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## **Dedication**

To Buddy (1995-2012), my constant companion for 17  $\frac{1}{2}$  years. You brought me nothing but joy and I will sorely miss you.

# **How to Use This Book**

#### Who This Book Is For

This book is for the reader who has never used this particular technology or software application. It is also for readers who want to expand their knowledge.

#### The Conventions in This Book

#### Steps

This book uses a step-by-step format to guide you easily through each task. **Numbered steps** are actions you must do; **bulleted steps** clarify a point, step, or optional feature; and **indented steps** give you the result.

#### O Notes

Notes give additional information — special conditions that may occur during an operation, a

situation that you want to avoid, or a crossreference to a related area of the book.

#### **1** Icons and Buttons

Icons and buttons show you exactly what you need to click to perform a step.

#### Tips

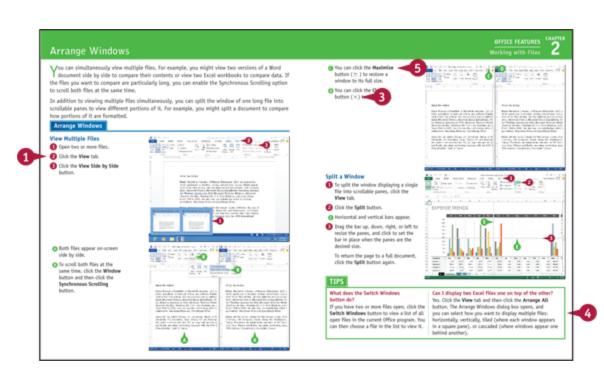
Tips offer additional information, including warnings and shortcuts.

#### 6 Bold

**Bold** type shows command names or options that you must click or text or numbers you must type.

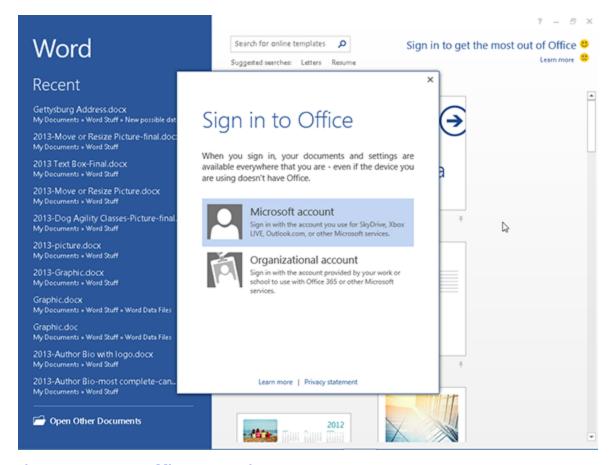
#### **6** Italics

Italic type introduces and defines a new term.



## Part I: Office Features

The Office 2013 applications share a common look and feel. You can find many of the same features in each program, such as the Ribbon, Quick Access Toolbar, program window controls, and File tab. Many of the tasks you perform, such as creating and working with files, share the same processes and features throughout the Office suite. In this part, you learn how to navigate the common Office features and basic tasks.



**Chapter 1: Office Basics** 

**Chapter 2: Working with Files** 

**Chapter 3: Office Graphics Tools** 

**Chapter 4: Working with Office Files Online** 

# **Chapter 1: Office Basics**

# Start and Exit Office Applications

Office 2013 runs on a 1-gigahertz (GHz) or faster x86- or x64-bit processor with 1 or 2 gigabytes of RAM, based on your processor speed. Your system must be running Windows 7, Windows 8, Windows Server 2008 R2, or Windows Server 2012. For additional requirements, visit <a href="http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ee624351%28v=office.15%29.aspx">http://technet.microsoft.com/en-us/library/ee624351%28v=office.15%29.aspx</a>.

This section uses Access to demonstrate how to open a program from the Windows 8 Start screen. Once an Office program opens, its Start screen appears, helping you to find a document on which you recently worked or to start a new document. For other ways to open or start a new document, see Chapter 2.

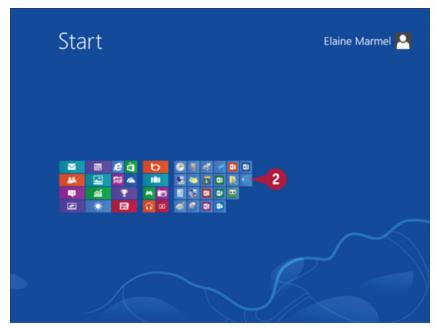
**Start and Exit Office Applications** 



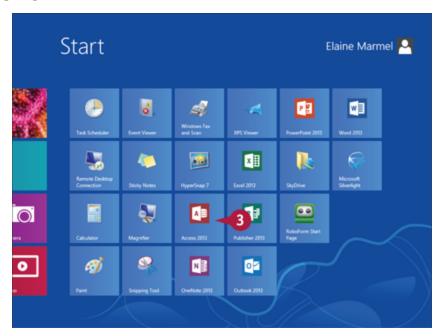
On the Windows Start screen, click = to zoom.

**Note:** You can start typing the name of the program and then skip to Step 3.

Windows zooms out so that you can see tiles for all installed programs.



Olick any program tile on the right side of the Start screen. Windows zooms in and enlarges all tiles to their regular size.



Olick the tile of the program you want to open.

**Note:** This example uses Access 2013.

Windows switches to the Desktop and opens the program, displaying the program's Start screen, which helps you open new or existing documents; see Chapter 2 for other ways to open documents.

