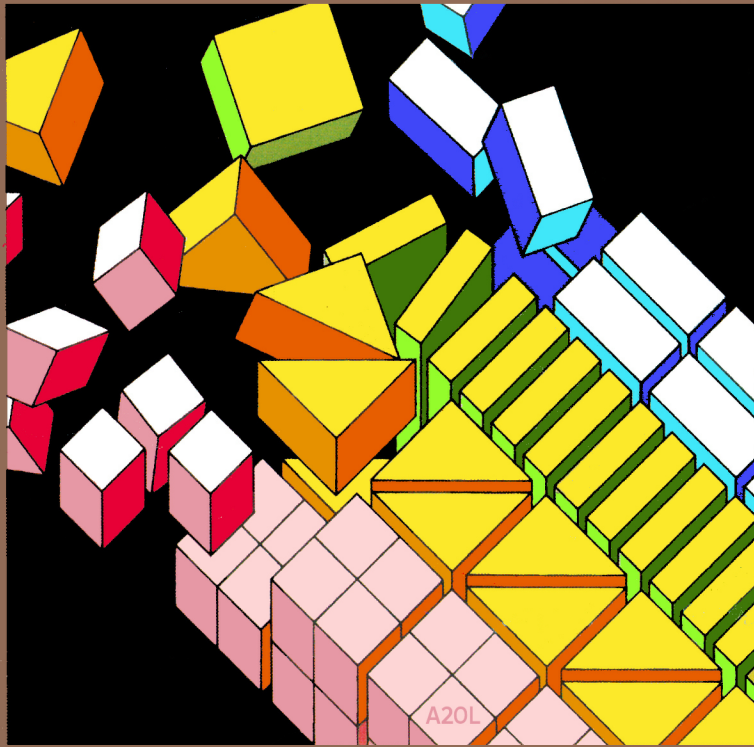


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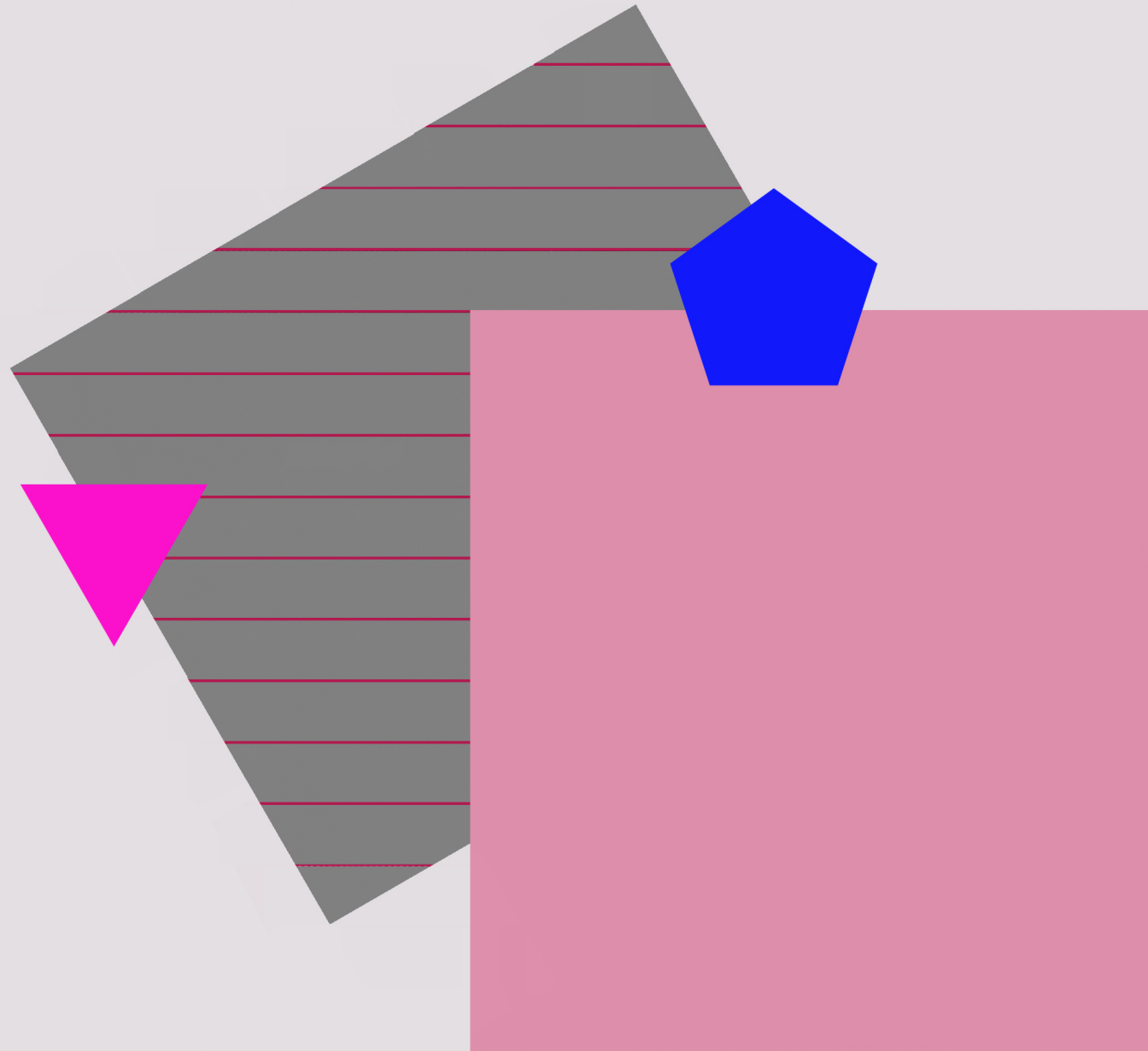


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About the Quick File II Manual

This manual explains how to use Quick File with your Apple IIe computer. It is written for people who have had no experience using computers.

Chapter 1 is an introduction to Quick File. Chapters 2 through 9 take you step by step through some of Quick File's features. As you work with the chapters, you will also work with the sample files on the data disk that goes with this manual. Each chapter is self-contained, so you can stop at the end of each one if you want.

Chapter 10 is a reference guide describing all the features of Quick File II. The appendix explains how to transfer Quick File reports to Apple Writer IIe.

