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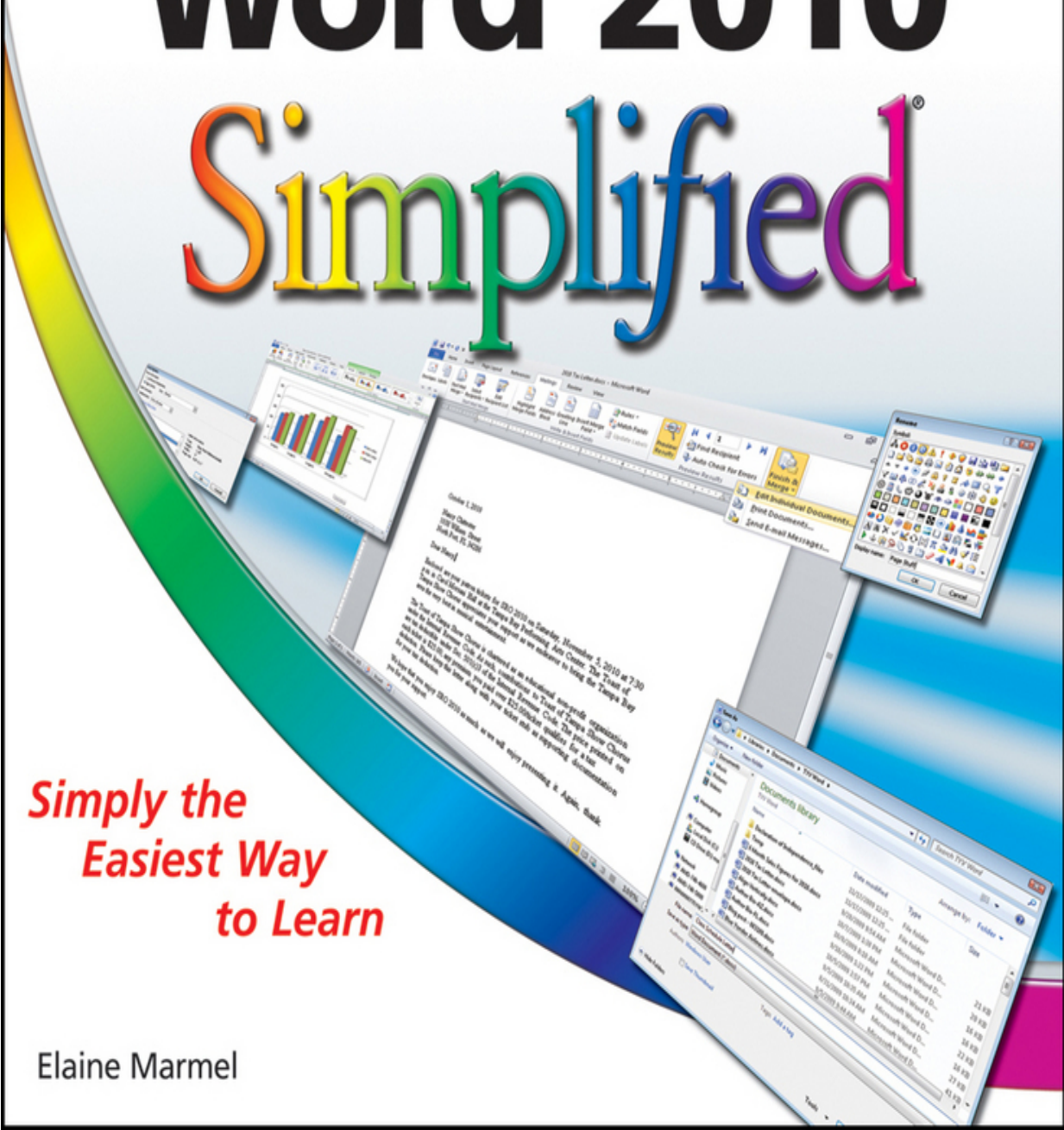# Microsoft®
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Dedication

To Cato, a sweet and loyal friend for 17 years. You are sorely missed by all of us, little girl.

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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

1 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.

❷ Notes

Notes give additional information — special conditions that may occur during an operation, a situation that you want to avoid, or a cross reference to a related area of the book.

❸ Icons and Buttons

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

❹ Simplify It

Simplify It sections offer additional information, including warnings and shortcuts.

