READ ME — Text File I/O external tool Canvas for Windows, version 3.52

The Text File I/O external tool allows Canvas to open any file, up to 128K in size, as a Text file.

When the Text File I/O external tool is active, the Text (ASCII) Format option is available in the Open dialog box. The Text File I/O external tool's DOS filename is TXT.CVT.

The Text File I/O external tool is compatible with version 3.51 or later of Canvas for Windows.

Opening Text files

To open Text files in Canvas:

1. From the File menu, choose Open.

The Open dialog box appears.

2. Choose Text (ASCII) Format from the List Files of Type box.

Files with the extension .TXT appear in the file list.

3. Select the file you want to open and choose the OK button.

Canvas displays the text with Arial 12-point type, plain style, left justification, single spacing, and normal kerning.

- For files that are 13K and under, Canvas displays a single, 6.5-inch-wide text object.
- For files larger than 13K, Canvas displays multiple flowing text objects that are each 13K in size and 6.5 inches wide. Canvas groups the text objects and arranges them horizontally, increasing the drawing size as necessary to accommodate them.

If you try to open a file that any other Canvas import filter cannot read, an alert message will indicate that the file is not an RTF file. Choose the OK button and Canvas will open the file as a Text file.

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## Placing Text files

You can also use the Place command to import Text files into Canvas. For best results, click the Place pointer when you place the text in Canvas. If you want to adjust the text object's margins, drag a selection handle.

If you drag the Place pointer, the text will scale as follows: the height of the text object will be defined by your drag and the width of the text object will scale proportionately. For example, if your original text object is 6.5-by-20 inches, and you drag to place it in a 10-by-10 inch area, the text object will be scaled to 3.25-by-10 inches. Refer to your Canvas for Windows manuals for information on using the Place command

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