

New Features in Communicate: In Print Version 2.8

1. Free Updates for Symbols

Widgit are now releasing all of the symbol updates to customers of the Communicate Series for free. These will be available from www.widgit.com/symbolupdates/

This version of the software contains the Autumn 09. This Widgit Symbol Set now contains over 10,000 symbols. You can find a PDF of all the new symbols at the above web address.

To access these symbols you need to load the latest wordlist. This is called **'Widgit 09.cwl'**



To edit and create wordlists with the new format images you need to use the new **Wordlist Manager**. This can be downloaded from www.widgit.com/support/wordlistmanager



2. Viewing the graphic thumbnails

You can now choose from three sizes of display in the graphic browser. The default view of the Graphics browser shows three thumbnails on each line. You can change this to show larger images from **Thumbnails**, under the **View** menu. This will display one, two or three columns of images. The program automatically stores the last used setting.

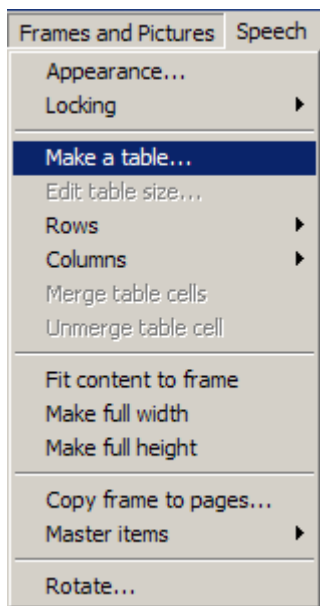
3. New Table Features

It is now possible to specify the precise size of a table, either when it is created or afterwards. Rows and columns can be inserted or deleted, and cell can be merged or unmerged.

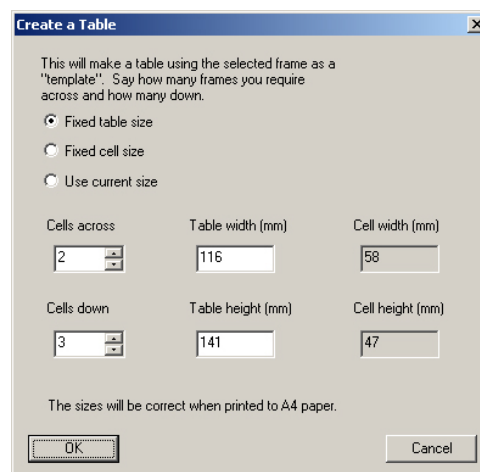
All these features are available from the **Frames and Pictures** menu.

2-1. Making a Fixed Size Table

You can now make a table of a defined size. To do this, make a writing frame with the style you want for each cell of the table. Leave the frame with the cursor inside it and from the **Frames and Pictures** menu select **Make a table**.



The following dialog will appear:



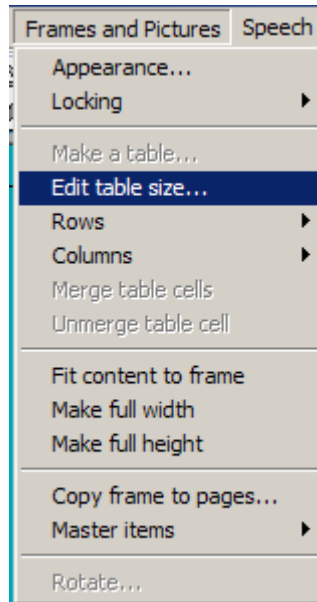
- **Fixed table size:** This will be the size when printed. It will warn you if the size set is larger than the paper.
- **Fixed cell size:** This sets the width and height of each cell in the grid. It will warn you if the size set is larger than the paper.
- **Use current size:** This will make the table using the size of the cell created on screen.



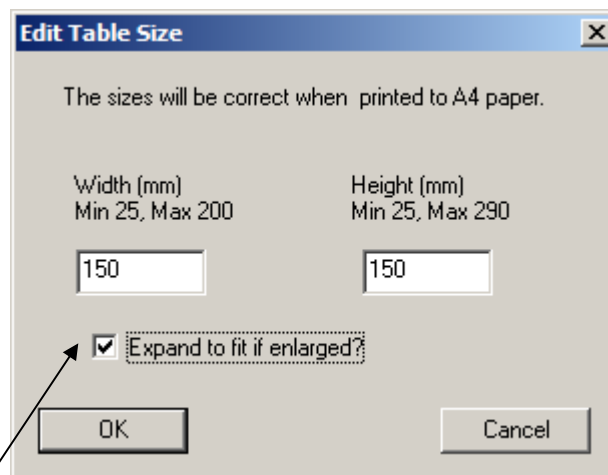
2-2. Editing a Table Size

After you have made a table you can resize it, by dragging, to any size you like – see the main manual. However, if you want to make it an exact size when printed then proceed as follows. Select the table (right button click in **Create Mode**)

From the **Frames and Pictures** menu select **Edit table size**.