❺ Bold

Bold type shows command names, options, and text or numbers you must type.

❻ Italics

Italic type introduces and defines a new term.

Chapter 1: Getting Familiar with Word

Are you ready to get started in Word? In this first chapter, you become familiar with the Word working environment and you learn basic ways to navigate and to enter text. You explore the main Word window as well as read about the new Backstage view.

Using either your keyboard or your mouse, you find out how to navigate the Word window, launch dialog boxes, use the Mini toolbar that appears when you select text, and take advantage of context menus.

This chapter also shows you how to enter text into a document and how to move around the document.

Open Word

You can open Microsoft Word several ways. This section demonstrates the popular method of opening Word from the All Programs menu. After Word opens, a blank document, ready for you to type text, appears. The Ribbon, which contains commands that help you do things like apply boldface to type or create a numbered list,

dominates the top of the Word window. In addition to opening Word from the All Programs menu, many of you might like to open Word and a specific document simultaneously, which you can accomplish by double-clicking any Word document.

Open Word

① Click **Start**.

② Click **All Programs**.

• All Programs changes to Back once you click it.

❸ Click **Microsoft Office**.

❹ Click **Microsoft Word 2010**.
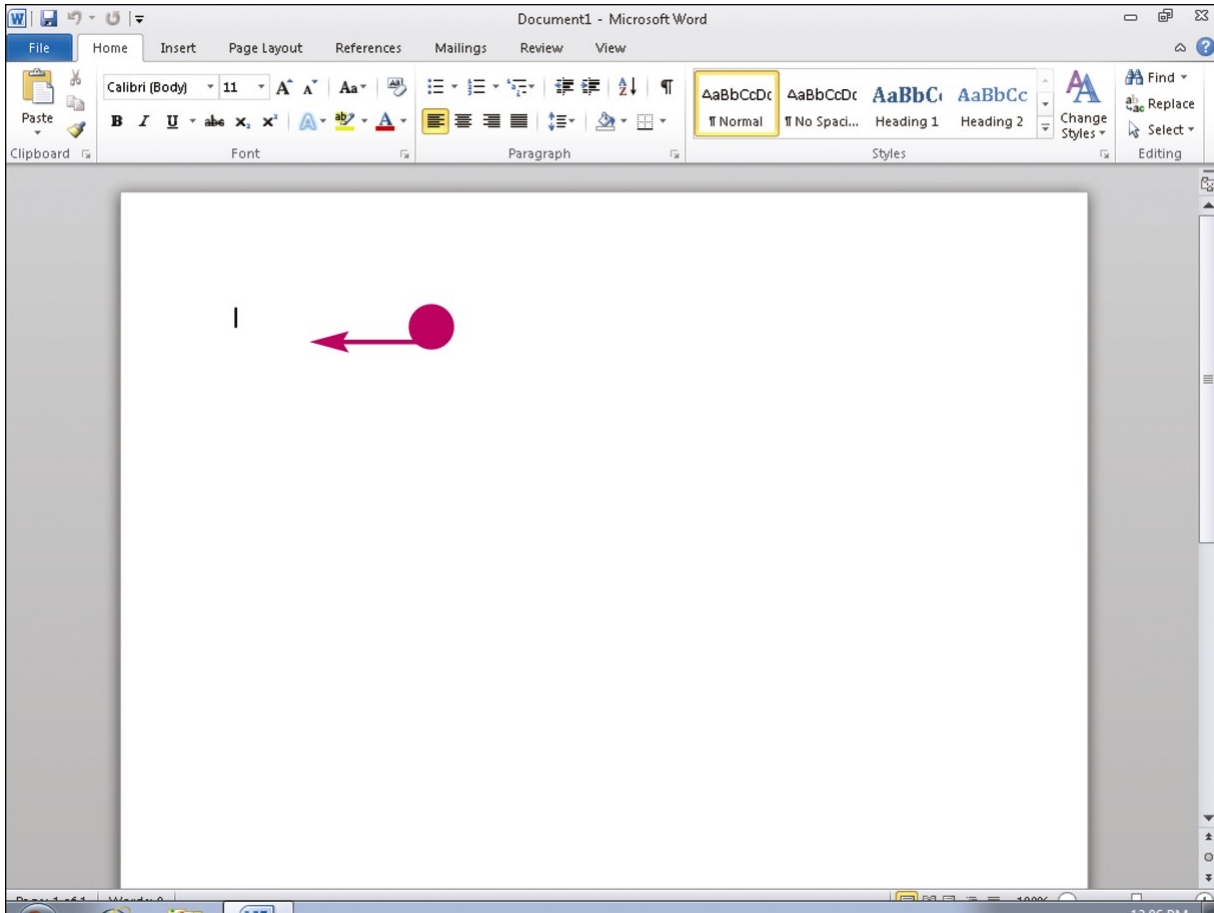
• A blank document appears in the Word window.

