Release notes

SMART Notebook™ software 10.8 for Windows® and Mac computers

About these release notes

These release notes document changes in SMART Notebook™ collaborative learning software 10.8 for Windows® operating systems and Mac OS X operating system software.

Product information

SMART Notebook software provides the tools to create and deliver engaging, interactive learning experiences across grades, subjects and learning styles. SMART Notebook software 10.8 is powerful, intuitive and easy to use.

SMART Notebook software 10.8 summary

About this release

SMART Notebook software 10.8 introduces several new features and enhancements.

Windows operating systems

Component	Version	Date (if applicable)
SMART Notebook software	10.8.364.0	June 23, 2011
Gallery Setup	2.0.26.1	
Language Setup	2.3.59.0	
SMART Product Update (SPU)	5.0.108.0	

Mac OS X operating system software

Component	Version	Date (if applicable)
SMART Notebook software	10.8.228.0	July 21, 2011
Gallery Setup	1.2.71.0	
SPU	5.0.69.0	

Computer requirements

Windows operating systems
- Pentium® 4 processor or better

- 512 MB of RAM (1 GB recommended)

- 299 MB of free hard disk space for SMART Notebook software

- 600 MB of free hard disk space for Gallery Essentials

- 101 MB of free hard disk space for Lesson Activity Toolkit

- Windows XP SP3, Windows Vista® SP2 or Windows 7 operating system

- Adobe® Flash® Player 10 ActiveX® control

- DirectX® technology 8.1 or later for SMART Video Player

- DirectX 9 compatible graphics hardware for Mixed Reality Tools for the SMART Document Camera™

Mac OS X operating system software
- 1.5 GHz Intel® processor or better

- 1 GB of RAM

- 152 MB of free hard disk space (800 MB for full installation)

- Mac OS X 10.5.8 to 10.6.8 operating system software

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  > Mac OS X 10.7 (Lion) operating system software isn't supported (see page 6).

- Adobe Flash Player 10

New features

General

- SMART Notebook software 10.8 enhances the Page Sorter's appearance and usability.

- You can organize pages into groups. Previously, the first page of each group was numbered 1. Now, pages are numbered sequentially across a .notebook file.

- If gray bars appear on the sides of the page in Full Screen view, you can change the zoom level to the page's width to hide them.

- You can browse and download content from the SMART Exchange™ website by clicking the new **SMART Exchange** button.

- You can contribute your own content to the SMART Exchange website through the new **File > Share on SMART Exchange** option.

- You can reduce pictures' file size without noticeably reducing their quality. As a result, your .notebook file sizes will be smaller and the files will open and run more quickly.

- SMART Notebook software 10.8 includes several enhancements to multitouch gesture support:

    - Using multitouch gestures with SMART Notebook Math Tools objects

    - Rotating an object around its corners in addition to around its center

    - Resizing an object on its corners or side in addition to on its center

    - Displaying a message when you're zooming in on or out of a page using multitouch gestures

    - Displaying a message when you're navigating pages using multitouch gestures

- You can clear digital ink objects from a page while retaining all other objects using the new **Edit > Clear Ink from Page** option.

- SMART Notebook software 10.8 introduces an improved SMART Document Camera window.

- SMART Notebook software 10.8 adopts the new SMART Help format, first introduced in SMART Sync™ 2010 software. In addition, a version of the Help is available that you can view on your smart phone or other mobile device.

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- When you import content to a .notebook file using SMART Notebook Document Writer, a dialog box appears, giving you the option to import the content as pictures or as editable objects.

- You can insert 3D models in .notebook files.

- If you have a SMART Document Camera 330 and a mixed reality cube, you can manipulate 3D models in your .notebook files with the cube.

- The SMART Language Setup utility has a new, easier-to-use interface.

- SMART Notebook software 10.8 supports handwriting recognition in the following additional languages:

  - Albanian
  - Basque
  - Catalan
  - Croatian
  - Estonian
  - Gaelic (Ireland)
  - Gaelic (Scotland)
  - Galician
  - Icelandic
  - Latvian
  - Lithuanian

  - Macedonian
  - Malay
  - Maori
  - Romanian
  - Serbian
  - Slovak
  - Slovenian
  - Swahili
  - Ukrainian
  - Welsh

- SMART Notebook software 10.8 returns the NotebookDownloadPlugin for Internet Explorer® Internet browser and introduces a 64-bit version. (This plug-in was previously removed in SMART Notebook software 10.7.) This plug-in monitors clicking of links to .notebook files and displays a dialog box prompting you to either download or open the files in SMART Notebook software. Without this plug-in, Internet Explorer can incorrectly download .notebook files as .zip files.