In the dialog box that appears enter the width and height you want for the table.



If you have made the table larger and want the contents of the cells to fill them, then check the **Expand to fit if enlarged** box. (Or you can use the **Expand** button - see main manual p10 - on individual cells after the dialog is closed). Click OK.



2-3. Rows and Columns

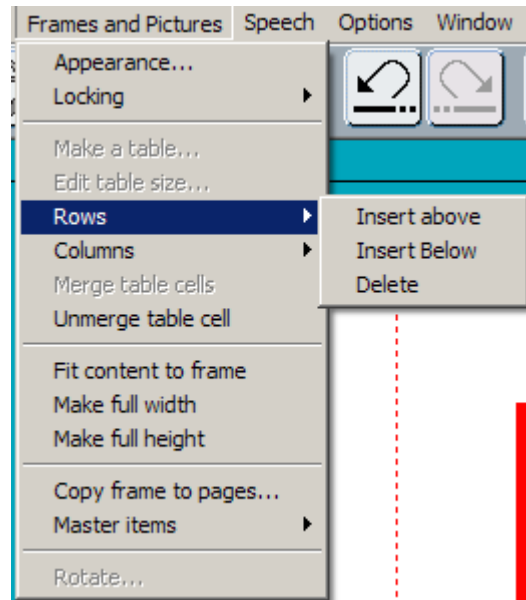
You can **insert** a row either above or below the row with the current cell (the one with the cursor in). From the **Frames and Pictures** menu select **Rows** or **Columns** to see the options.

If there is no horizontal line above the row containing the selected cell, then **Insert above** will be greyed out. This will happen if you have merged cells and one of the merged cells “gets in the way” of the horizontal line.

Similarly for **Insert below** if there is no horizontal line below the selected cells.

Select which option you require and the row will be inserted.

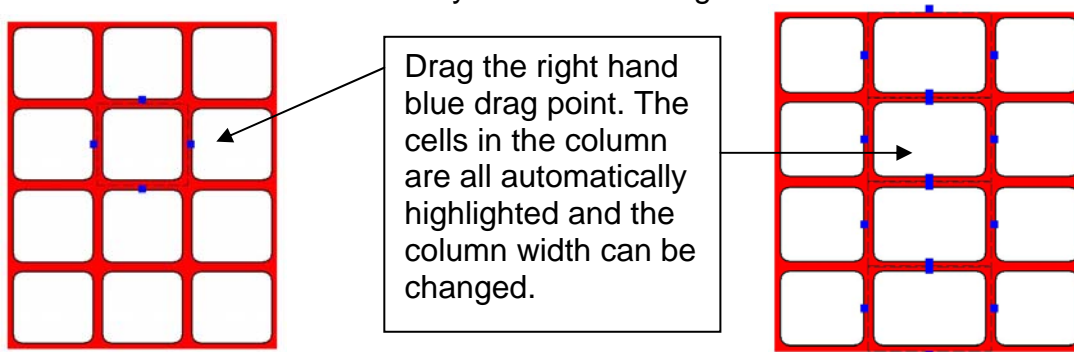
To **delete** a row containing the cell with the cursor, simply select **Delete** in the above menu. If the cells in the row do not have a constant width (because of merging) then this option will be greyed out.



Exactly the same principles apply to inserting and deleting columns.

2-4. Altering column widths and row heights

Go to **adjust mode** (second button on the left hand toolbar) and **right** button click a cell in the row or column you want to change.

