



Text Effects Using Draw and Paint

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Text Effects can be used to add interest to newsletter mastheads and topic headers, slide shows, brochures, greeting cards, etc., using the AppleWorks Draw and Paint modules. While you can do more with text effects using commercial software designed for the purpose, programs of this type are generally expensive. This skill sheet presents a few examples of text effects that have been done in AppleWorks' Draw and Paint modules. Of course, it is our hope these examples will give the user the encouragement and enthusiasm to experiment with ideas of their own.



Tip!

With AppleWorks open and its Button Bar active (beneath the menu bar), click the appropriate button (shown below) to quickly open a **new** Word Processor, Draw, Paint, etc. document.

Word Processor



Draw



Paint



Spreadsheet




Database



Tip!

For a softer shadow effect, select the original and choose a shade of gray for its text color.

Make a Drop Shadow in Draw

1. Start AppleWorks – open a new Draw document: Go to the **File** menu and choose New...
2. Name the file and save it: Go to the **File** menu and choose Save As... Give it an appropriate name; choose a folder in which to place it. Click **Save**.
3. Choose a font: Go to the **Font** pop-up menu and choose a "fat" font
4. Choose a large font size: Go to the **Font Size** pop-up menu and choose a large size – in this case 72pt.
5. Choose the  (text) tool and make a text frame in the work space. Type the title desired – in this case, "Shadow."
6. Click outside the text frame. Its grabber handles will appear. Drag a grabber to shrink the frame to more closely fit the text.
7. Duplicate it: Select the frame and go to the **Edit** menu and choose Duplicate. The duplicate will appear in front of, and offset from the original.
8. Leave the duplicate selected. Go to the **Text Color** palette (in the button bar) and choose a color other than white.
9. The results should be similar to the example shown here.
10. Use keyboard arrows to make small adjustments to position. Go to the **Options** menu and choose Turn Autogrid Off – or press **Command - Y**.
11. Select the duplicate – press the appropriate keyboard arrows to move the duplicate up and left to give the illusion of light striking the text from the upper left.