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- The **Auto-hide** check box allows you to hide the Page Sorter and other tabs when you aren't using them.

- Using Transparent Background mode, you can view the desktop and windows behind the SMART Notebook software window and continue to interact with the open, transparent file.

Resolved issues

General

- Animated GIF images work as expected.

- If you lock an animated object, the object's lock icon and bounding box no longer appear when the object's animation plays.

- If you create a "pull tab" object containing a Gallery item and place it on the left side of the page, the Gallery item displays correctly when you drag the pull tab to the middle of the page.

- If you flip a line object, group it with other objects, and then resize the group, the line object remains flipped.

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- You can insert pictures from a SMART Document Camera using the **Insert > Picture From Scanner** option.

- You can insert irregular polygons over background images from the Gallery without issues.

- SMART Notebook software 10.8 resolves issues with the Hotspots interactive Gallery item.

- SMART Notebook software 10.8 resolves an issue that prevented you from activating the software with a proper product key after an upgrade.

- You can capture a document that contains OpenType fonts using the SMART Notebook Document Writer feature.

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- If you write multiple notes in digital ink, select them, and then select **Recognize All**, SMART Notebook software 10.8 recognizes and converts all of the handwritten notes to text.

- You can Control-click when using SMART Notebook software 10.8 on a SMART Board™ D600 series interactive whiteboard without issues.

Known issues

General

- If you attempt to press one of the buttons in the *Image Optimization* dialog box with a pen, an Ink Layer appears. To prevent this from happening, place the pen in the pen tray and press the buttons with you finger.

- Moving Adobe Flash Player objects in and out of table cells causes unexpected behavior.

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- Inserting a large image file as a file for a table and then using the optimization feature to reduce the image's file size can cause SMART Notebook software 10.8 to stop responding.

- You can no longer change a table cell's font by right-clicking it. To change a table cell's font, you must double-click it and use the *Fonts* toolbar.

- If you open the *Screen Capture* toolbar or calculator while in Dual-User mode on a SMART Board D600 series interactive whiteboard, SMART Notebook software 10.8 exits Dual-User mode.

- Copying and pasting content between SMART Notebook software 10.8 and Microsoft® Office can produce unexpected results depending on the version of Office you're using.

- When you import content to a .notebook file using SMART Notebook Document Writer, not all objects are represented correctly. Use the option to import as pictures as an alternative.

- When copying and pasting or dragging and dropping content from Internet Explorer® Internet browser to a .notebook file, objects might not appear as expected.

- Earlier versions of SMART Notebook software don't support .notebook files with 3D content.

- 3D scenes don't support multitouch gestures.

- You're unable to undo or redo disguising of 3D models.

- Displaying 3D models in Transparent Background mode isn't recommended.

- If SMART Notebook software 10.8 is running on your computer and you have a file open containing 3D content, the software stops responding when you connect your computer to an interactive whiteboard or to a second display and then extend your computer's display to the interactive whiteboard or to the second display. The same issue arises if you switch from two displays to one display or if you open a file containing 3D content after extending your computer's display. To prevent this issue from occurring, extend your computer's display before you start SMART Notebook software.

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- SMART Notebook software 10.8 doesn't fully support Mac OS X 10.7 (Lion) operating system software.

- Quickly dragging an Adobe Flash Player object from one page to another page in Dual Page mode causes SMART Notebook software 10.8 to stop responding.

- When an issue causes SMART Notebook software 10.8 to stop responding, the crash report doesn't contain information on the issue. However, the crash report is still available.

- If your computer has less than 3 GB of RAM and you attempt to reduce a large picture (over 60 megapixels) using the Image Optimization feature, SMART Notebook software can close unexpectedly or the picture might not appear.

Related release notes

SMART Notebook software 10.7 and earlier (smarttech.com/kb/126571)

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