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The Minimize Button and the Minimize Command from the System Menu behave somewhat differently than on other Windows Applications.

**Additional Information:**

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## Choices Menu Commands

The **Choices** menu provides for setting times and colors, setting window size and position, selecting quotation categories, selecting the "hide_mode", and exiting **Pundit**.

Categories  Set the quotation category.
Settings    Set times, colors, size and position.
NoShow      Set the "hide mode"
Exit        Exit **Pundit**

## Exit

Exits Pundit.   The currently set "hide mode" and Category choices will be saved.

# Edit Menu Commands

**Copy**

The Copy command copies the text of the quotation into the clipboard.

**Additional Information:**

Copying Text

## Help Menu Commands

The commands on the Help Menu provide Help and information about Pundit.

**Index**        Starts Windows Help at the Index to this help file.
**Using Help**   Starts Windows Help, providing help on the Help system itself.
**About Pundit**        Displays a dialog box providing information about Pundit.

## Choosing the "hide mode"

You may choose the manner in which the Pundit window "goes away".   There are two choices:

Choosing "Hide" will cause the window to be "hidden", which means that the window disappears completely when inactive. If this method is chosen, the window may not be restored until the time out time has expired, and Pundit will not appear on the Task List when the window is inactive.

Choosing "Iconize" will cause the window to be displayed as an Icon when inactive.   If this method is chosen, Pundit may be "restored" (made active) at any time.

**Additional Information:**

Hiding/Restoring the Window

## Copying Text to the Clipboard

The Copy command copies the text of the quotation into the clipboard.   This command in invoked by selecting "Copy" from the "Edit" menu.   The Ctrl+Ins key combination may also be used for this.

## Hiding and Restoring the Window

At any time that the Pundit window is active, it may be "hidden" (made inactive) by clicking on the Minimize Button {graphic} or by selecting Minimize from the System Menu.   The window will either vanish or become an Icon depending on your choice of "hide mode".   The time out timer will then begin counting, and the window will remain "hidden" until the timer runs out or until it is manually restored.

If the window is inactive and has been made into an Icon, it may be activated by selecting "Restore" from the System Menu.   Note that if the "hide mode" is set to "Hide", this option is not available.

**Additional Information:**

Choosing the "hide mode"

## Selecting a Category

One of the following five categories may be chosen by selecting "Category" from the "Choices" menu:

       Quotes
       Laws
       Snigs
       Misc
       Random

Once a Category is chosen, Pundit will continue with that Category until another is chosen, "remembering" that Category after exiting.

## The Settings Dialog

The settings dialog box is chosen from the **Choices** menu.   Here you may set the times, colors, size and position of the window.


**Additional Information:**

   Setting Colors and Times
   Setting Window Size and Position

## Setting Colors and Times

Colors and times may be set by choosing "Settings..." from the "Choices" menu.   This will display a dialog box that allows you to set
> Time In
> Time Out
> Foreground Color
> Background Color

Pressing the **OK** button on this Dialog Box will make the current settings take effect, but **will not** save them.   You must press the **Save Settings** button to save the current settings.

## Setting Window Size and Position

If you have moved or resized the window, since last saving the settings, a message window will pop up and ask you if you wish to save the current window size and position.   Answer this question by pressing either the **Yes** or the **No** button on the message window.

**Hide Mode**

Determines if the Pundit window is hidden or iconized when not active.

**Time In**

The amount of time, in seconds, that the Pundit window is displayed.

**Time Out**

The amount of time, in seconds that the Pundit window is hidden (or iconized).

**Foreground Color**
**Background Color**

The colors used to display text in the Pundit window.   Foreground color is the color of the text.   Background color is the color of the window.

**Quotes**

Quotations by various people.

**Laws**

Laws of life (such as **Murphy's Law**)

**Snigs**

Sniglets   Definitions of made-up words.   The snigs here are extracted from ***More Sniglets by Rich Hall & Friends***. (Copyright ©1985 by Macmillan Publishing Company)   There are several books in the Sniglets series, all very entertaining.

**Misc**

Various "sayings" that have found their way to me.

**Random**

Pundit will pick a quote from one of the **Quotes**, **Laws**, **Snigs**, or **Misc** categories

**Ctrl+Ins**

A shortcut for the Copy command.   Hold the **Ctrl** key down, and press the **Ins** key.