Explore the Word Window

In addition to the document portion of the Word window, where you type and edit text, the Word window contains tools you can use to work quickly and efficiently while you create documents. Before you dive in and start using Word, take a few minutes to familiarize yourself with the basic screen elements that appear when you open Word. You will

have occasion to use all of these screen elements at one time or another, so identifying them early on in your Word 2010 career will make you more proficient in the long run.
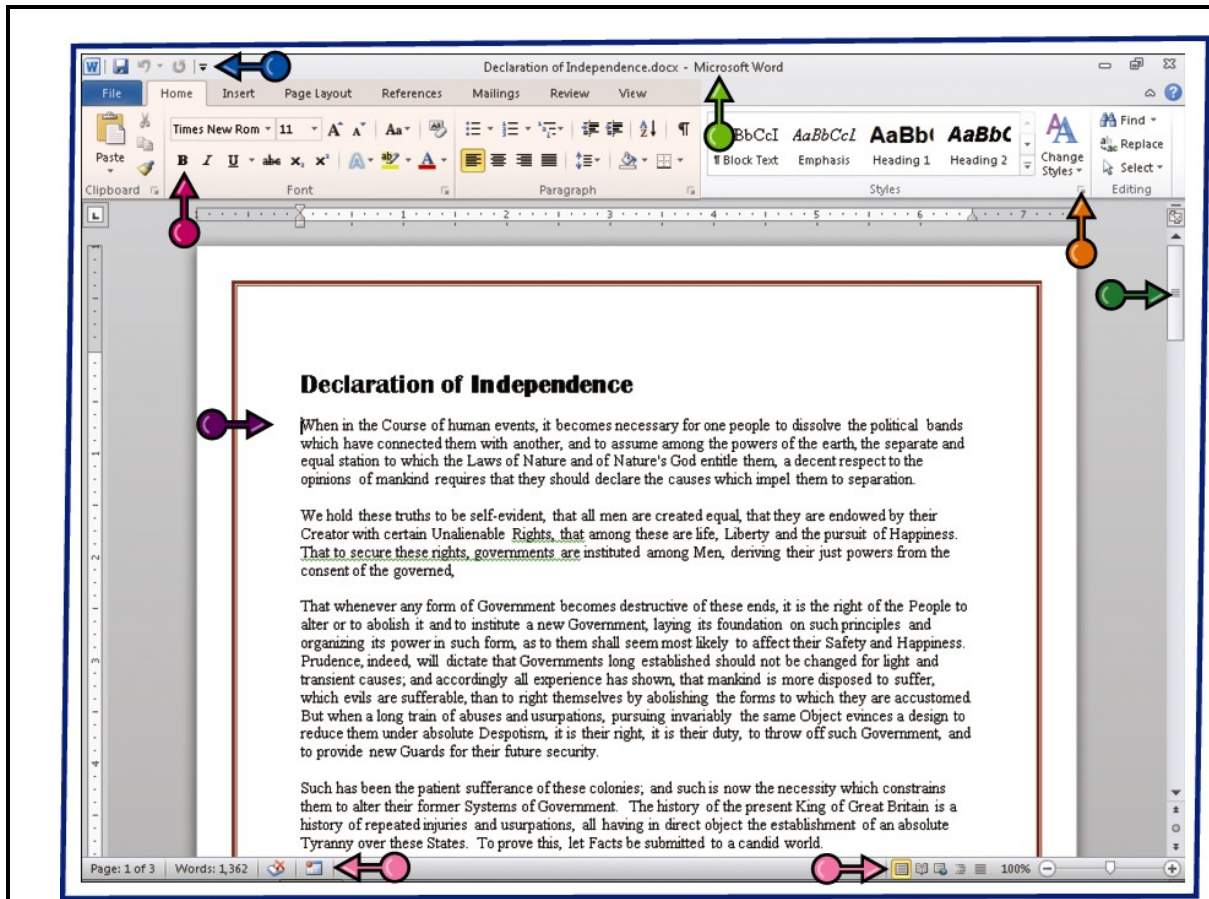
Quick Access Toolbar

Contains buttons that perform common actions, such as saving a document, undoing your last action, or repeating your last action. To customize, see Chapter 11.