The index and the Quick File II Reference Card at the end of this manual are handy sources of information, as are Quick File's HELP displays. You can get help information by pressing the **⌘** key and **?** when the **␣A-? f o r H e l p** message appears in the bottom right corner of a Quick File display.

A reader response card appears at the back of this manual. Please fill it out after you've had some experience using Quick File II.

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- Notes in the margins reinforce new terms or point to useful information contained elsewhere in this manual.

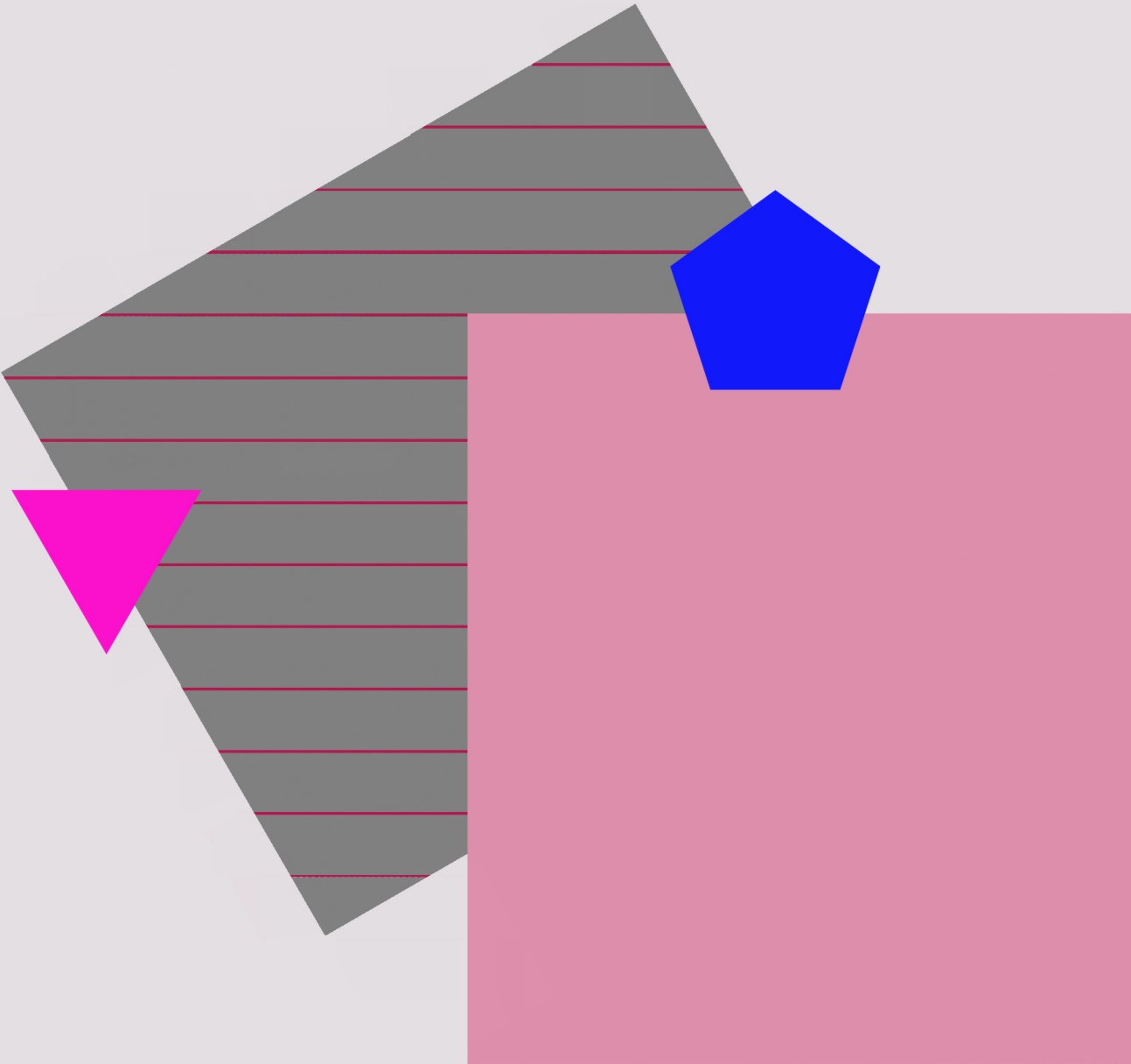
After you finish this manual, you will have had practical experience using Quick File II. You will know how to:

- Keep information in Quick File files up to date by adding, deleting, and rearranging information whenever you want.
- Display information on your screen.
- Print written reports that include the information you want, formatted the way you want it.

Before you begin using Quick File II, you should read the sections of the *Apple IIe Owner's Manual* that explain how to set up your Apple IIe and how to use the DOS 3.3 System Master disk to make backup copies of disks.

Quick File Fast Lane: If you want to speed by any or all of the tutorial information in this manual, you can take the Quick File Fast Lane:

1. Read Chapter 1 to learn some basic information about Quick File.
2. Read Chapter 9 to learn how to create your own files.
3. Use Chapter 10 for reference on how to use all Quick File features.



Getting Started

This chapter answers basic questions about Quick File II:

- What is Quick File?
- What kinds of information can it organize?
- What are its main features?
- How does it work?
- How do I set up my system?
- How do I start up Quick File?
- What should I watch out for?

What Is Quick File?

Quick File is an easy-to-use system that applies the power of the Apple IIe to your needs for organized and up-to-date information. With Quick File you can

- Organize your jumbled and hard-to-find information
- Keep it current in one centrally located and easily accessible place
- Browse through it whenever you want
- Print written reports to your specifications

Quick File makes staying organized seem more like fun than work.

What Kinds of Information Can Quick File Organize?

People from all occupations use Quick File successfully to organize a variety of information. Quick File helps its users organize

- Expense accounts
- Travel itineraries

- Appointments and ticklers
- Budgets
- Inventories—business and household
- Job status reports
- Business contacts
- Recipes
- Invoices
- Personnel reports

One of Quick File's best features is that it's simple to use. A few hours with your Apple IIe, Quick File, and this manual and you will be on your way toward successfully managing your business and household information.

What Are Quick File's Main Features?

