

About this Screen Saver

The purpose of this tab of the configuration dialog is to inform you of the version of the Screen Saver you have installed on your computer. If you were to report of a problem with the Screen Saver, it is always a good idea to mention the version you have. Also, knowing the version of the Screen Saver can save you some time, since since you won't have to download the same version of the program again.

In addition, by clicking on the button named 'Navigate to MomSoft home page' you can direct your browser to our web site to get the latest version of the Screen Saver, or to take a look at the other software offerings we have.

Note: the changing colors square has no real purpose, but it sure looks nice!.

Answers Settings

This tab of the Configuration Dialog is where you select the appearance of the Answers of the Jokes presented on the Screen Saver.

Experiment with the various settings until you get exactly the combination of font, size, color, bold and italic styles until you get the settings that best work on your screen. Keep in mind that both the Question and the Answer must fit the available space.

If you want a nice 3D effect, check the 3D box.

Contacting MomSoft



In addition to Jokes Screen Saver MomSoft has a growing collection of utilities. We specialize in making these "everyday" tools that help to make our lives easier.

The best way of contacting MomSoft is to visit our web page, press the button on the About page of the configuration dialog to start your browser and go to MomSoft home page. If this doesn't work, you should type in our Web page address to get there. The address is:

<http://momsoft.pair.com>

You may also contact us by e-mail using the following Internet e-mail address:

momsoft@pair.com

That email can be used to report problems, suggest enhancements, arrange donations ... (just about anything you can think of). We really enjoy getting feedback from our users, and most of the time we even answer back (in fact we answer to every message we receive which does not contain flames or unsolicited advertising).

If you prefer the old-fashioned way, you can contact MomSoft by snail mail:

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Disclaimer and Agreement

Users of MomSoft Jokes Screen Saver must accept this disclaimer of warranty: "MomSoft Jokes Screen Saver is supplied as is. The author disclaims all warranties, expressed or implied, including, without limitation, the warranties of merchantability and of fitness for any purpose. The author assumes no liability for damages, direct or consequential, which may result from the use of MomSoft Jokes Screen Saver."

MomSoft Jokes Screen Saver is a "freeware program" and is provided at no charge to the user. Feel free to share it with your friends, but please do not give it away altered or as part of another system.

Anyone distributing MomSoft Jokes Screen Saver for any kind of remuneration must first contact Manuel Oñate for authorization. This authorization will be automatically granted to distributors recognized by the (ASP) as adhering to its guidelines for shareware distributors, and such distributors may begin offering MomSoft Jokes Screen Saver immediately (However Manuel Oñate must still be advised so that the distributor can be kept up-to-date with the latest version of MomSoft Jokes Screen Saver).

How to Get More Jokes

It's easy.

Just go to the MomSoft page at <http://momsoft.pair.com>.

There you'll see the Jokes Screen Saver link which will take you to the Screen Saver page where you can find out how to get new Joke files. While you are there, you might want to see if there is a new and improved version of the program.

Don't you wish everything else in life was that easy?

How to configure your color settings

The Jokes Screen Saver will not show properly in 256 color mode. It requires at least 16 bit colors (equivalent to 65,535 colors). Most of today's computer systems are able to support this color mode or higher (true color), but for some reason new systems are, by default, configured to work in the old 256 color mode.

To set up your system to display the maximum number of colors, proceed as follows:

- 1) Open the Control Panel
- 2) Open the Display applet
- 3) Go to the Settings tab (usually this is the last tab)
- 4) Select the highest color mode your system will support with your current screen resolution. The allowed combination of screen resolution and color mode is determined by the installed video RAM memory.
- 5) Press the Accept button
- 6) If prompted to do so, reboot your computer.

Then the Screen Saver will work correctly and you won't experience the annoying 'color shuffle' effect of the 256 color mode.

How to make your own Joke Files

It is probably easier to pick up new files from our repository (see [How to Get More Jokes](#)), but some of you may want to make your own. Read the following carefully and you will learn how to do it.

Starting Out

To make your own text file, use your favorite word processor, and follow the 'rules' listed below according to the type of file you want to make. Be sure to save your new file with a .txt extension. For example, save your new file as: MYJOKES.TXT.

Important Note: Since many people use Word as their word processor, be sure to not let it fool you. Word always gives you a default .doc extension. You have to be careful to tell it to save the file with a .txt extension, and if it again asks whether you want to save it in Word format or Text Only format, be sure to tell it you want the Text Only format. Other word processors may do something similar, so be careful.