Title Bar

Shows the program and document titles.

Ribbon

Contains commands organized in three components: tabs, groups, and commands. **Tabs** appear across the top of the Ribbon and contain groups of related commands. **Groups** organize related commands; each group name appears below the group on the Ribbon. **Commands** appear within each group. To customize the Ribbon, see Chapter 11.

Dialog Box Launcher

Appears in the lower-right corner of many groups on the Ribbon. Clicking this button opens a dialog box or task pane that provides more options.

Status Bar

Displays document information as well as the insertion point location. From left to right, this bar contains the number of the page on which the insertion point currently appears, the total number of pages and words in the document, the proofing errors button (⊞), the macro recording status button, the View buttons, and the Zoom Slider. To customize the Status Bar, see Chapter 11.

Document Area

The area where you type. The flashing vertical bar — called the *insertion point* — represents the location where text will appear when you type.

Scroll Bar

Enables you to reposition the document window vertically. Drag the scroll box within the scroll bar or click the scroll bar arrows (▲ and ▼).

Work with Backstage View

Clicking the File tab opens the Backstage view, which resembles a menu. The Backstage view in Word 2010 replaces the Office button in Word 2007 and, for the most part, the File menu in many earlier versions of Word.
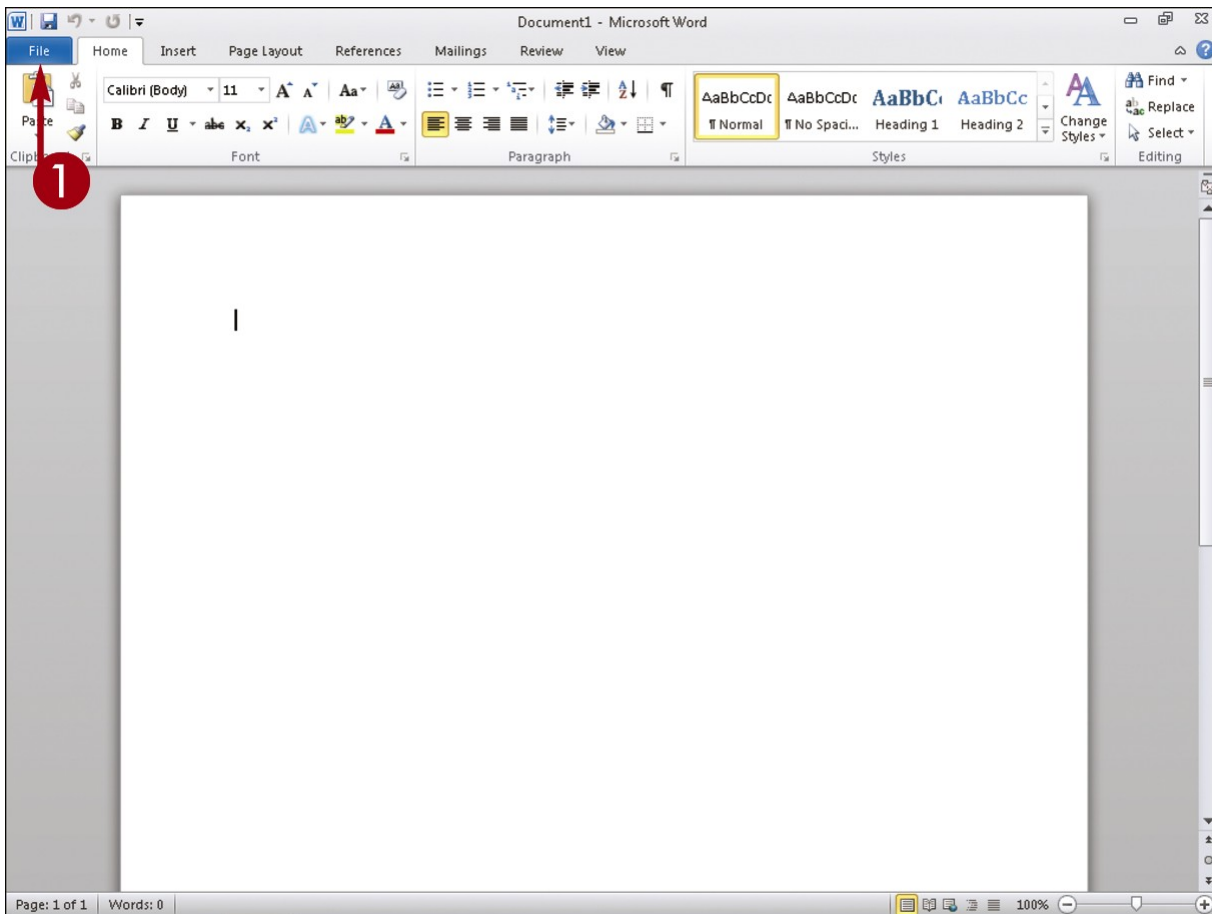
In the Backstage view, you find a list of actions — commands — you can use to manage files and program options. For example, from the Backstage view you can open, save, print, and remove sensitive information from documents. You also can distribute documents via e-mail or post them to a blog, and set Word program behavior options.