Quick File's main features let you

- Show information on the screen in the way that's most meaningful to you
- Arrange (sort) information in any order
- Select and print or display on the screen only the information that matches certain conditions
- Create written report formats so information is printed the way you want it
- Calculate new information based on existing information
- Change existing information, add new information, and discard out-of-date information whenever you want
- Change the way a file is organized

These features and the others you'll discover give you complete flexibility in managing your information.

How Does Quick File Work?

Rather than storing information in files in a file cabinet, Quick File stores your information in files on a disk.

Using Quick File is very similar to getting a file from your file cabinet, looking through it to find information you need, changing inaccurate or out-of-date information, creating written reports describing information in the file, and then returning the file to the file cabinet again.

Of course, the Apple IIe and Quick File replace the file cabinet. They make it much easier both to find and to use the information you need.

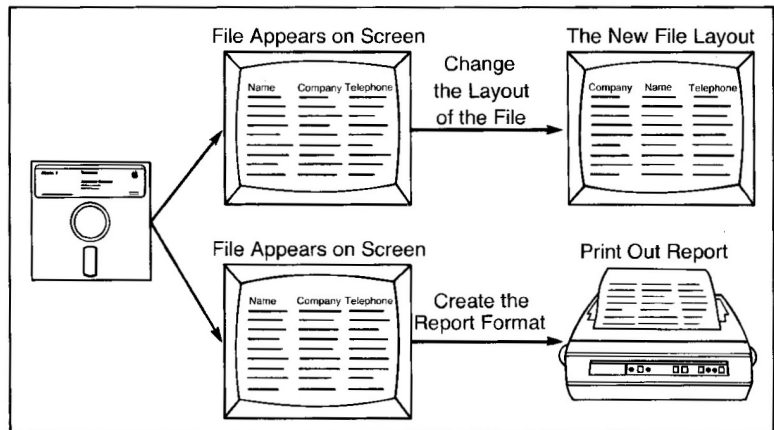
Figure 1-1 shows how Quick File works. It shows how

The **record layout** determines what information appears on the screen and how that information is displayed.

The **report format** determines what information is included in a printed report and how that information is displayed.

- Information comes from a Quick File file and is displayed in a record layout that you have designed. You can then browse through the information in your file, adding, changing, and deleting information as necessary.
- The same information comes from a Quick File file and is printed in a report format that you have designed. Quick File prints reports either in a labels-style (vertical) format or in a tables-style format (in rows and columns).

Figure 1-1. How Quick File Works



The information, the record formats, and the report layouts are always under your control. You can change them whenever you want, and then save them back in the Quick File file, to make the changes permanent.

What Equipment Do I Need?

Before you start using Quick File, you must have the following:

- An Apple IIe computer
- Two or more Disk II drives
- One disk controller card for every two disk drives
- The Quick File II program disk
- The Quick File II sample files disk

To make maximum use of Quick File you also need

- A printer. Quick File is set to run with a Silentype Qume Sprint 5 printer.
- Either an 80-Column Text Card or an Extended Card. (Both cards give you 80 columns of text; you can see more of a record on the screen at one time. The Extended 80-Column Text Card provides more so that you can store three times as much information.)

Using a 40-Column Display: Quick File works with a 40-column display but you see less information on the screen. The instructions in this manual apply whether you are using Quick File with a 40-column display or with an 80-column display.

How Should I Set Up My System?

Before you begin using Quick File, you should make sure your system is set up like this:

- The disk controller card for drives 1 and 2 is in slot 6.
- If you have more than two drives, the disk controller card for drives 3 and 4 is in slot 5, and the card for drives 5 and 6 is in slot 4.
- The printer card is in slot 1.

Complete instructions for setting up your system are included in the *Apple IIe Owner's Manual*.

What Should I Do First?

Your two Quick File disks—the Quick File II program disk (the disk that contains the Quick File program), and the sample files disk—are “write-protected” so that the information on them can't be changed.

Before you do anything else, it is very important that you make copies of both Quick File disks. The *Apple IIe Owner's Manual* tells you how to do this. After you have made your copies, put the two originals in a safe place and work from your copies.

In addition to copying your original disks to make working disks, you should make it a habit to back up your data disk regularly. It's always important to have a recent copy of Quick File data disks, stored in a safe place away from dust, magnetic fields, and temperature extremes.

Reusing Sample Files: As you make your way through this manual, you will be changing information in the sample files. If you want to use the original sample files again—maybe to show a friend how to use Quick File—make another copy of the original sample files, and work from the new copy.

How Do I Start Up Quick File?

To start up Quick File, follow these instructions:

1. Put the Quick File program disk into drive 1.

The picture below shows how.



2. Put the sample files disk into the second disk drive.

Again, the picture shows how to do this.



3. Turn on the monitor if it is off.

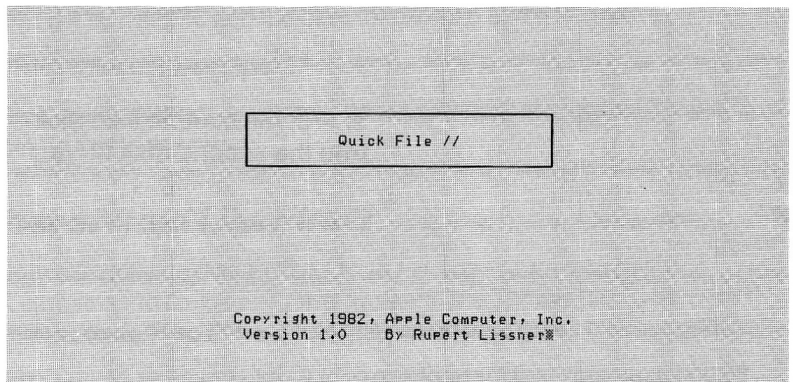
4. Turn on the Apple IIe if it is off. Press **CONTROL** and **RESET** if it is already on.

In some cases you may have to turn the Apple IIe off and then on again if **CONTROL** **RESET** does not cause Quick File to start up.

The on/off switch is around the left rear corner of the computer.



Now Quick File starts up, and presents the Quick File title display:



After that, Quick File presents the FILE CATALOG, which is a list of files on the data disk in drive 2, in this case your sample files disk.

