

Release Notes

Kurzweil 3000 Version 13

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WHAT'S NEW?

Please note that for March release, changes have been made to the product documentation and Help for some, but not all, of the features and fixed issues. The changes will be made for the April release.

13.05 CHANGES AND RESOLVED ISSUES

In All Editions:

- Auto Update has been changed. In version 13.05, non-Administrator/restricted users are no longer offered the auto-updates. In addition, only the last update is displayed in the Online Update dialog box list for all user types.
- As search for updates can take a bit of time, the Search for Updates dialog box now includes a message notifying users that the search can be canceled anytime by clicking the close button on the top right corner.
- Scrolling and state issues, when combining the use of keyboard shortcuts with the use of the mouse on menus, have been fixed.
- With Speak Button enabled in General Options, certain buttons when selected multiple times, only play on the first selection. This issue has been fixed.
- Fixed issue with single-line Bubble Notes allowing multiple-lines of text to be entered.
- Resolved issue with certain Microsoft Word 2010 files failing to open or causing errors in Kurzweil 3000.
- Fixed Microsoft's Windows Installer presenting a random number to the MSI during Kurzweil 3000 installation.
- With Win7 64bit, Kurzweil 3000 hangs upon right clicking in Column Notes area and selecting extract from column notes to outline. This has been fixed.
- Minor application icon updates.
- Help now returns searches on phrases beginning with "my," such as "My Account."
- Minor typo edited in Brainstorm template.

In Web License Edition:

- Removed timeout alert. Users are no longer timed out after an hour of inactivity.

Documentation Issues:

- Animated gifs requires copying and placing a special file into a directory on the local computer. Steps for doing this are now included in the documentation.
- Added filename restrictions to Save to the Universal Library dialog box.
- Corrected assorted broken links.

THE REMAINDER OF THIS DOCUMENT INCLUDES:

General Installation Notes

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GENERAL INSTALLATION NOTES

- Version 13 program install and program-related files are on DVD, so you will need a DVD drive. If you do not have a DVD drive, you can go to <http://www.kurzweilededu.com/k3win>

downloads page to download it.

- When installing or uninstalling on computers with Windows XP, Windows Vista, or Windows 7 you must be logged on as administrator or as a user with administrator privileges.
- Prior to installing Kurzweil 3000, ensure that there are no pending Microsoft updates; if there are, those installations should be completed first.
- Whenever installing a combination of Kurzweil 3000 and Kurzweil 1000 (reading system for the blind), always install the older version first, based on the date on the DVD.
- The Trial version can no longer be activated to the full product. For the full product, you must install from the separate product DVD and register the product.

INFORMATION FROM PREVIOUS V13 RELEASES

13.04 CHANGES AND RESOLVED ISSUES

In Standalone Edition:

- Error when using New Pronunciation has been fixed.

In All Editions:

- For Windows 7, 64-bit systems for Internet Explorer, the IE Add-on, KESIReaderBHO Class, should be enabled. If the add-on is disabled, the Read the Web toolbar will not display. To enable this add-on, go to the Internet Explorer (64-bit) Tools Manage Add-ons dialog, under Cambium Learning, find the KESIReaderBHO Class row. In its Status cell, set the value to Enabled, then Close the dialog.
- Issue with error message displaying when corrupt file is encountered during New Pronunciation setup. This has been resolved. Now when there is a corrupt file, new good files are copied over, allowing for new pronunciation updates.
- Updated Online Registration Purchase Year default.
- Resolved issue with error when using Translate for a joined text file.
- Various minor message edits.

In Web License Edition:

- Customers may have encountered a timeout, “No session...” message, even when the session is active; this has been fixed.
- Cross-version authentication no longer exists. Version 12 does not accept firefly logins; Version 13 does not accept VPort logins.

Documentation Issues:

- Updated FTP address for the Reduced UI MSI in the Web License and Network Installation Guides.
- Kurzweil 3000 product Readmes now send users to the Software Updates page on our website: <http://www.kurzweiledu.com/software-updates.html>.
- Updated URLs to fireflybykurzweil in the Web License Guide.
- Fixed various topic links in Help system.
- Added Word Wrap in Readme in Show New Features at install.
- Extras Folder Readme has been updated.

13.03 INFORMATION ENHANCEMENTS

In All Editions:

- Automatic checks for software updates upon installation and/or upon launching Kurzweil 3000. Note that it is possible to disable the checks for updates during MSI installation.
- Read the Web screen now allows you to scroll as the program continues to read.