Work with Backstage View

❶ Click the **File** tab.
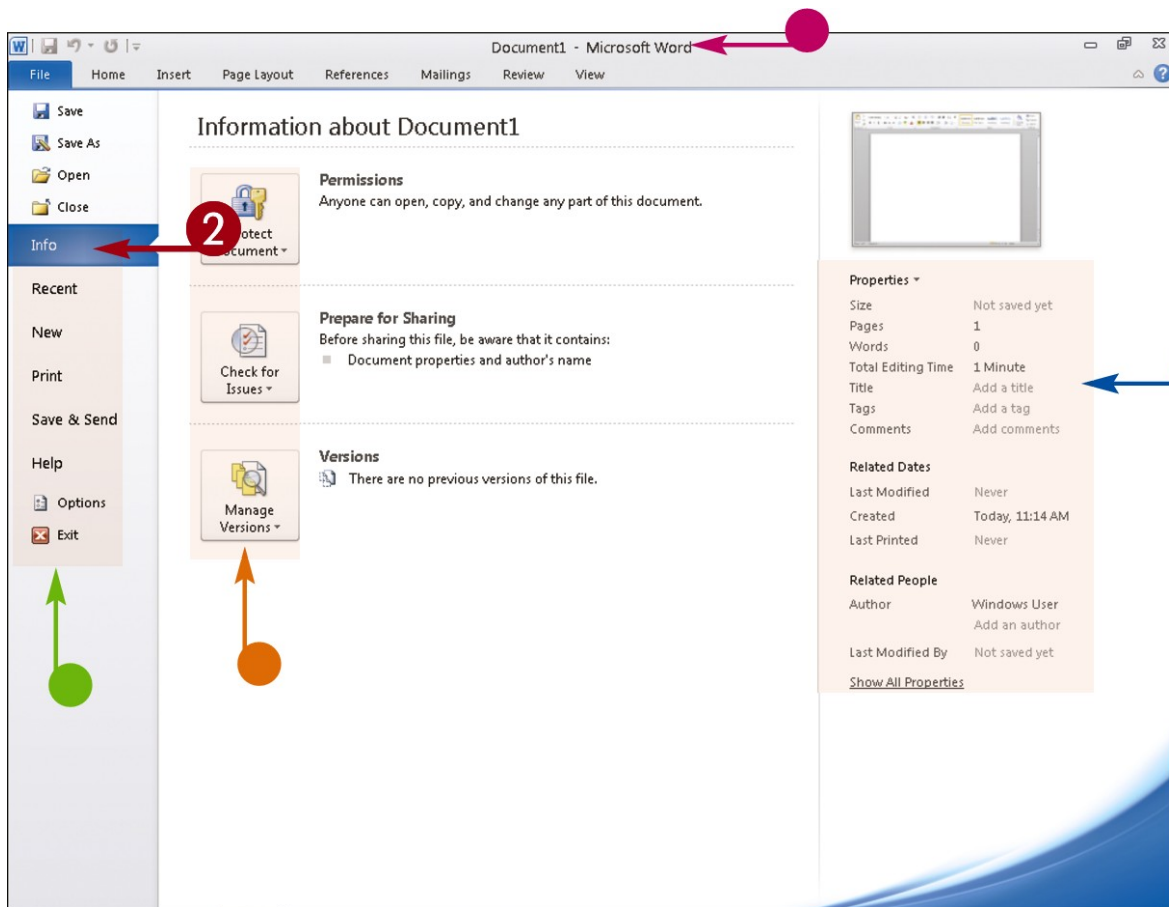
