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What can this program do for me ?

Maybe you know this problem: You just got a plain textfile from the Internet (e.g. a UseNet document), an e-mail message, a program documentation or another formatted textfile. Now you maybe want to place this text into your word processor. In most cases, the result is a mess, because almost all of this files contain a linefeed after each line. This makes it impossible for a text program to auto-wrap the text into it`s own linewidth. Now you maybe can start to delete this linefeeds by hand, but if, for example, the size of your file is about 200 kilobytes, this is really (!) going to be a lot of work.

This program converts such texts within seconds, no matter if they are DOS-, MAC- or UNIX-files. It replaces the linefeeds of any formatted textfile with blanks. **Up to this, it is able to detect, process and maintain most methods of layout in such files**.
In addition, Remove allows you to convert text files **between** DOS-, MAC- and UNIX-systems.

Especially if you are often using the Internet services, this program can save you a lot of work.

Layout Conversion

The primary task of this option is to replace the annoying linefeeds at the end of each line of formatted textfiles. There are several programs that will do just the same. You could even use a good word processing system like *Word* or *WordPerfect* to get the same result.
One of the main advantages of Remove is, that **it takes care of the layout** of your source file, because it is able to seperate wanted from unwanted linefeeds. This works with most of the common textfiles. Up to this, it is really fast. In fact, to convert a textfile of 1 MB (which would be a very large book) you`ll only need around 10 seconds, depending on the system you use. This is even faster than most word processors are able to save the same file.
For more information, please skip to the <u>description of available options</u>.

<u>Important :</u> The routine for converting layouts already fully supports MAC- and UNIX-based texts. That means, that you ***don`t*** have to convert such files to DOS before converting their layout.

Format Conversion

If you want to use textfiles of different formats on your machine, or if you intend to use your text documents on different systems, or even if you want to send or receive some files of this kind via Internet or some other networks, you maybe have to convert them first.
Remove allows you to convert plain texts between the three most popular systems today: DOS, UNIX and Macintosh. Just choose *Format Conversion* from the *File* menu.
For more information, please skip to the description of available options.

Important : The routine for converting layouts already fully supports UNIX-based texts. That means, that you ***don`t*** have to convert such files to DOS before converting their layout.

Description of available options

1. Options for <u>converting layouts</u> :

There are three options you can enable or disable by choosing *Layout Conversion Options* from the *Options* menu.
If *Maintain Layout* is set disabled, **all** linefeeds of the source file will be replaced with blanks. If it is activated, the program will try to detect and maintain the layout of the source file by excluding some of the linefeeds from beeing removed. That means, that empty lines and paragraphs starting with either a blank or a tabstop will be preserved. (Note: There will always be some textfiles, that may not look exactly as you want, but watching the whole thing on a screen and analyzing it byte-by-byte are two different things !)
By default, the program will replace sequences of multiple blanks with only one blank. If this bothers you, you should disable the *Cut Multiple Blanks* option.
If you don`t want the tabstops of the source file to be converted to blanks, just enable *Don`t Convert Tabstops*.

2. Options for <u>converting formats</u> :

You can convert a textfile between UNIX and DOS or Macintosh and DOS. Just enable one of the two possible options in the *Format Conversion Options* dialog box.
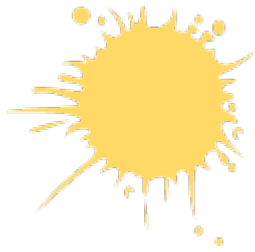(For example, if you want to convert a Macintosh textfile for the use with a MS-DOS-related system, you have to choose DOS and MAC, as well if you want to convert a DOS-file to the MAC-format.) The program will automatically detect the format of the file you specify as source file. After that, this text will be converted to the other format.

<u>Important :</u> If you just want to <u>convert the layout</u> of a textfile, you **don`t** have to convert it first.

Credits

Greetings and hellos go to MCP (thank you !), Major Tom, Mario, Basti and, of course, to Thomas as well as to all the other guys around.
I also want to thank everybody who contacted me after I posted and uploaded the very first public version of this cool program. I wouldn`t have continued working on it if you haven`t inspired me that much (especially Susan, Larry, Bob, Jake and ---).

Watch out for `View`, our smashing vector graphics viewer (incredibly fast, support for very exotic filetypes ...) !   We (MCP and myself) are doing our very best to finish it as soon as possible.

If you like this program (or if you don`t) or if you have any suggestions or comments, please do not hestitate to contact me. You can reach me via e-mail at:

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Major Tom maintains one of the world`s greatest collections of pictures of Cindy Crawford containing hundreds of great images ...
If you are interested in a trade, please don`t waste time and contact him at :

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(Or just use my adress ...)

Yes, this could be you mentioned here !!

This program, as well as the DOS-version also included in this package, is **Freeware**. That means, that as long as you **keep all related files together, don`t charge a fee for distribution and don`t modify it in any way**, you may distribute it freely !   Well, I even want you to give it to as many of your friends as you want. I`d also appreciate if you would upload it to your local BBS soon ...