In Web License Edition:

- In the Universal Library, file and folder names are restricted to lowercase letters, numerals, and underscores; special characters and uppercase letters are not valid.
- My Accounts link from Kurzweil 3000 File menu now provides firefly users with access to the firefly User Management system. A new button is also available in Customize Toolbars for setting up easy access to My Accounts from a toolbar.

CHANGES AND RESOLVED ISSUES

In All Editions:

- Copyright date change.
- Release note information within the product (e.g., What's New page in online Help) is now accessed with a link to the Kurzweil 3000 Software Updates page.
- A repair message displays upon launching the product if time lock had been unregistered. Run the repair and launch the product.
- Resolved error upon selecting OK in the New Pronunciation dialog box.
- Resolved issue with the inability to change Reading Voice when reading MathML (equations).
- When recording a Voice Note, upon selecting the Cancel button, then selecting No, the Voice Note box is still cancelled, losing user changes. This has been fixed.
- Resolved issue in New Word List so that dialog box opens larger allowing all information to be seen when creating Word lists.
- Fixed no help page when clicking the Help button from the Get Picture, Get Definition, Get Synonym, and Get Human Pronunciation dialog boxes.
- Various fixes in documentation: Quick Reference Guide and Web License Guide missing reference to Virtual Printer; incorrect x64 installer location in Standalone Guide and Web License Guide.
- Updated the readme.txt to change the date and remove Firefox executable file.
- Updated Standalone Online Registration Purchase Year default to 2012.
- Updated ftp address for Reduced UI MSI option to <ftp://ftp.kurzweilededu.com/pub/K3000UIAction/>

In Web License Edition:

- Resolved issue with firefly user not being able to download the MP3 add-on needed to create audio files.
- Fixed issue with Web license not being checked back in on exit.

13.02 INFORMATION

ENHANCEMENTS

In All Editions:

- Updated Google translate.

In Web License Edition:

- Addition of Forgot Password process.
- Addition of school selection in the user management Accounts system Profile page.
- Addition of Receipt links in the user management Order History page.

CHANGES AND RESOLVED ISSUES

In All Editions:

- Fixed issue of word being masked with black highlighting when double-clicked in the

Homophone II dialog.

- After using and closing Definition, Synonym or Hyperlink window for a selected word, the cursor would not return to the selected word in the KES image file. This has been fixed.
- Error and crash when opening tiff file in Windows 7 has been fixed.
- Fixed Kurzweil Taskbar launching issue.
- Fixed broken Fill in the Blanks.
- Resolved issues in various localization editions.

In Web License Edition:

- Users could not save back to the same .kes document in the Universal Library using Save options. This has been fixed.

13.01 INFORMATION

Changes and Resolved Issues

- Enhancements to the user management system, including the addition of student role.
- Full product in a self-extracting downloadable file from the website.
- KESIRReader extension causing IE7 and IE 8 to crash.
- Multiple issues when extracting highlighted: possible crash; or for extracting text from large color documents, a large extracted file results containing extra empty rows and if Spell Check is enabled, the program spell checks the source document.
- Error when opening sample files.
- When using Get Picture/Definition/Synonym/Human Pronunciation, user entry is not being automatically cleared from the dialog box.
- Print to PDF not printing images in color.
- Broken Bookshare site link.
- Error when opening sample files.
- Link issues in online Help pages.
- Known Problem: Typo in Brainstorm Template, although Templates may still appear with the typo because they are treated as settings, and are not affected by patches and product reinstall.

In Web License Edition:

- Error when saving a Universal Library-downloaded file to a local directory.
- Inability to delete or rename files inside user's own public/private Universal Library folders.

Version 13.0 offers customers:

- One product license type -- Color Professional, replete with scanning, Virtual Printer, Zone Editing, advanced OCR editing, and more.
- Single DVD containing the majority of the product Editions: Standalone, Network, and Web Licensing, for both Windows and Macintosh.

And most exciting of all, for the Web License Edition, there are two developments:

- A new database and license management and authentication system that are designed to simplify the user set up and license management processes.
- A more robust, and easy-to-set-up and simple-to-use Web Universal Library, containing a shared and searchable Classic Literature library of nearly 2000 electronic text files from literary classics to factbooks and historical documents.

Additional changes include:

- From Web License Edition: removal of assignments and reports.

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