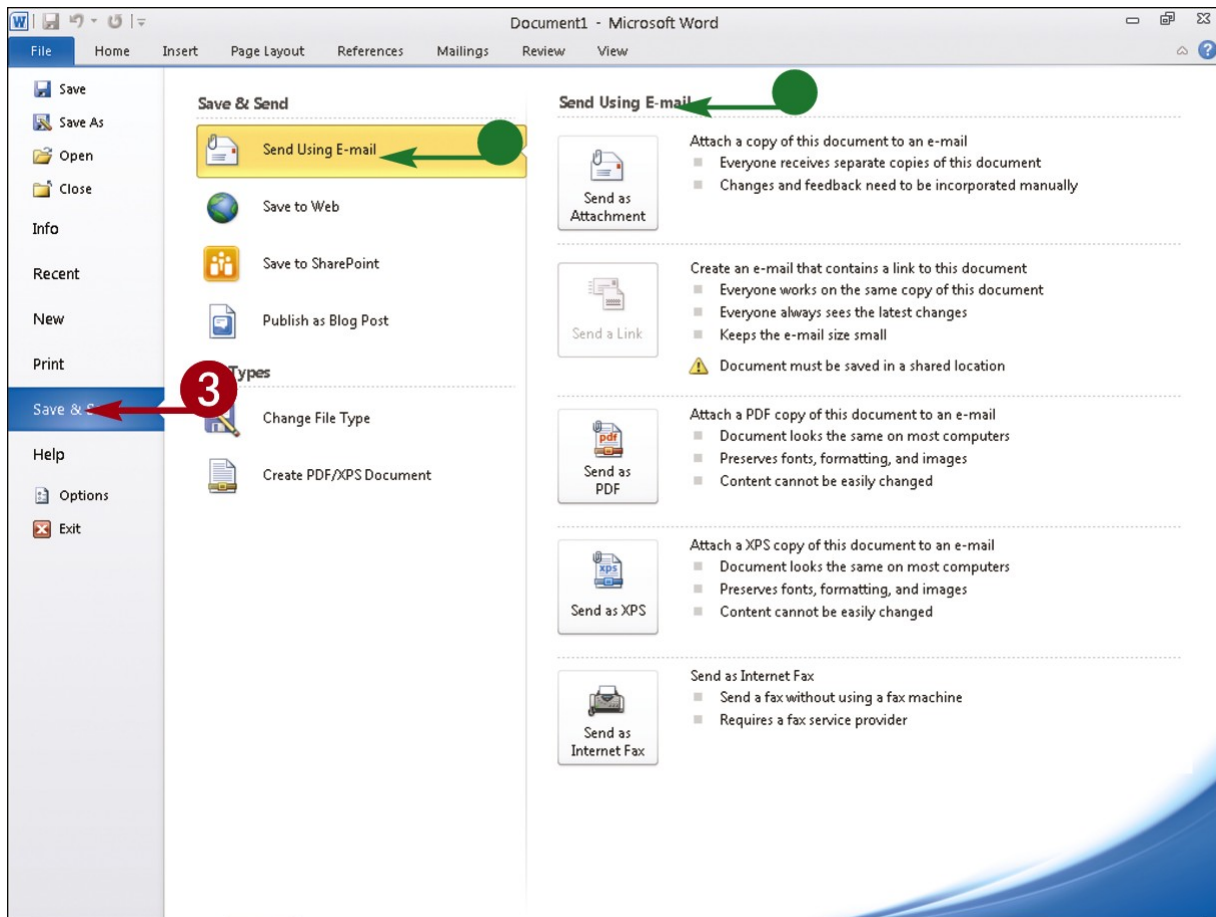- In the Backstage view, commonly used file and program-management commands appear here.

