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# Learning QuarkXPress

*the industry's leading page layout &  
design software package*

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# Your Presenters

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# Quark**X**Press in a nutshell

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- **QXP** is page layout software
- industry leader (almost 50% of the market uses the software)
- different than word processing software
- intermediate-level of difficulty (manageable with understanding of a few key concepts.)

# Overview of Training

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- Getting Started
- Key Concepts
- Formatting
- Newsletter Design Activity
- Discussion & Wrap Up

# What you need

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- shortcut sheet
- newsletter design activity instructions
- model newsletter
- computer with **QuarkXPress** installed

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# Getting Started

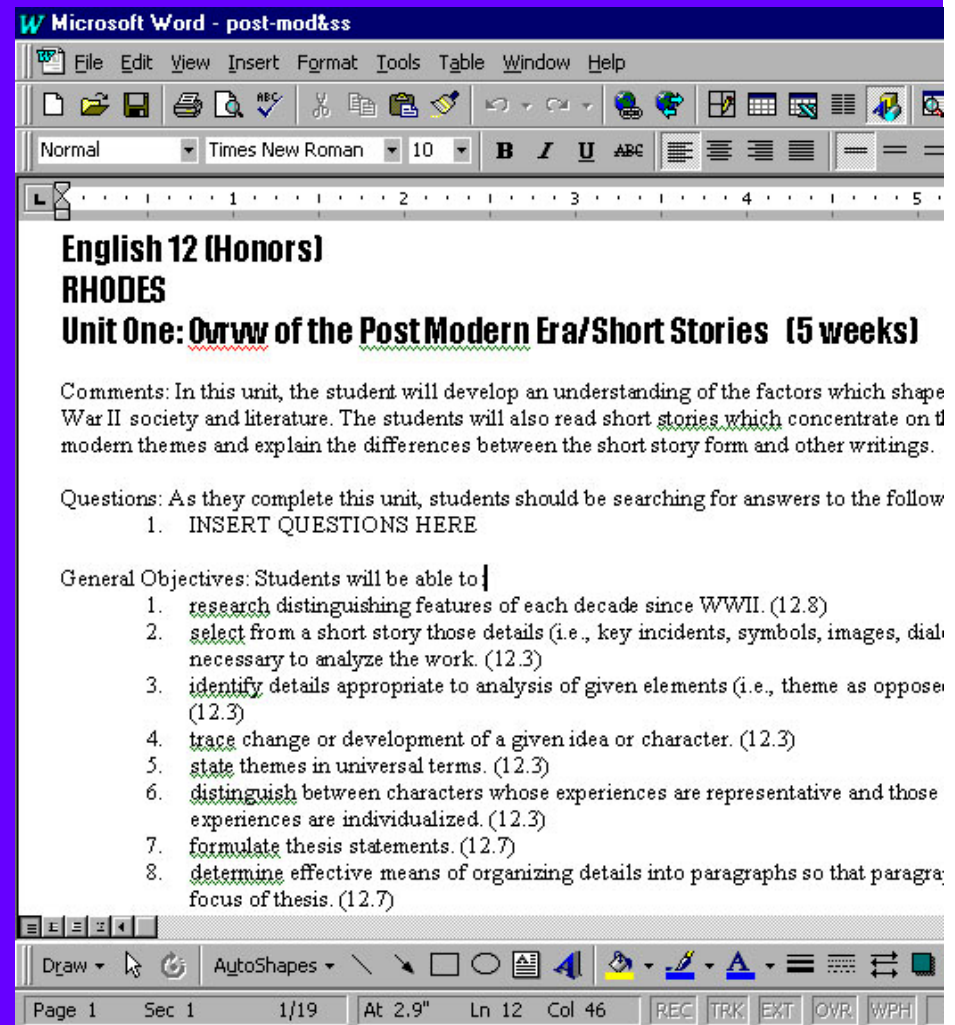
*“This ain’t your Daddy’s word processor!”*

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# Word processor

- software primarily focuses on inputting & formatting text for general print uses (reports, letters, etc.)
- generally includes limited graphics capabilities



# QuarkXPress

- focuses on formatting and layout of text & graphic elements
- extensive graphic capabilities
- offers greater level of control of formatting and placement of elements







# Spectator

CRANBY HIGH SCHOOL

12.20.2000



## Increased hall roaming triggers security sweeps



## NO FREE NAPSTER

Document Layout

A-Master A

16 Pages

Colors

100%

- Black
- Blue
- Cyan
- Green
- Magenta
- PANTONE Red 032 C
- PANTONE Reflex Blue
- Red
- Registration
- White
- Yellow

X: -1p3.061 W: 61p6 0° 12 pt Times New Roman 10 pt

Y: 15p9 H: 28p5.999 Cols: 4

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CORRY HIGH SCHOOL  
Spectator  
MAY 27 2005



## Student artists displayed in Norfolk's galleries

By Steve Breen

Corry High School

**G**allery High School students have been invited to display their work in two art galleries.

The Norfolk Art Gallery and the Norfolk Museum, for example, are displaying the work of Corry High School students.

The Norfolk Art Gallery is part of the art and creative development program in Norfolk, Virginia.

An exhibit in the Norfolk Art Gallery High School will be the work of students who entered the competition.

**W**orking in the Norfolk Art Gallery, Steve Breen, 2004, was a recipient of the award. Breen's work was displayed in the gallery.



Jason Wayne Walker explains her prize-winning photo to a friend. Walker earned third place in the photography-quality camera category in Norfolk, for work of Walker's photography and the photo essay on nationally-ranked general Adam Teala on page 11.

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**LEFT:** Senior artist Steve Breen's portrait of a man is displayed in the Norfolk Art Gallery.

Breen's work was displayed in the Norfolk Art Gallery.

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**RIGHT:** Senior artist Steve Breen's painting of a person under an umbrella is displayed in the Norfolk Art Gallery.

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# Getting Started

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- document management
- viewing the document
- important control palettes

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# **Key Concepts**

*the basics of boxing*

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# Key Concepts

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- **QXP** is a box-based environment (text must be placed in a **text box**, graphics must be placed in a **picture box**.)
- **ITEM** tool vs. **CONTENT** tool
- can enter text in **QXP** or import from other word processing programs
- can import graphics of various formats

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# **Formatting text & graphics**

*fine tuning elements in your  
document*

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# Formatting text & graphics

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- enlarging & reducing images (**MODIFY**)
- can format text characteristics like a word processor (font, size, style, color)
- use palettes for quick control (*remember they are context sensitive!*)
- changing numbers of columns & gutter widths (**MODIFY**)

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# **Newsletter Design Activity**

*it's time to get your feet wet & your hands on a computer (you'll be shocked what you know)*

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# Newsletter Design Activity

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- create a new document
- create text & picture boxes
- import text & graphic
- format the text & graphic
- save the document
- print the newsletter

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# **Discussion & Wrap Up**

*your chance to question “authority”*

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# QuarkXPress: The Basics

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- managing documents (creating, opening, saving & viewing)
- picture & text boxes
- ITEM tool vs. CONTENT tool
- importing & modifying page elements
- printing documents

# Other important skills

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- using colors & shading (color palette)
- framing boxes (MODIFY dialog box)
- grouping elements
- creating multi-page documents (document layout palette)
- linking text boxes (tool palette)

# Where to go from here

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- explore the **color palette** (colors & shading)
- explore the **document layout palette**  
(creating multiple pages)

# Sources of help

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- Learning **QuarkXPress** (print or PDF)
- **QuarkXPress** tutorials (included in standard installation)
- online help included in software
- print manuals included with software

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