

Chapter 25

Select Menu

The Select menu provides access to Diagram!'s capabilities for selecting. From the Select panel, you can select entire categories of symbols, lines or points on the basis of shape. With the Select All command, you can select everything in a document.

Select Panel

This command brings up the Select panel, which is used to select various combinations of symbols, points and lines. Especially useful in large documents, it aims at eliminating the tedious process of selecting a large group of items by Shift-clicking. Please note that the Select panel highlights entire categories, not individual items. For example, if you choose lines on the Select panel, all of the lines in your document will be highlighted.

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The Select panel allows you to select groups of symbols, points and lines on the basis of shape.

The upper section of the panel contains a well that displays an assortment of icons. These icons represent all of the possible items that you can select in Diagram!: symbols, lines, points, groups, and free-standing text.

Choose any combination of items from the list by Shift-clicking. When you have selected an item, it becomes gray and its background becomes white. To deselect an item in the panel, just click it again.

Click the Select button to perform the selection. Please note that doing so clears any previous selections you had in your drawing.

Clicking the Deselect button deselects the indicated items in your drawing.

Select (A)

Choosing the Select command has the same effect as clicking the Select button on the Select panel. This command is intended to facilitate access to the Select panel, so that once you've indicated your custom selections, you can put them into operation without raising the Select panel each time.

If no selections are entered on the Select panel, choosing Select clears the current document of all highlighting.

Select All (a)

The Select All command highlights every item in the currently selected drawing or palette. If you're working in Text mode, this command just selects the entire block of text that you're editing; it doesn't select any other symbols, points or lines in the document.