- The title of the open document appears here.

- Information about the currently open document appears here.

- Buttons appear that you can click.

❷ Click Info.

❸ Click an option in the left column; this example shows the results of clicking Save & Send, which contains commands that help you share Word documents.

● As you click a button in the Send column, the information shown to the right changes.
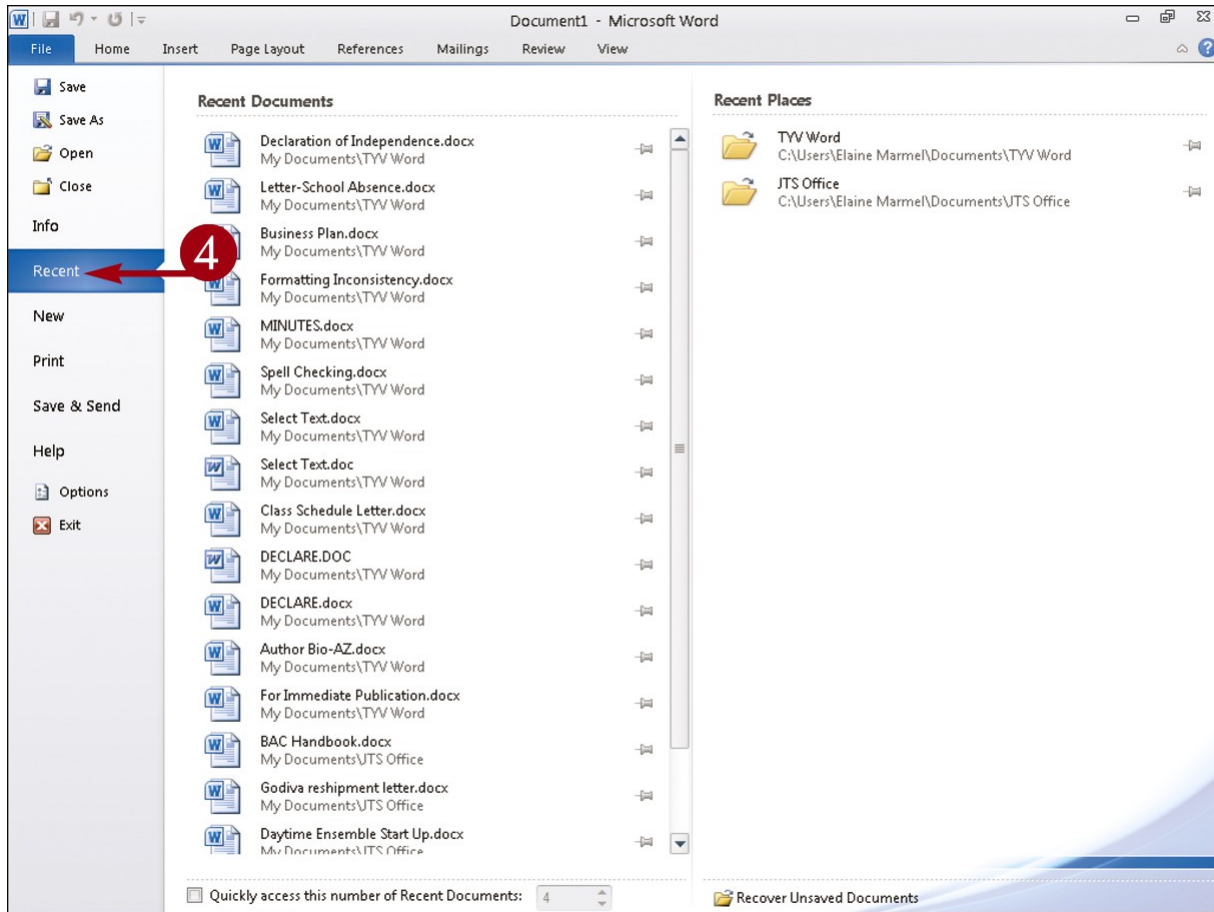
❹ Repeat Step 3 until you find the command you want to use; this example shows the results of clicking **Recent**, which displays up to the last 25 documents opened. To select a document in this list to open it, see Chapter 2.

Is there a way to return to working in Word without making any selections in Backstage