File: None FILE CATALOG Escape: Main Menu

File Name	Records	Date	File Name	Records	Date
1. Sue's Business Cards	20	SEP 19 82			
2. June Expenses	13	SEP 19 82			
3. Pasta Personnel	16	SEP 19 82			
4. Supply Vendors	20	SEP 19 82			
5. Real Estate	20	SEP 19 82			
6. Press List	10	SEP 19 82			

Type selection and press Return.⌘

Your screen will appear as shown here and throughout this manual if you are using an 80-Column Text Card. If you aren't, your display will show less information or the information will be arranged differently.

Instead of displaying the FILE CATALOG, Quick File may show the following display:

File: None

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Disk drive for file catalog? ⌘

If Quick File shows this display,

The reason may be:

Your sample files disk isn't inserted, it isn't inserted properly, or you have inserted the wrong disk in the second disk drive.

Then you should:

Check the second disk drive:
Have you inserted the right disk? It should be the sample files disk.
Is it inserted properly?

Is the door shut?

After solving the problem, type **2** and press **(RETURN)**.

This tells Quick File to look again in the second disk drive for your data.

You are starting a new data disk.

Read the section in Chapter 9 on starting a new data disk.

After you have successfully started up Quick File and have gotten the FILE CATALOG on the screen, you may either

- Read the rest of this chapter, and then begin the tutorial in Chapter 2, or
- Read the rest of this chapter and then turn to Chapter 9 to learn how to create your own Quick File file.

What Should I Watch Out For?

It's important that you understand at this point how friendly and forgiving Quick File is. Quick File was designed to take care of human mistakes, so you don't have to worry about making them.

Quick File helps you through all activities:

- It always tells you where you are
- It always tells you where you're going

And it makes a provision for bailing out. Whatever you're doing, if you think you shouldn't be doing it, bail out. That is, press the **(ESCAPE)** key. Quick File takes you out of that activity and back to more familiar territory.

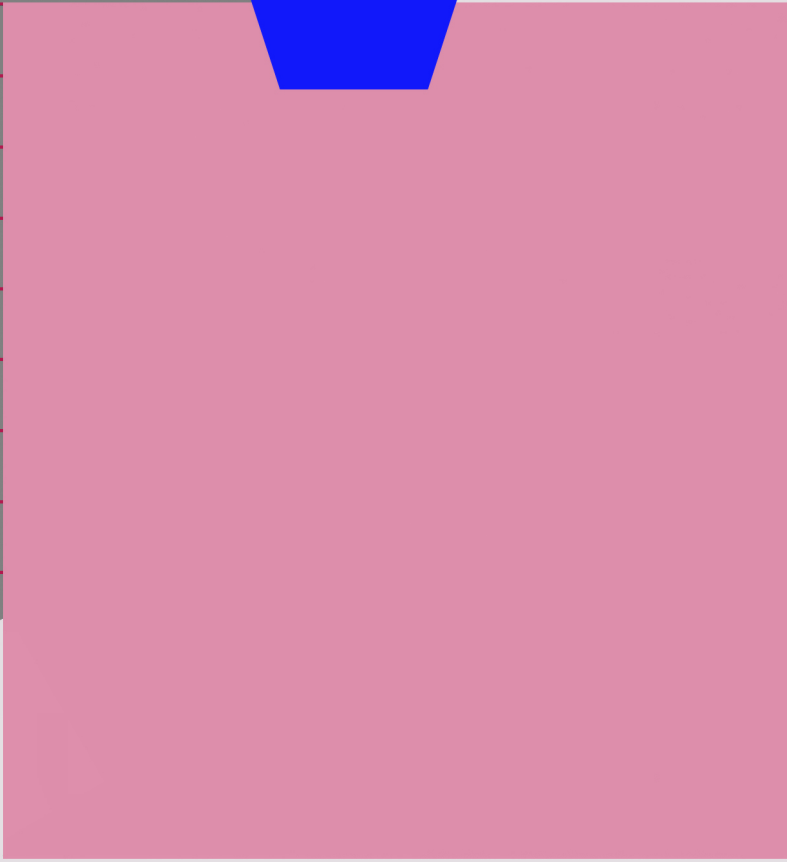
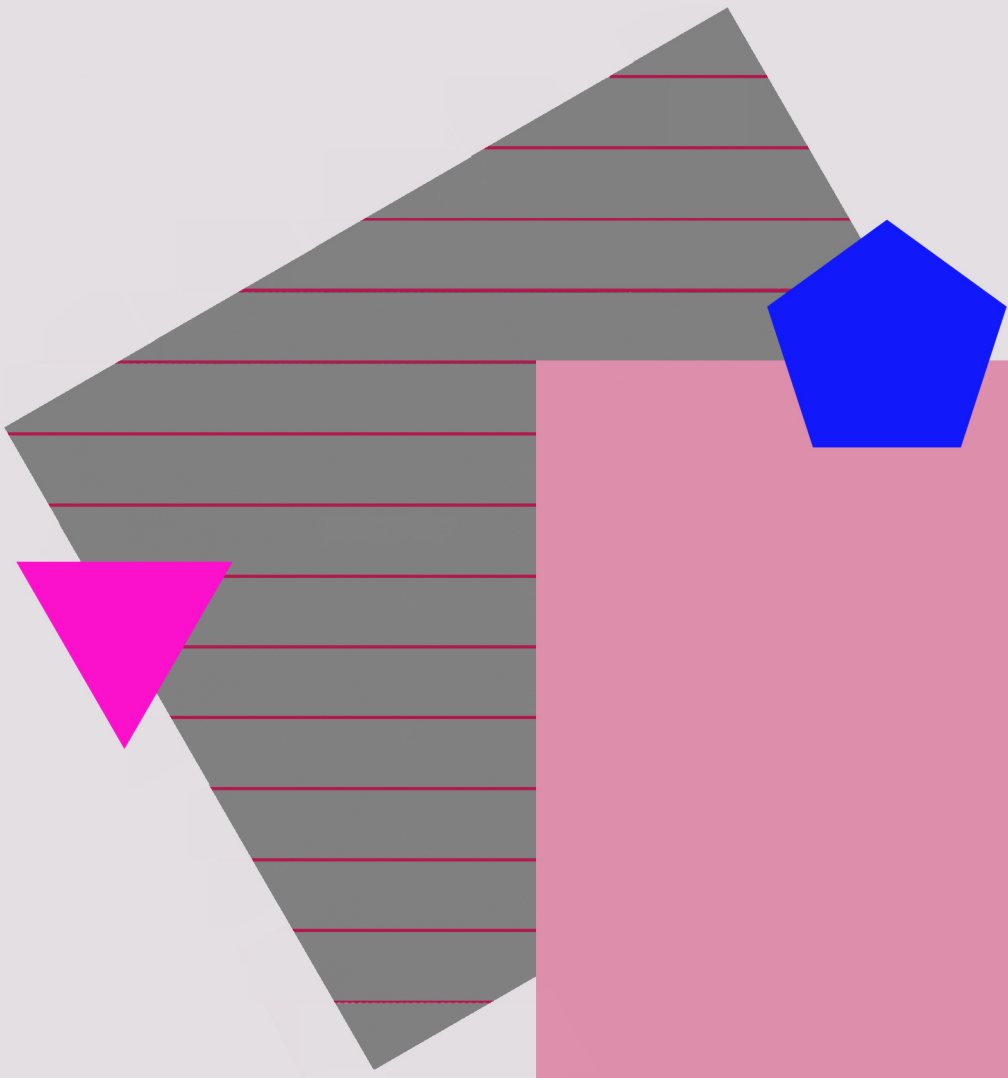
Another Quick File safety precaution: Quick File always knows when you have made changes to a file, and always asks you if you want to save the changed file before it lets you get another file. You can't throw away new information without meaning to do so.

