

## **MoreText**

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## Chapter 1

# MoreText

### 1.1 MoreText 0.45 Documentation

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MoreText 0.45
Text / AmigaGuide viewer
by Tero Oinas

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### 1.2 What is MoreText?

MoreText is a powerful, yet easy to use text / AmigaGuide viewer. It uses standard IO, so it's ideal for BBS usage. Of course it works fine on shell too.

Viewing of AmigaGuides is very easy : use TAB to move to the next link and RETURN to jump to a new node. Link jumps can be naturally retraced. Also INDEX node is supported.

MoreText supports XPK system (crypting algorithms too) with both texts and AmigaGuides.

Other features include fast search and line jump routines etc...

### 1.3 Copyright and other legal stuff

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## 1.4 How to install MoreText?

Installation of MoreText is very simple.

Just copy MoreText executable to some directory in your path, and copy MoreText.guide to HELP:English directory so you can use online help.

## 1.5 How to use MoreText?

Some information concerning the usage of MoreText.

NOTE: MoreText requires Kickstart 2.0 (V36) or greater to work.

Command line arguments

Keyboard commands

## 1.6 Command line parameters

MoreText has following command line template:

FILE/A, LINES/N, COLUMNS/N, ALTCOLOR/S, STARTNODE/K, NOFILELINKS/S, QUERYCON/S, ALTCURSOR/S

FILE : Name of the file to view.  
This is the only parameter required to get MoreText running.

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**LINES** : Number of lines to use. (Default is 24)

**COLUMNS** : Number of columns to use. (Default is 80)

**ALTCOLOR** : With this option on, MoreText uses different ANSI codes which makes it more suitable for CLI usage.

**STARTNODE** : With this argument you can specify starting AmigaGuide node, which will be used instead of "main" node. Home (7) key will also jump to this node.

**NOFILELINKS** : This option is for SysOps that do not want BBS users to use AmigaGuide links to view other files or guides and thus possibly violate the protection system provided by BBS software.

**QUERYCON** : When this option is on, every time display is redrawn MoreText queries console handler for number of lines and columns to use. Not all console handlers support querying.

If **LINES** and/or **COLUMNS** arguments are specified, **QUERYCON** option is ignored.

**ALTCURSOR** : When this option is on, cursor keys have different actions when viewing AmigaGuides:

**CURSOR DOWN** and **CURSOR RIGHT** = Find next link  
**CURSOR UP** and **CURSOR LEFT** = Find previous link

## 1.7 Keyboard commands

Description of MoreText's keyboard commands.  
Press Q to quit reading help.

<b>CURSOR UP, 8</b>	<b>SCROLL ONE LINE UP</b>
<b>CURSOR DOWN, 2</b>	<b>SCROLL ONE LINE DOWN</b>
<b>9, BACKSPACE</b>	<b>JUMP ONE PAGE UP</b>
<b>3, SPACE</b>	<b>JUMP ONE PAGE DOWN</b>
<b>CURSOR LEFT, 4</b>	<b>SCROLL ONE PAGE UP</b>
<b>CURSOR RIGHT, 6</b>	<b>SCROLL ONE PAGE DOWN</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>GO TO THE START OF TEXT</b>
	Goes to the first line of text or to main node if you are viewing AmigaGuides.
<b>1</b>	<b>GO TO THE END OF TEXT</b>

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s , /                   SEARCH FOR A STRING IN TEXT

You will be prompted for a string to search.  
The search is always case-insensitive and  
starts from the line after current line.

n                        SEARCH FOR NEXT OCCURRENCE

This is exactly same as previous command,  
except that it uses previously given  
search string.

j                        JUMP TO LINE

You will be prompted for a line number to jump to.

- , u                   RETRACE

With this key, you can "undo" your searches, line  
jumps and link jumps. You will return to a position  
you were before (including links to other files).

Currently you can "undo" up to 32 jumps in one file,  
and unlimited jumps to other files.

r                        REDRAW SCREEN

If for some reason, the display is messed up  
you can issue full redraw with this key.

q                        QUIT CURRENT

Quit reading current document. If this was  
the last document, MoreText quits completely.

Q                        QUIT ALL

Quits MoreText completely, regardless of  
how many documents you have in memory.

h                        DISPLAY SHORT LIST OF COMMANDS

H                        DISPLAY THIS HELP TEXT

AmigaGuide control keys. These keys are only usable when viewing AmigaGuides.

a                        TOGGLE BETWEEN NORMAL / AMIGAGUIDE MODE

If for some reason you want AmigaGuide to be  
displayed as normal text, use this key.  
Returning back to the AmigaGuide mode is also  
achieved with the same key.

TAB                     FIND NEXT LINK

Scan for next link in current node. If link

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is found it will be highlighted.

p

FIND PREVIOUS LINK

Same as TAB key, except that the search will commence backwards.

RETURN

USE CURRENT LINK

With this key you can jump to the location pointed by highlighted link.

i

JUMP TO INDEX NODE

If index node is available in the guide you are reading, the program will jump there. Naturally jump to index node can be retraced.

## 1.8 How to contact me?

Send all bug reports, comments, suggestions etc to:

toinas@freenet.hut.fi

or

toinas@freeport.uwasa.fi

Flames >NIL:

## 1.9 Thanks!

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## 1.10 Version History

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Version 0.45 - AmigaGuide links to other guides and texts are supported.  
Also added NOFILELINKS command line option.

Lines wider than the display are clipped off.  
COLUMNS command line option added.

Search command locates the search string also from outside  
the current AmigaGuide node.

Searches and line jumps are now also retraceable.  
Because of this, retrace buffer has been increased to 32.

Added code for querying console height and width  
(QUERYCON option.)

Improved input reading routine. Added ALTCURSOR option.

Lots of small fixes and additions mainly to the  
AmigaGuide parser.

Version 0.35 - Better on-line help system.

STARTNODE command line option.

Added more intelligence to few functions dealing  
with AmigaGuide control codes (nodes, links etc...)

Added standard version string.

Some little changes and fixes.

Version 0.30 - Made better node searching routine because old one  
had some serious flaws (some guides were unreadable etc.)

Uses better method for changing console handler's mode  
(old one didn't work on some systems.)

Better ANSI system (ALTCOLOR option for CLI usage etc...)

Version 0.28 - Supports AmigaGuide text style control codes.

Active link is now displayed in different color  
(instead of boldface) to make it more visible.

Some little cosmetic changes.

Version 0.27 - First public release.

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