

Welcome Screen functionality

theWord will display a welcome screen when it is being started, if one of the following is found:

1. A module with identifier `welcome` (the module identifier can be set from within theWord from the *Module Properties* dialog –one can access this dialog by right-clicking on a module tab and selecting the *Module Properties...* menu):
 - a. This is the simplest case and requires no manual editing of any configuration file. In that case, the welcome screen will display the first non-empty topic of the module having the `welcome` identifier.
2. An ini configuration file with a `[welcome]` section is found in one of the following files (in that order):
 - a. If the `-welcome` parameter is specified in the command line with an .ini file (you can specify a custom welcome .ini file with the command line parameter `welcome`, e.g. `theword.exe -welcome my.welcome.ini`)
 - b. A file `welcome.ini` is found in the same folder as `config.ini`
 - c. A `[welcome]` section exists in the `config.ini` file

In all cases, the `[welcome]` section is required (even in a file that only contains settings for the welcome screen).

Notice that if a `[welcome]` section is found then it has priority over a module with the `welcome` identifier. Moreover, both cases above can be combined by using a module with identifier `welcome` and specifying further properties in a `[welcome]` section.

The welcome screen is actually a single book view displayed in a popup window. This means that every aspect of it can be customized using the 'standard' ini parameters for the book view (more later).

For the welcome screen to be displayed in the second case (e.g. `[welcome]` section), the following parameters should be set:

- The `module.id` parameter must exist and point to an existing module
- The `topic.id` parameter must exist and point to an existing topic
- The `hide` parameter should not have the value of 1 (or should not exist at all).

Specific Parameters:

- `module.id=[string]`: the module identifier to use for the welcome screen (to get/set the module id go to *Module Properties* dialog)
- `topic.id=[number]`: the topic id of the welcome module (to get the topic id for a topic from within theWord, hold down CTRL+SHIFT and double click on a topic in the topic list)
- `shade.main.window=[0|1]`: whether to shade the main window that is displayed below the welcome screen or not (0=false, 1=true, default=1)
- `title=[string]`: the title for the welcome popup window (default is the title of the module)
- `xmargin=[number]`: the left and right margin (in pixels) of the welcome screen in relation to the main window of the program (default 100)
- `ymargin=[number]`: the top and bottom margin (in pixels) of the welcome screen in relation to the main window of the program (default 50)
- `show.modules.toolbar=[0|1]`: whether to display the button bar (the bar with the list of modules, default=0)
- `show.on.startup.checked=[0|1]`: whether the 'Show on startup' option at the bottom of the welcome screen is checked by default or not (default=1).
- `hide=[0|1]`: whether to show the welcome screen or not (hide=1 will NOT show it). This parameter is written when the welcome screen closes based on the checked state of *Show on startup* option at the bottom of the screen.

- `menu=[string]`: if this is set, then a menu item will appear as the first position of the Help menu with the given string as title: when the menu is selected, the welcome screen will appear again. This allows access to this welcome screen at any time.

Apart from the above list of parameters (which is specific to the welcome screen), all other parameters that can be found in any `[tlbx._book_view_x]` section of the config.ini file can be used. Although the list with parameters is not documented, there are at least 2 ways to find out each one:

1. By it's descriptive name
2. By creating a book view in theWord and then exiting theWord and observing how the parameter values changed when several options change.

The following is a (non exhaustive) list of book view parameters that may be useful:

- `bkv.show.toc=[0|1]`: whether to show the topics tree
- `bkv.topics.tree.expanded=[0|1]`: whether the list of topics is expanded (if tree)
- `bkv.ppi=[number]`: zoom level (default is 96 pixels per inch)
- `bkv.grab.mode=[0|1]`: whether the *grab-n-drag* mode is active
- `bkv.topics.pos=[0|1|2|3]`: the position of the topics list, if visible (left, right, top, bottom)
- `bkv.topics.width=[number]`: pixels: width of topics tree
- `bkv.topics.height=[number]`: pixels: height of topics tree
- `image.autosize=[0|1]`: whether images are auto-resized in the viewer
- `image.autosize.mode=[0|1|2]`: auto-resize mode
- `bkv.background.image=[filename]`: background images
- `bkv.background.style=[0|1|2|3]`: style: centered, stretched, tiled

Here is a minimal sample `[welcome]` section:

```
[welcome]
module.id=g394
topic.id=3
title=Welcome to Our Ministry!
menu=Our Ministry Information
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