Pressing **(ESCAPE)** returns you to the previous menu.

In fact, you can't do any damage without meaning to do so. As Quick File follows your instructions, it always knows when what you are about to do will have serious implications. And it always asks you to double check: Is that really what you want to do? You must confirm, yes or no.

One of the first experiences you may have with Quick File may be auditory: you may hear a beep. Understand that Quick File doesn't mean the beep to be unfriendly. It means, "The information you gave me or the key you pressed wasn't appropriate. Try again."

So now, gather your wits about you, take a deep breath, and prepare for an adventure.



Quick File Basics

This chapter shows how to use some of Quick File's features and how to understand some of Quick File's basic concepts.

Specifically, the chapter explains how to

- Select a file from the Quick File FILE CATALOG
- Move the cursor on the screen
- Zoom in and out of files
- Ask Quick File for help

The chapter ends with a chapter summary.

The sample file called **Sue's Business Cards** is used to illustrate the concepts and features.

The FILE CATALOG

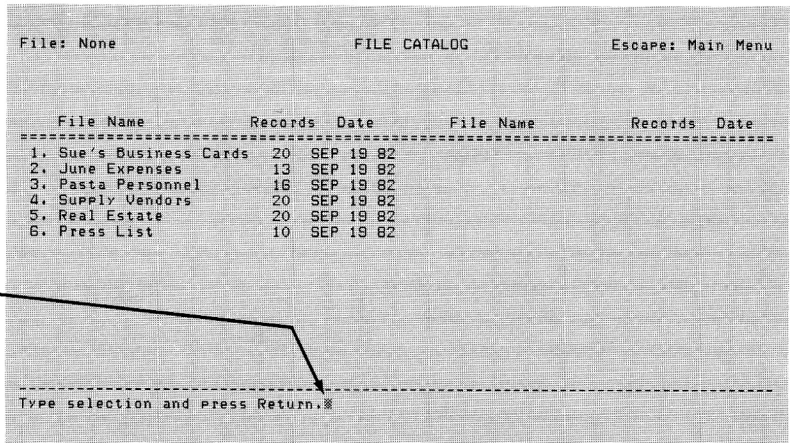
The first display you see when you start up Quick File is the **FILE CATALOG**. The FILE CATALOG is a list or directory of the files available to you on the data disk in drive 2.

A file is a collection of similar information. A list of all the parts a company manufactures and how much each part costs to produce might be contained in a file. Your appointments and your business cards would probably not be contained in the same file. Most of the time you can tell what kind of information is in a file by reading its name.

The files whose names you see now in the FILE CATALOG are files created for you to practice with while you are learning how to use Quick File. You'll be practicing with some of these files in this chapter as well as in Chapters 3 through 8. In Chapter 9, you'll learn how to create your own files.

The **FILE CATALOG** is a list of the Quick File files that are available for you to choose from.

When the FILE CATALOG is displayed, you can choose which file you want to work with.



File: None FILE CATALOG Escape: Main Menu

File Name	Records	Date	File Name	Records	Date
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4. Supply Vendors	20	SEP 19 82			
5. Real Estate	20	SEP 19 82			
6. Press List	10	SEP 19 82			

Type selection and Press Return.*

The cursor waits for you to enter your choice of files.

Remember all screens pictured in this manual show an 80-column display. If you don't have an 80-column display your screen won't always match the one shown.

1. Enter the file number, in this case, **1**.
2. Press **RETURN**.

You want to get Sue's Business Cards file first.

RETURN means, "Carry out the instruction or use the information I have just given."

In this case, it means, "Get the file whose number I have just entered, and display it on the screen."

The information in the file you selected, Sue's Business Cards, is displayed on the screen immediately.

You can think of any file, including Sue's Business Cards, as a book of information. The information now displayed on the screen is the first page of information. Instead of leafing through the pages manually, as you would with a book, you browse through the information in the file by pressing special keys to move the cursor where you want it. The next section tells how to do that.

Moving the Cursor

This section and the rest of this chapter explains how to move the cursor so that you can see any part of the file you want to. The next chapter shows you how to actually change information in the file.

Look at the screen. Notice that the cursor is on the first letter of the first line of information in the file.

File: Sue's Business Cards REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE Escape: File Menu
Selection: All records

Last Name	First Name	Off. Phone	Company	Title
Aaron	Julie	408-194-3652	Bluhman, Fuller, Smit	Associate
Atkins	Bill	408-104-0094	Edwards, Ferris, Aloy	Partner
Black	Loretta	415-555-2345	San Mateo Co. Atty.	Prosecutor
Bowyer	Bob	408-195-4543	Bowyer, Bowman and Bo	Partner
Bradshaw	Horace	408-174-3948	Headlines Hair Styl.	Owner
Brown	T. E.	408-555-2936	Tan-a-Lot Salon	Owner
Burman	Barney	408-555-3948	Burman Data Products	Owner
Carty	Alex	408-194-2700	Financ. Msmt. Assoc.	Tax Consultant
Jacobsen	Chuck	408-184-3828	Cup. Hans Gliders	Owner
Julian	John	408-194-5968	Calif. Hot Tubs	Manager
Lake	Michael	408-174-2039	S.J. Juvenile Dept.	Parole Officer
Mussman	Al	408-104-5867	Mussman Transmissions	Owner
Newmark	Laura	415-157-9774	Calif. Publ. Inst.	Research Assoc.
Peters	Dr. Elaine	408-555-2741	S. V. Pet Hospital	Veterinarian
Shaffer	Dr. Dave	408-555-1827	-	Doctor

Type entries or use DA options. DA-? for Help

Cursor →

1. Press **(TAB)**.

Move the cursor to the next piece of information.

