

ShowText

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ShowText

1.1 ShowText.guide

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1.2 Introduction

ShowText is a little utility which makes it possible to display ASCII files.

This program can only be run under Kickstart v2.04 or higher and uses the locale library if it exists. For the moment, only English and French are available.

1.3 Starting from the Workbench

Once ShowText has been started by clicking twice on its icon, it opens a file requester asking for a text to display. This text is displayed on a screen opened by ShowText.

The following commands can then be used :

```
'2' or 'cursor down'      : Move one line down
'8' or 'cursor up'        : Move one line up
'3' or 'shift + cursor down' : Move one page down
'9' or 'shift + cursor up'  : Move one page up
'7'                          : Goto top of text
'1'                          : Goto end of text
'a'                          : Print all file
'p'                          : Print page
's'                          : Stop printing
'h' or 'Help'              : Display help page
'Esc' or 'q'               : Quit
```

1.4 Starting from the Shell

When ShowText is started from the Shell, the syntax is :

```
ShowText [<text>] [REQ], where :
```

<text> is the name of the ASCII file,

REQ tells ShowText to display a possible error message in a requester and not in the Shell window.

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1.5 Error messages

ShowText can display the following error messages :

```
"Can't open intuition library v37" :
```

The intuition library version 37 (or higher) is not available.
You should use a more recent Kickstart version (at least 2.04).

```
"Can't open dos library v37" :
```

The dos library version 37 (or higher) is not available. You
should use a more recent Kickstart version (at least 2.04).

"Can't open asl library v37" :

The asl library version 37 (or higher) is not available. You should use a more recent Workbench version (at least 2.04).

"Can't open console device" :

There isn't enough memory to open the console device. Try to free some by closing some applications or windows.

"Can't open printer device" :

The printer device cannot be opened because another application is printing now.

"Can't open a screen" :

There isn't enough chip memory to open a screen. Try to close some screens and windows and retry.

"Can't open a window" :

There isn't enough chip memory to open a window. Try to close some screens and windows and retry.

"Out of memory" :

ShowText needs more memory. Try to free some by closing some applications or windows.

"Can't read file" :

The chosen file cannot be read. This might be caused by a non-existent file name, a disk removed too quickly from the drive, a lack of memory, ...

"Error while printing" :

An error occurred while ShowText was printing the text (lack of memory, printer ran out of paper, ...).

1.6 History

08.08.94 : first released version (0.9) of ShowText.

1.7 Copyright

ShowText is a freeware. This means that it is copyright by Jean-Yves Oberlé but it may be freely distributed.

No guarantee of any kind is given that the program is reliable. The

author cannot be made responsible for any damage which is caused by the use of his program.

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