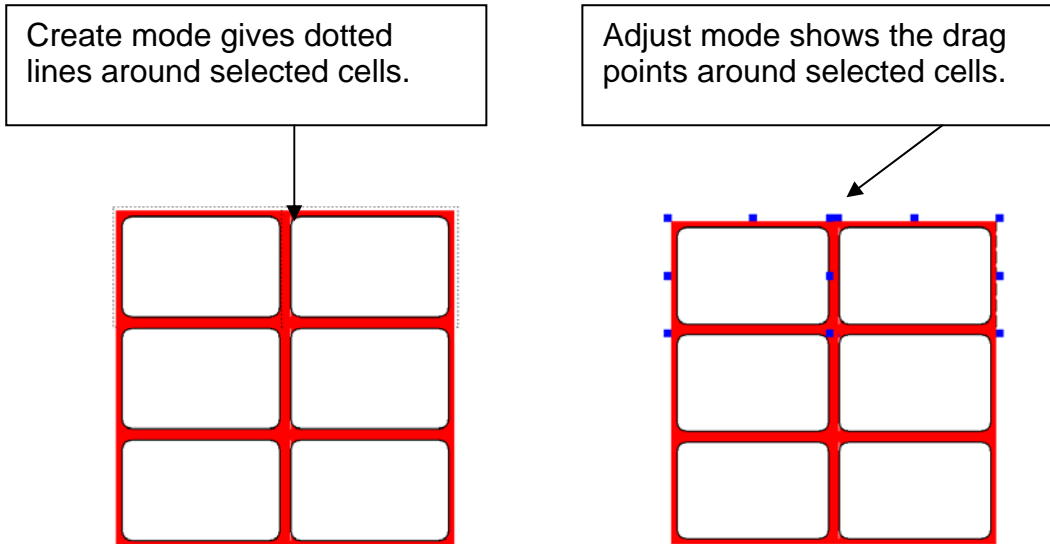


Click away when you have adjusted the column. Adjust the row height similarly.

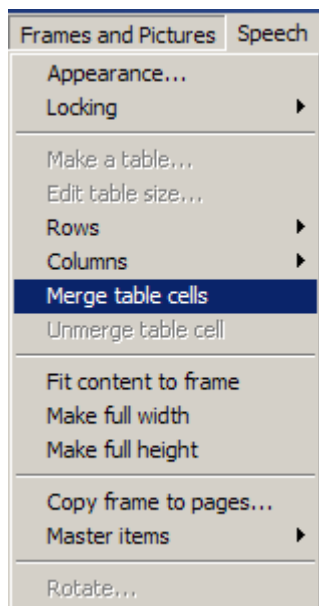


2-5. Merging Cells

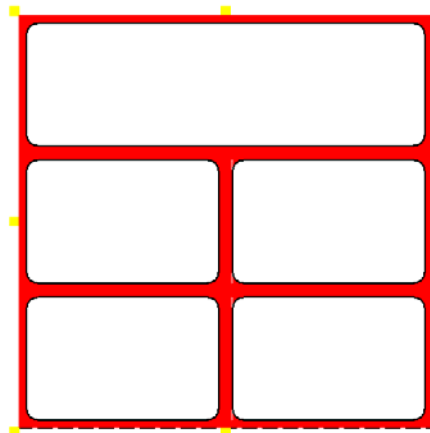
Select the cells you want to merge. Use **CTRL +SHIFT + Left click** to multiply select items. The program will merge cells in a rectangle from the top-left cell to the bottom right of those selected. If you are in **Create** mode the selected cells will be marked by dotted lines around them. If you are in **Adjust** mode you will see the drag points.



From the **Frames and Pictures** menu select **Merge table cells**.



This will merge the cells as shown:



2-6. Unmerging Cells

Simply select the merged cell and from the **Frames and Pictures** menu select **Unmerge table cell**. The contents of the cell will be placed in the first of the unmerged cells.



3. Refresh Wordlist

If you have made changes to your wordlist in the Resource Manager or Wordlists Manager while you have In Print open, you may wish to reload the wordlists without closing and re opening the program. You can achieve this by selecting **Refresh wordlist** from the **Wordlists** menu.

4. Hide Guides

It can be useful to use guides to help you line up objects. But the guides can be unsightly for students. You can now show and hide guides without having to manually remove the. To do this go to the **View** menu then toggle **Show Guides**.

5. Minor Bug Fixes

Communicate: In Print Version 2.8 contains a number of minor bug fixes these include.

- Warning you if your default paper size becomes an American paper shape. This can happen from the default settings in some printers, or if a printer is not set up correctly.
- Increased default size of constrained frame. It is now 2x from the previous size.

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