Cursor moves to the first letter of the next piece of information.

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Type entries or use DA options. DA-? for Help

Cursor →

2. Press **TAB** for a second or two.

Move the cursor quickly over several pieces of information.

You'll soon learn how long to hold down **TAB** to get the cursor where you want it. Notice that the cursor moves across the line and then to the beginning of the next line.

3. Find the **⌘** key.

This is the key just to the left of the space bar.

The **⌘** Key: The **⌘** key is called the Open-Apple key. It's always used by holding it down while you type another key, to call up a variety of useful Quick File features.

Using the **TAB** key

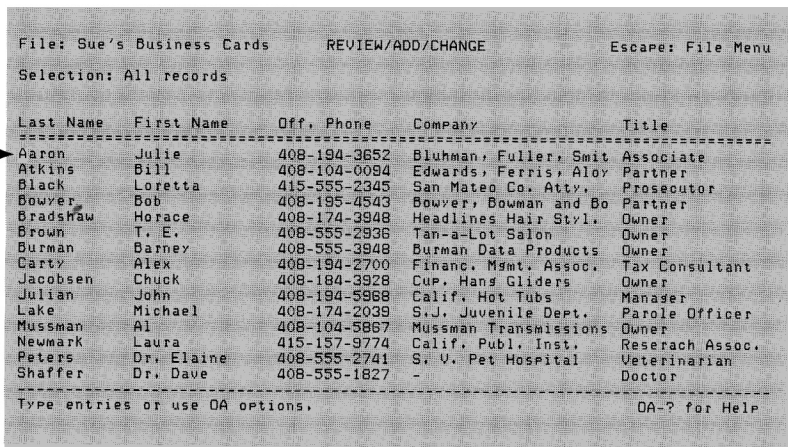
4. Press the **⌘** key and type **TAB** at the same time.

Move the cursor back one piece of information.

5. Hold down the **⌘** key and **TAB** until the cursor stops at the left margin and your Apple IIe beeps at you.

Move the cursor all the way back to the first piece of information.

The cursor is in its original spot.



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6. Press **TAB** again.

Move the cursor one piece of information to the right again.

The cursor should be on the first letter of the second piece of information.

Using the **↑** and **↓** keys

7. Press **↓**.

Move the cursor down one line.

8. Press **↑**.

Move it back up.

Mini-Summary: These keys work when the cursor is on the first letter or number of a piece of information:

Move the cursor to the next piece of information **TAB**

Move the cursor backwards one piece of information **⌂** and **TAB**

Move the cursor down one piece of information **↓**

Move the cursor up one piece of information **↑**

Using the **←** and **→** keys

9. Press **→** several times, until the cursor stops.

Move the cursor to the right from letter to letter within a piece of information.

10. Press **←** several times, until the cursor stops, the Apple IIe beeps at you, and **QA-? for HELP** appears at the lower right of your screen.

Move the cursor to the left from letter to letter within a piece of information.

When you use **→** to get to the end of a piece of information, you can use **←** to back up to the first letter.

Then you can use any cursor movement techniques you have learned.

11. Press the **⌂** key and type **E**.

The cursor moves to the end of the file, which is the last page in your book of information.

12. Press the **⌂** key and type **B**.

The cursor moves back to the beginning of the file.

13. Press the **⌂** key and type **↓**.

The cursor moves to the top line on the next page of information.

14. Press the **⌂** key and type **↑**.

The cursor moves to the top line on the previous page of information.

Paging: When you hold down the **⌂** key and **↑** or **↓**, you “page” through the file, backwards or forwards. That means Quick File presents page after page of information, quickly. This feature is handy for moving the cursor through a long file.

Mini-Summary: These sets of keys move the cursor among pages in the file:

Move the cursor to the end of the file ⌘ and ⌵

Move the cursor to the beginning of the file ⌘ and ⌴

Move the cursor forward a page ⌘ and ⌵

Move the cursor back a page ⌘ and ⌴

Some Terminology

Now that you have learned to move the cursor within a file, it's time to learn some terminology. You already know that Sue's Business Cards is a file. But instead of talking about "pieces of information" and such, it's time you learned to talk in Quick File language!

Here is some terminology:

- A line of information, such as all the information about Julie Aaron, is a record.
- One kind of information, such as last name, first name, or office phone, is a category.
- A piece of information, such as "Julie", or "Aaron", or "408-194-3652", is an entry.
- A letter or number, such "J" or "4", is a character.

And that's all there is to it.

The following screen illustrates these terms. Several other important areas on this screen are also highlighted.

This area always tells you what Quick File feature you are using now. Thus, at this point, you can review, add, and change records.

This area tells you what section in the Quick File program you go to when you press the **(ESCAPE)** key.

This means that all Sue's Business Cards are displayed, not just specific ones.

Category

Character

Entry

Record

File Name

File: Sue's Business Cards REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE Escape: File Menu

Selection: All records

Last Name	First Name	Off. Phone	Company	Title
Aaron	Julie	408-194-3652	Bluhman, Fuller, Smit	Associate
Atkins	Bill	408-104-0094	Edwards, Ferris, Aloy	Partner
Black	Loretta	415-555-2345	San Mateo Co. Atty.	Prosecutor
Bowyer	Bob	408-195-4543	Bowyer, Bowman and Bo	Partner
Bradshaw	Horace	408-174-3948	Headlines Hair Styl.	Owner
Brown	T. E.	408-555-2936	Tan-a-Lot Salon	Owner
Burman	Barney	408-555-3948	Burman Data Products	Owner
Carty	Alex	408-194-2700	Financ. Mgmt. Assoc.	Tax Consultant
Jacobsen	Chuck	408-184-3928	Cup. Hans Gliders	Owner
Julian	John	408-194-5968	Calif. Hot Tubs	Manager
Lake	Michael	408-174-2039	S.J. Juvenile Dept.	Parole Officer
Mussman	Al	408-104-5867	Mussman Transmissions	Owner
Newmark	Laura	415-157-9774	Calif. Publ. Inst.	Reserach Assoc.
Peters	Dr. Elaine	408-555-2741	S. V. Pet Hospital	Veterinarian
Shaffer	Dr. Dave	408-555-1827	-	Doctor

Type entries or use DA options. DA-? for Help

The Quick File Road Map: The areas on the screen that tell you

- The Quick File feature you are using now, and
- What section of the Quick File program you go to if you press the **(ESCAPE)** key

are the Quick File road map. By checking these areas, you always know where you are and where **(ESCAPE)** takes you.