Kinds of .txt files

There are three kinds of files you can use with the Screen Saver:

- 1) Single Line files. That means one-liners as opposed to
- 2) Question and Answer files, which consist of two different lines, and
- 3) Multiple Line files where you can put in text in any form you want. This would be useful for a joke or logo of 4 or 5 lines.

Now, with your word processor you can do the following:

Making Single Line files

Note: For each line, the Screen Saver will use the Description as the Question and the text of the file as the Answer.

The format is the following. You must copy it exactly, except in the places where you enter your own information:

```
.....  
[Header]  
Format=Single  
Description=put in your own name for the file here  
[Data]  
your first one-liner goes here  
your second one-liner goes here  
your third one-liner goes here  
; this is a comment and will not be shown on the screen. Notice that it begins with a semi-  
colon ;  
.....
```

etc.

Making Question and Answer files

Note: If any joke lacks an A: field, the Screen Saver will use the default field, if present in the logo files. If no default is used, the Screen Saver will use the default text as entered in the first page of the Configuration Dialog..

The format is the following. You must copy it exactly, except in the places where you enter your own information:

```
.....  
[Header]
```

```
Format=Q&A
Description=put in your own name for the file here
Default=put some text in here you would like to see in case the rest of the file cannot be read
[Data]
Q: write the 'question'
A: write the 'answer'
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```
Q: write the 'question'
A: write the 'answer'
```

this line is a comment and will be ignored by the Screen Saver because it doesn't begin with Q:
or A: It won't be shown on the screen.

.....
etc.

Notice that we have left a space between the two 'jokes'. You can leave spaces between the complete Q:
A: section for greater legibility if you want.

Making Multiple Line files

<p><i>Note: If this format is used, the Screen Saver will use Description of the file as the Question and the text in the file as the Answer for each Joke</i></p>

The format is the following. You must copy it exactly, except in the places where you enter your own information:

```
.....
[Header]
Format=ML
Description=put in your own name for the file here
[Data]
<Start>
You can put in whatever you want.
Here's another line.
And one more.
<End>
this line is a comment and won't show on the screen because it's not between<Start> and <End>
<Start>
Here's a second 'joke', just so you get the idea.
You can put in whatever you want.
Here's another line.
And one more.
<End>
.....
```

If you are unsure of any of what we have explained here, the best thing to do is load one of the .txt files that came with the the Screen Saver, see how we've done it and then copy that.

Installing and Uninstalling the Screen Saver

Installing the Screen Saver

You may have received the Screen Saver in one of two possible forms:

- 1) In a single executable file, usually named MOMJSS.EXE. In this case you should execute the program and follow the directions.
- 2) In a compressed archive, usually named MOMJSS.ZIP . In this case you should uncompress the archive to a temporary directory and execute the file SETUP.EXE which is included in the archive. Once the installation has finished you may delete the temporary directory and its contents.

Uninstalling the Screen Saver

When you install the Screen Saver the following things happen:

- | A folder is created and the Joke files included with the Screen Saver are copied there.
- | Two files are copied to your windows folder (the screen saver itself and this help file).
- | The Registry is modified to include a new section and the required information to perform the Uninstall is added.

To completely undo all these changes, recover all disk space used, and revert your system to the state prior to installing it you should execute the uninstallation routine that was installed on your system. To access it:

Open the Control Panel and the Add/Remove Programs applet.

Select MomSoft Jokes in the Install/Uninstall tab and click on the Add/Remove button

It is a good idea to select 'Automatic Uninstallation' to ensure that the Screen Saver is completely removed from your system, including all its files and directories and registry settings. Once the uninstallation routine is finished there will no trace of the Screen Saver on your computer.

It's free

The Screen Saver is for free! Pass it on to you relatives and friends, even to your mother-in-law (if you have one) or the Queen of Sheeba (if you have her address). If your mother-in-law is like mine, you will probably prefer to give it to the Queen of Sheeba.

What's the Catch?

No catch, the program really is free. Then why would we spend days and nights, months and years in the arduous task of making such a fine program?

The answer is quite simple: we'd like you to stop by the MomSoft website [Contacting MomSoft](#) to see our offering of other fine programs. You might even stop by our friends' site at Braser Soft [Programs to Learn Spanish or English](#) to see their offering.

Aside from that, do as you see fit with it, and be sure to contact us if you have any questions.

