. In other words, the form  
> would be kind of like an outline of all the items that can  
> be inserted into the document, in the desired sequence.  
> Because the number of sections and items in the form would  
> likely not all fit in the form simultaneously, there would  
> be a scroll bar for repositioning the form to correspond  
> to where the user was in the document. What would be ideal  
> is that as the user scrolls down through the pages of the  
> document, the form would automatically be scrolled so that  
> the items on the form correspond to where the user is in  
> the document. The reverse would be true as well: When the  
> user scrolls through the form, the document would  
> automatically be scrolled accordingly.  
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> I know this is a tall order. Are any of these ideas  
> possible?