Zooming In and Zooming Out

Multiple-record layout lets you look at up to 15 records at the same time.
Single-record layout lets you examine the complete contents of a single record.

Quick File can display records in two ways: in **multiple-record layout** and in **single-record layout**. You see Sue's Business Cards in multiple-record layout now on your screen. Quick File displays up to 15 records, line after line, in multiple-record layout. Thus the name, "multiple-record layout." As you can guess, single-record layout displays only one record.

To get from multiple-record to single-record layout, you "zoom in", and to get from single-record layout to multiple-record layout, you "zoom out". This section tells you how.

1. Put the cursor on the first character of any entry in Julie Aaron's record, which is the first record in the file.

2. Press **[C]** and **[Z]**.

Surprise! More information!

This additional information includes Ms. Aaron's home phone number, street address, city/state/zip, and a miscellaneous category—good for relevant comments. As you can see, single-record layout in this case shows more categories than multiple-record layout.

```
File: Sue's Business Cards      REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE      Escape: File Menu
Selection: All records

Record 1 of 20      Additional: 80
-----
Last Name: Aaron
First Name: Julie
Off. Phone: 408-194-3652
Company: Bluhman, Fuller, Smith
Title: Associate
Street Address: 4837 Hill Drive
City/State/Zip: San Jose, CA 94837
Home Phone: 408-193-4956
Misc.: Personal Injury Specialist
-----
Type entries or use OA options.      OA-? for Help
```

3. Press **[RETURN]** three or four times.

Move the cursor through Ms. Aaron's record.

4. Press **[C]** and type **[↓]**.

You get the next record in single-record layout.

Again, you are turning a page in the book.

The cursor is on the same category in Mr. Atkins's record as it was on in Ms. Aaron's record.

5. Press **[C]** and type **[↑]**.

Go back to Ms. Aaron's record.

6. Press **[C]** and type **[Z]**.

Go back to the original REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE display, which shows records in multiple-record layout.

When you zoom back out to multiple-record layout, the cursor is always on the same record as it was on in single-record layout, in this case, on Ms. Aaron's record.

Single-record layout is useful for showing information not included in multiple-record layout. You'll see single-record layout again when you insert records into the file and when you create a file.

Asking for Help

Help is often available when you're using Quick File. Frequently the instructions at the top of the screen give you all the help you'll need. Other times, you'll need to ask Quick File to display helpful information. You can ask Quick File for help whenever you see the message `OA-? for HELP` in the bottom right corner of the screen.

1. Press the `⌘` key and type `?`. Ask for help.

You get the first HELP display for REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE, which looks like this:

```
File: Sue's Business Cards      HELP      Escape: Review/Add/Change

-----
Open Apple: This key is used to request
many of the special features of Quick
File //. For example, you can go to
the end of the list by pressing E while
you hold down Open Apple. This will be
shown as OA-E.

Escape: This key can be used to erase
an entry or leave what you are doing.

The current file, Sue's Business Cards,
is recorded on disk as QFF.A

-----
Press Space Bar to continue. *
```

The display explains how the `⌘` key works with the other keys. It also explains `(ESCAPE)`, and it provides a message about the formal, Pascal name for the current file, which you don't need now.

The HELP displays tell you which keys to use to call up various REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE features. These features are explained in the next few chapters.

2. Press the space bar to get the next HELP display.

Continue to look through HELP displays until you return to Sue's Business Cards.

Memory Aids: The keys you press to call up Quick File features are called Open-Apple options. They are usually a set of keys composed of the `⌘` key and the letter key that reminds you of the Quick File feature you want. For example, Z reminds you of Zoom, B reminds you of Beginning of file, and E reminds you of End of file. That makes them easy to remember.

To get help, type `⌘?`.

Chapter 10 tells about Pascal names for Quick File files.

A complete explanation of the options that appear on the HELP display is in Chapter 10. The options are also summarized on the Quick File II Reference Card.

Leaving Quick File

The following instructions tell you how to leave Quick File. Follow the instructions even if you are going right to the next chapter.

1. **Press** `ESCAPE`. Quick File takes you to the FILE MENU. Don't worry about this term for a while. Your main task right now is to leave Quick File gracefully!
2. **Type** `6` **and press** `RETURN`. Quick File takes you to the MAIN MENU.
3. **Type** `7` **and press** `RETURN`. This ends your first Quick File session.
Congratulations!

Saving Changes: If you changed any information in Sue's Business Cards while working in this chapter, Quick File asks you if you want to save the changes before it takes you to the MAIN MENU.

You should respond that you want to throw out any changes you made (option 3 on the SAVE FILE MENU), and that you want to erase permanently any changes you made to the file (`Y` on the DOUBLE-CHECK ERASE display).

That way you will start Chapter 3 with the original file. In Chapter 3 you will learn all about saving changes.

The message on your screen now is `INSERT SYSTEM DISK AND RE-BOOT`. You can restart ("re-boot") Quick File by pressing the `CONTROL` key and `RESET`. Or you can remove the Quick File program disk and insert another Apple IIe program.