[Contacting MomSoft](#)

Joke File Selection

This tab is used to select the file to use, the default question and answer and the randomization of Joke files.

Select the Joke file to use

Select one of the Joke files presented on the list. If no joke files are listed, the folder used by the Screen Saver is probably not the one which contains the files. Click on the 'Browse' button to open a dialog which will enable you to select the correct folder where the joke files are located.

Select the default question and answer

If there is a problem with the file you selected, the default question and answer will be shown when you use the program. Please reread this section should this happen to correct the problem.

Do you want to change the joke file automatically?

The jokes are great, but if you see the same ones time after time, you'll probably get tired of them. You can tell the Screen Saver to use a different joke file after a certain number of jokes have been presented. For example, tell it to change the file after 15 jokes, and it will automatically use a different file.

What does this mean in reality? It means that if you go to have a cup of coffee, your computer all on its own will start showing (for example) the light bulb jokes. If you have a long coffee break, it will be showing (for example) the bumper sticker jokes when you come back. And don't forget that you can always [pick up new joke files](#) from our Web site.

Since Joke files have an extension of TXT which is used by other programs, we recommend that you keep all your Joke files in a folder in which no other text files are present.

MomShell

MomShell is a program launcher for Windows 95. It does everything that the Start Menu does, but in a better way:

- | Improved appearance with easier and more intuitive everyday usage
- | A monitor window to keep track of: date, time, CPU load, free system resources (yes, Windows 95 still has them!), swap file usage and free disk space, number of threads and tasks running on your computer. On laptops compatible with APM it will also show the percentage of battery charge remaining. All the information you need about your system in a convenient place!
- | Alarms showing low conditions of the parameters described above. Know your system is unstable before it's too late!
- | Complete control over how a program is to be run, including initial size of the program window (normal, maximized or minimized), extra settings such as hide the program or place it on top of other programs, program priority (give your important task higher priority), change the default icon of your applications (use your own icons or select one from the icon library included with MomShell)
- | History of the last 16 programs run, which can be launched again with just two mouse clicks.
- | Easy import of your current Start Menu folders and new ones created by installation programs. You may import one folder at a time (on the registered version only)
- | The tray menu: An easy and convenient way of accessing MomShell advanced functions, such as the Desktop and Control Panel, Selection of the default Windows Printer, etc.
- | Configurable number of program buttons (18 to 40 buttons on each page). Unlimited number of program button pages.
- | Upgrade from MomShell 16 and retain all your settings
- | And much, much more...

MomWallpaper

MomWallpaper is a wallpaper randomizer for Windows 95 which has the following features:

- Easy accessibility** You can change your current wallpaper by clicking on a tray icon. Configuring the program is just two clicks away.
- Flexibility:** MomWallpaper does not require that the bitmaps to be used be on your Windows directory. Rather you may select any directory on your hard disk to hold your wallpaper files.
- Two modes of operation:** MomWallpaper can be set to change your wallpaper at random or to change the bitmaps in sequence.
- Automatic Tiling/Centering:** MomWallpaper will tile or center each bitmap on your desktop depending on the size of the bitmap.
- Stretching of bitmaps:** Microsoft Plus includes the option to stretch bitmaps that do not fit on the desktop. If you don't own it you can have this same effect with MomWallpaper.
- Bitmap Explorer:** MomWallpaper integrated bitmap explorer lets you preview the bitmaps that will be used as your desktop wallpaper and perform various file operations with them. This feature by itself surpasses many bitmap processing utilities that are being sold as stand-alone programs.

Programs to Learn Spanish or English

Braser Soft

Now what in the heck do our programs have to do with MomLogo? Answer: nothing directly related. We are just the guys who wrote this Help file, and we happen to be friends of the MomSoft people. You'll find short descriptions of our programs further below.

If you want to contact us, do one of the following:

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Webpage:

You can download the Shareware versions of our programs here:

<http://ourworld.compuserve.com/homepages/gbb/>

SnailMail:

GB Blanchard
Aptdo. de Correos 555
29680 Estepona, Málaga
Spain

Tel. / Fax:

(your code for Spain) 5-279-3791

The following contains very short descriptions of our programs. Please go to our Website for more information:

Spanish Helper

Spanish Helper is an aid to allow you to learn Spanish in a minimum amount of time. The Spanish Helper programs are divided into three levels which correspond to 1) Beginning, 2) Intermediate, and 3) Advanced, and are designed to run perfectly on Windows 3.1 and Windows 95 platforms. The programs' interactive quizzing system allows you to learn vocabulary rapidly. Contains a large database of vocabulary allowing you to form your own quiz lists, as well as an on-line grammar help program. Its design makes it the perfect program for individuals or schools.

