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The Good	The Bad	The Bottomline
It's an open source package for text editing, spreadsheets, presentations, imagery and databases. It includes different sorts of languages and has an international size-format, which makes it a convenient program to use. It's very easy to use!	I don't think there is something "bad" about this free program.	It is an easy tool for text editing and writing!

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Specifications

The official website of the tool is

<http://www.openoffice.org>

The tool is made by

StarOffice (Star Devision), which is a german company.

You can find the official documentation on:

<https://www.openoffice.org/> <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/OpenOffice.org>

Is there a user forum/ bug tracker/ issue tracker and if so where?

There is no forum.

I reviewed version Apache OpenOffice 4.1.2 AOO412m3 (Build: 9782) of the Software The interface:

- what is it : application, online tool, platform
- what is it for ?writing
- this tool functions : after download and install
- this tool is available for : Windows
- this tool is : Free Beer
- does this tool have a paid version available? no

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Review

The user interface:

It has a lot of applications like a word processor, database, spreadsheets and graphics. The menu and toolbar are helpful to find the tools you need. The interface is very flat/un-designed, which makes it not so aesthetically pleasing, but very convenient. I believe that someone without any technical experience can use this.

Tutorials / Instructions:

useful / helpful : 5
 clear : 5
 quick and easy to understand : 5

What notable things do other users say about this tool? (either good or bad!)

<https://openoffice.en.softonic.com/comments/reviewer-01>: "OpenOffice is the perfect alternative to both MS Office and MS Works. It gives me everything I need and then some. And making document transfers is a little tedious. However patience is a virtue. I would recommend OpenOffice to anybody" - mospyder1
 reviewer 02: Text is okay to work with. I'm converting many of my WP files to ODT files. I like it. Database is atrocious. Importing MS Access - the help files call out commands I have yet to locate, or if I do they're not available for use. Once I got my MS Access database loaded (6555 records, 10 columns 255 characters each - a lot of information) through a lot of trial and error, scrolling to the end is impossible. Apache loads records several at a time. It took forever to get to the end. Then when I returned to the first record, Apache had to reload records as I

worked down the titles once more. I'll stick to Access until Apache's been debugged. Very sluggish. And I haven't even tried data entry yet. - ozthemek, October 2012.

Testing the tool (learning by doing - trial and error) What would/could a designer use this tool for?

It is a quite practical tool, there is not much to do with your imagination within this program. Handy to edit and adjust simple text files. This program is not for designing a whole book, as there is no thing as paragraph or character styles, which makes it have less design options than a program such as InDesign.

Depending on what kind of free this tool is, how "free" is this tool really?

There is no advertising used within this tool, the only thing you have to do is download (without registering or anything). So I'd consider this tool to be totally free.

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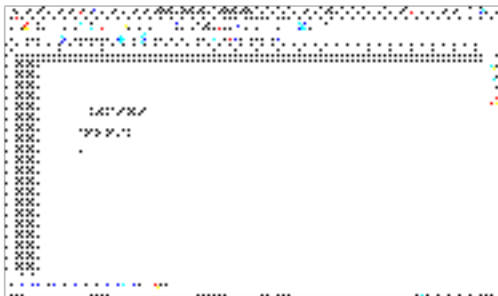
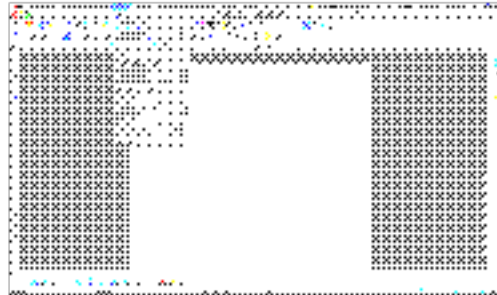
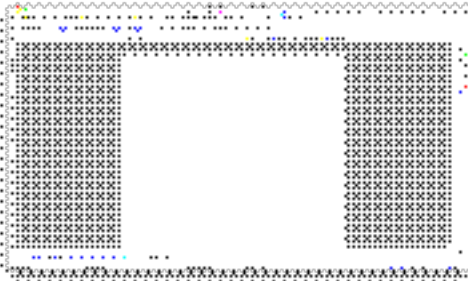
Great tool!

As an official reviewer for the Great Free Graphic Software Review I confirm I have filled in the above review at the best of my abilities, with care, patience and without prior prejudice, so help me Tux. ^

Sam Reith, 10/09/2011

Images

Interface



Testing the tool

