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SMARTBook 4 for Windows  
Electronic Publishing / Presentation / Simple Multimedia Authoring System  
Fully functional 30 Day Evaluation Version 1.0

This is a fully functional 30 day evaluation version of the SMARTBook 4 for Windows Authoring System. What this means is that once installed, you are able to use and evaluate fully the SMARTBook 4 software without any part of the system being crippled or disabled. If you like the product and its potential and would like more information on suppliers and pricing we can be contacted via:

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If you would like to pass this 30 day demonstration version of SMARTBook 4 to any interested colleagues or friends please feel free to do so.

If you have downloaded this file prior to downloading the SMARTBook 4 for Windows 30 day evaluation version, you may need the following information.

Files to Download:

This file - SB4\_DOC.ZIP (SB4\_DOC.WRI, SB4\_DOC.DOC & SB4\_DOC.ASC)  
Program Files - SB4DISK1.ZIP (1.37 MB) & SB4DISK2.ZIP (1.35 MB)

Setup and Installation:

Floppy disk - Unzip each file and copy the contents of each to a 1.44 3.5" floppy disk.. From Program Manager or File manager go - File - Run and type A:\ or B:\ SETUP.EXE and follow the instructions on the screen.

Hard Disk - Create a directory of your choice on your hard disk and unzip each of the 2 files you have downloaded. From Program Manager or File Manager go - File - Run and in the dialogue box type in the path and name of the directory that SB4DISK1.ZIP and SB4DISK2.ZIP were unzipped to and SETUP.EXE and then click Ok.

What is SMARTBook 4

SMARTBook 4 allows the author to quickly and easily produce Electronic Documents, Presentations, Brochures, Product Catalogues, Computer Based Training modules, and simple Multimedia titles for the Windows PC market.

SMARTBooks can be broken down into Chapters, SubChapters and Pages which are visually presented on the screen for easy navigation and manipulation. Clicking on a page allows you to create and edit the page exactly as your target audience will see it.

Compiling and Previewing your SMARTBook is as easy as clicking on a button. When you

are ready to distribute your SMARTBook, the SMARTBook 4 Authoring System will automatically compile your work for you, based upon your inputs via simple dialogue, a simple and powerful Setup and Installation program will be created that your audience will use to install your work to his / her PC.

## Features

Supports most standard graphics formats including - GIF, PCX, BMP, TIF, TGA, WMF, etc. Full control of images on each page including the ability to have large images in a scrolling window that will allow the user to “pan” the image.

If image size is a major concern, SMARTBook supports the latest in Fractally Compressed 24 bit graphic images (Iterated Systems FIF format) that can reduce 24 bit graphic files to sizes greatly smaller than the original. SMARTBook 4 is the only product on the market at this time that supports the very latest in FIF technology.

Supports WAV sound files.

Copy and paste text from Windows Clip board from your WP package or enter your text directly onto the page with full formatting features available. Text can also be place in a scrolling window with Hypertext or Hypermedia links if you so wish. Any font you use with your publication is embedded at compilation time ready for distribution to your audience.

Icon based Visual Programming that allows you control and flexibility of your publication. Any object on the page - Buttons, Images, Image Arrays, Hot Areas, Hot Words, Hypertext, and Hypermedia - can be defined, controlled and manipulated using the Visual Programming commands. User Defined Commands allows you to create your own commands by combining the provided Visual Programming commands to create powerful interactivity on each page.

For simple on-screen graphics, a range of drawing tools are available while authoring each page.

Buttons can be defined and placed anywhere on the page. Buttons properties are controlled totally by the author which include - button color, button size & type, button text & text color, button animations, and Visual Programming commands totally under the control of the author. Even create bitmap buttons if you so desire.

Getting your publication ready for distribution is as simple as clicking on an icon.

Compiles all Chapters, Pages, Images, Text, Sound into a single distributable file. Special palette optimization for pages with multiple images or image arrays are created and included in the compiled book.

Via a simple and easy to understand dialogue box, a Setup and Installation program is created that allows your audience to install the publication on their own computer.

Distribute your SMARTBook on floppy disk or any other media you choose for greater flexibility.

## Development and Future Release Schedule

Free upgrade to SMARTBook 4 version 1.1 for current registered users of version 1.0.

New features and functions for release version 1.1. (March 1995)

- Text indices with text searching available in the SMARTBook Reader.
- Simple and easy to use menu bar creation module. Create popup menus for buttons.
- Create hidden child windows for any page with full editorial control over size, layout and contents.
- Improved / enhanced user interface for authoring.
- SMARTBook Reader enhanced for speed and size.
- Improvements to palette optimization, and for 16 color display improved dithering control.
- Greater user control for special or customized palettes insuring best image quality.
- Enhanced drawing tools
- AVI format support
- Enhanced page background control including bitmap tiling.
- New Visual Programming commands
- More flexible Setup and Installation options for distributable SMARTBooks.
- Improved navigation controls for distributable SMARTBooks

### System Specifications

SMARTBook 4 Authoring System (recommended)

- 486/33 DX or higher processor
- 8 MB of RAM
- 6 MB of hard disk space for setup and installation
- SVGA Graphics card supporting 256 colors at 640 by 480 screen resolution
- Windows 3.1 or higher
- MS-DOS 5.0 or higher
- 3.5" Floppy disk drive
- 15" Color Monitor

SMARTBook 4 Run-Time Module (recommended)

- 386 DX or higher processor
- Enough hard disk space to store the distributed SMARTBook files
- 4 MB (8MB recommended for optimal speed)
- SVGA Graphics card supporting 256 colors at 640 by 480 screen resolution
- Windows 3.1 or higher
- MS-DOS 5.0 or higher
- 3.5" Floppy disk drive
- 14" Color Monitor

Options: To convert / compress your 24 bit True Color Images (TGA or BMP format) you will need to contact Iterated Systems Inc. (Norcross, GA USA) or a local supplier who carries

the range of software and hardware needed for FIF image compression. SMARTBook 4 for Windows supports FIF images compressed using the following products - Hi-Res 2.xx or lower & the FTC-II compression board, ColorBox (DOS and Windows) and ColorBox Pro, Images Inc. 4.0 or earlier, and images compressed using the FTC-III compression acceleration board.

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We welcome any and all comments, likes, dislikes and suggestions about SMARTBook 4 for Windows as we are committed to developing products based upon user feedback and support.

Again, thank you for taking the time and money to download the SMARTBook 4 30 day evaluation version and we look forward to hearing from you.

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