Spanish Helper for Business

Spanish Helper for Business is a program designed for those who have learned or are learning Spanish and need to concentrate on Business Spanish. The interactive quizzing system allows you to learn rapidly using either the contents of its own large database of vocabulary, or by using lists that you compose in order to quiz yourself. The complete registered version contains over 9.000 words and phrases.

Inglés-Inglés

English: Inglés-Inglés is designed to help Spanish speakers learn English. The programs are divided into three levels which correspond to 1) Beginning, 2) Intermediate, and 3) Advanced, and are designed to run perfectly on Windows 3.1 and Windows 95 platforms.

The programs' strategy is based on vocabulary-building exercises. You can use the programs' own large data base to test yourself either in multiple choice or fill-in the blank question format. Although the vocabulary included in the programs is probably sufficient for anyone who wants to learn Spanish, one of the best features of the programs is that users can create their own word lists and test themselves.

Español: Los programas de Ingles-Ingles se dividen en tres niveles que corresponden a los de 1) Principiante, 2) Intermedio, 3) Avanzado. Estan disenados para funcionar con Windows 3.1 y Windows 95.

Su estrategia principal se basa en el aprendizaje de vocabulario. El usuario contesta preguntas o en formato tipo test (varias respuestas posibles) o rellenar el espacio. El vocabulario ya incluido en el programa es muy extenso, pero el usuario puede crear sus propias listas de vocabulario para examinarse.

Léalo

English: Léalo is a complete course in Windows .hlp format which will enable Spanish speakers to read English texts with the aid of a dictionary. Explanations, examples, and exercises with keys.

Español: Léalo es un curso completo en formato .hlp de Windows para aprender a leer ingles con la ayuda de un diccionario. Explicaciones, ejemplos y ejercicios con clave.

Questions Settings

This tab of the Configuration Dialog is where you select the appearance of the Questions of the Jokes presented on the Screen Saver.

Experiment with the various settings until you get exactly the combination of font, size, color, bold and italic styles until you get the settings that best work on your screen. Keep in mind that both the Question and the Answer must fit the available space.

If you want a nice 3D effect, check the 3D box.

Read this first

In August 1997 we released MomLogo, a free shutdown logos randomizer which used Jokes to replace the standard shutdown logos.

The program was an immediate success but we started to get suggestions. By far, the most popular one was: *"we like your jokes very much, but we don't want to wait until shutdown to get your logos"*.

The obvious solution was to make an Screen Saver which used the same Joke files as MomLogo, and so we did. The result is MomSoft Jokes Screen Saver. We hope you'll enjoy it as much as we enjoyed making it.

Speed

This tab lets you select the speed of the Screen Saver.

Note: This is not an exact setting. The speed will be determined by the following combination of factors:

- | The bigger the text, the slower it will move upwards.
- | Therefore, on higher resolution modes, the text will take longer to redraw and will be slower.
- | Of course, the speed of your computer and of the graphics subsystem will also play a part.

Word PhoneBook Lite

Word PhoneBook is a Free Add-In for Microsoft Word for Windows. It consists of a database of names, addresses and fax numbers that automates the process of writing letters, faxes and envelopes under Word. The approach is different to other similar utilities in that it uses variables that are defined in your Word templates, in the places you want the data to be inserted.

- » Using Word Phone Book is very easy. Simply insert on your Word templates for fax, letter, envelope, memo, etc the Word PhoneBook variables, such as <Name>, <Header>, etc.
- » Enter the address information in Word PhoneBook database (just the first time you need it), or import it from your existing database of names (in the Professional version only).
- » Filling the address information of your documents is now just three clicks away.
- » In the Professional version you get also: Mail Merge data document creation, up to eight user defined fields and no limits in the size of the database.
- » Using the program is very easy. It has an extensive help, and balloon like hints are shown on top of every control showing you how to use the program.
- » The integration with Word is perfect. You set from within the program the toolbar buttons and keyboard shortcuts you want to use to launch Word PhoneBook.

Get the Lite version for Free. If you find that you need the advanced features, order the professional version for just \$25.

There are versions available for Word 6, Word 95 and Word 97.