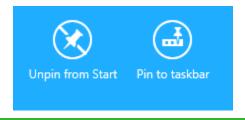


- A You can use this panel to open an existing document.
- **B** You can use this area to start a new document.
- C This area indicates whether you have signed in to Office Online.
- D To exit from the program, click the **Close** button (\*) after closing all documents.

#### TIP

# Can I create a shortcut to open an Office application?

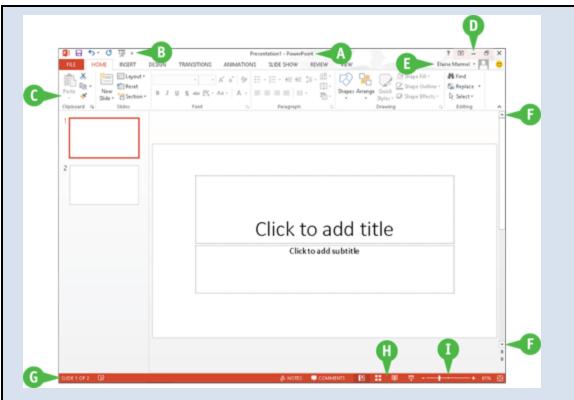
Yes. You can create a shortcut icon that appears on the Windows Desktop; however, pinning the program to the Windows taskbar is easier and just as effective because you can then click the taskbar button to start the program. On the Windows Start screen, right-click the tile of the program that you want to pin to the Windows taskbar. The program's App bar appears; click **Pin to taskbar**. Windows 8 pins the program to the Windows taskbar. To open the program, display the Desktop and click the program's tile on the taskbar.



# **Navigate the Program Windows**

All Office programs share a common appearance and many of the same features, and when you learn your way around one Office program, you can easily use the same skills to navigate the others. These common features include scroll bars, a Ribbon, and a Quick Access Toolbar (QAT). The Ribbon contains commands that Microsoft Office determines that users use most often, and the QAT contains frequently used commands; you can customize both of these elements.

Take a moment to familiarize yourself with each program's various on-screen elements so that you can learn to work quickly and efficiently while you create documents.



#### A Title Bar

Displays the name of the open file and the Office program.

#### **B** Quick Access Toolbar

Displays quick access buttons to the Save, Undo, and Redo commands.

#### **C** Ribbon

Displays groups of related commands in tabs. Each tab offers buttons for performing common tasks.

#### Program Window Controls

These buttons enable you to view the program in a full screen, with only scroll bars but no other controls. They also allow you to minimize the program window, to maximize or restore the window including program controls, or to close the window.

#### E Office Online Indicator

If you see your name, you are signed in to Office Online. You can click ▼ to display a menu that enables you to change your photo, manage your Microsoft account, or switch to a different Microsoft account. If you are not signed in, this area shows a Sign In link. See Chapter 4 for details.

#### F Scroll Bars

The vertical and, if available, horizontal scroll bars let you scroll through the item shown in the work area, such as a document or worksheet.

#### **G** Status Bar

Displays information about the current Office document.

#### **H** View Shortcuts

These shortcuts switch to a different view of your document.

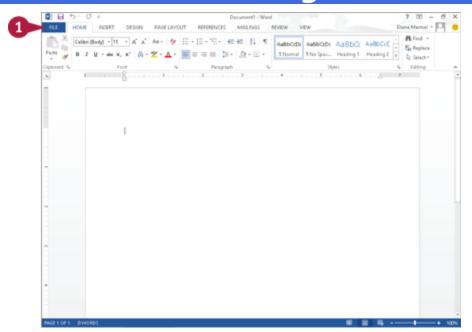
#### Zoom Controls

This feature changes the magnification of a document.

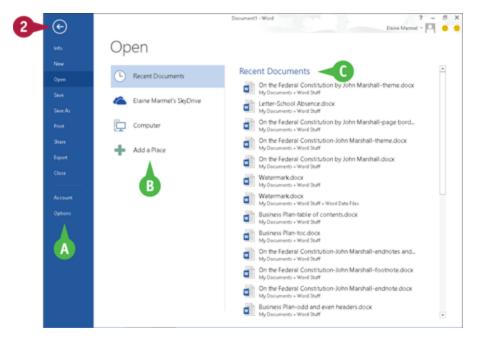
# **Work with Backstage View**

You can click the File tab to display Backstage view, which resembles a menu. Backstage is the place to go when you need to manage documents or change program behavior. In Backstage view, you find a list of actions — you can think of them as commands — that you can use to, for example, open, save, print, remove sensitive information, and distribute documents as well as set Word program behavior options. You can also use Backstage to manage the places on your computer hard drive or in your network that you use to store documents and to manage your Office Online account.

### Work with Backstage View



Olick the File tab to display Backstage view.



A Commonly used file and program management commands appear here.

**B** Buttons you can click appear here.

C Information related to the button you click appears here. Each time you click a button, the information shown to the right changes.

**Note:** The New, Close, and Options commands do not display buttons or information, but take other actions. See Chapter 2 for details.

Click here to return to the open document.

#### **Work with the Ribbon**

In Office 2013, you use the Ribbon to select commands. On each Ribbon tab, you find groups of related command buttons. Each button performs a common task. Some tabs appear only when needed. For example, if you select a picture, the Ribbon displays the Picture Tools tab.