Summary

Terminology

FILE CATALOG	the display that lists all your Quick File files and lets you choose one
record	one collection or unit of information in a file
category	one kind of information in a file
entry	a piece of information in a record
character	a letter or number
REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE	the Quick File task that lets you browse through and change information
multiple-record layout	the Quick File record layout that shows many records on the screen, line after line
single-record layout	the Quick File record layout that shows one record only
zoom in, zoom out	the process of changing from multiple- to single-record layout and back again

Moving the Cursor

Move the cursor when it is on the first character of an entry:

To the next entry	
To the previous entry	 
To the entry below	
To the entry above	
To the end of the file	 
To the beginning of the file	 
To the next page of information	 

To the previous page of information



To page through a file

Hold down the key and hold down either or

Move the cursor regardless of its position in an entry:

From character to character to the right within an entry



From character to character to the left within an entry



Other Activities

Ask for help



Leaf through HELP displays

space bar

Leave HELP display early, return to REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE

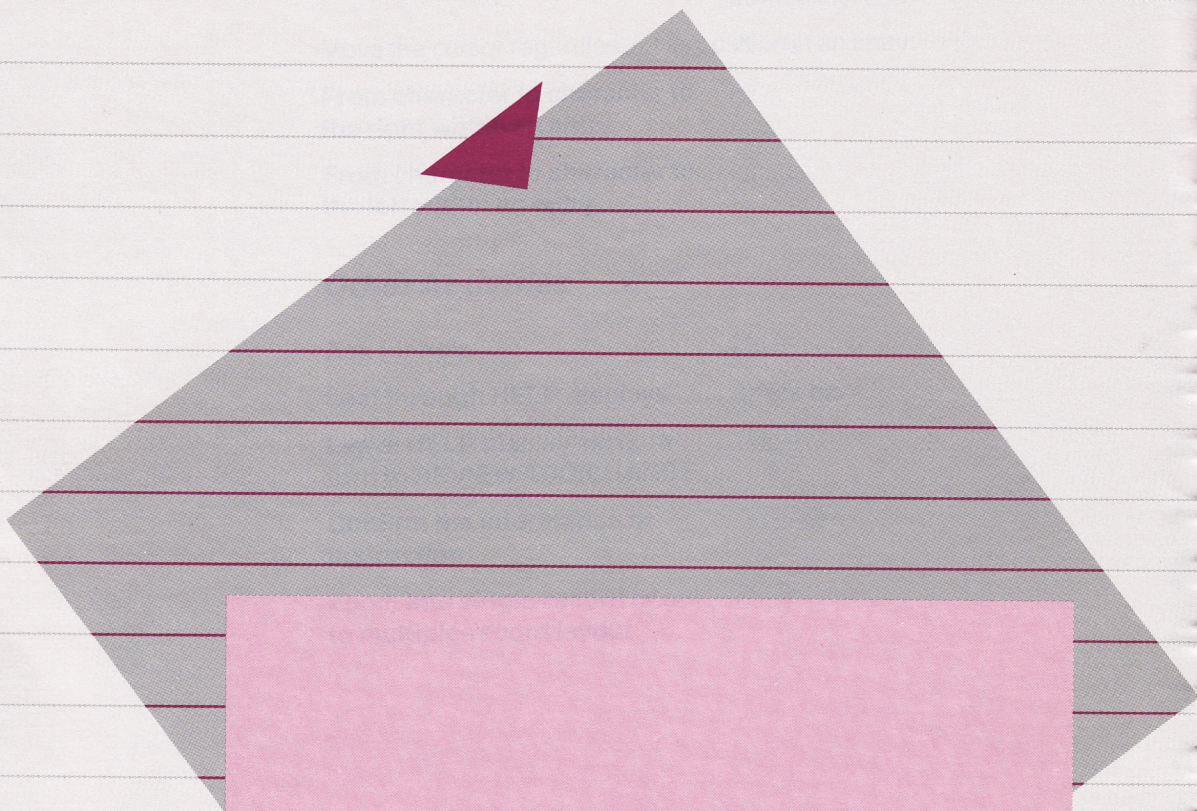


Confirm the information or instruction



Zoom into single-record or out to multiple-record layout





More Quick File Basics: Changing Information in a File

This chapter explains more Quick File basics. But instead of just moving the cursor, as you did in the last chapter, you'll actually be changing information in the file. You'll be using Sue's Business Cards again.

Chapter 3 tells you how to

- Change an entry
- Find records in the file
- Insert a record
- Arrange records
- Save changes

The chapter ends with a summary.

Changing an Entry

In this section you will learn how to change information in an entry. Before you do, though, you should get Sue's Business Cards again.

1. Start up Quick File and get the FILE CATALOG.

2. Type **1 to get Sue's Business Cards again. Press **RETURN**.**

That's easy enough!

Now, suppose you discover the office telephone number for Al Mussman has changed. You want to change the number within the business card file.

3. Press \downarrow until the cursor is on the first character of Al Mussman's last name.

4. Press [TAB] until the cursor is on the first character of Al Mussman's phone number.

Don't worry if you move the cursor too far! You can always move it back with the [C] key and [TAB] . It's good practice.

5. Enter 408-194-2918 and press [RETURN] .

Just enter the new number right over the old.

What to Enter: Whenever information you should enter (which means "type") is presented, it is printed in computer typeface or it is shown inside a key like this: [RETURN] .

Now Sue's Business Cards looks like this:

File: Sue's Business Cards REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE Escape: File Menu

Selection: All records

Last Name	First Name	Off. Phone	Company	Title
Aaron	Julie	408-194-3652	Bluhman, Fuller, Smit	Associate
Atkins	Bill	408-104-0094	Edwards, Ferris, Aloy	Partner
Black	Loretta	415-555-2345	San Mateo Co. Atty.	Prosecutor
Bowyer	Bob	408-195-4543	Bowyer, Bowman and Bo	Partner
Bradshaw	Horace	408-174-3948	Headlines Hair Styl.	Owner
Brown	T. E.	408-555-2936	Tan-a-Lot Salon	Owner
Burman	Barney	408-555-3948	Burman Data Products	Owner
Carty	Alex	408-194-2700	Financ. Mgmt. Assoc.	Tax Consultant
Jacobsen	Chuck	408-184-3928	Cup. Hans Gliders	Owner
Julian	John	408-194-5968	Calif. Hot Tubs	Manager
Lake	Michael	408-174-2039	S.J. Juvenile Dept.	Parole Officer
Mussman	Al	408-194-2918	Mussman Transmissions	Owner
Newmark	Laura	415-157-9774	Calif. Publ. Inst.	Reserach Assoc.
Peters	Dr. Elaine	408-555-2741	S. V. Pet Hospital	Veterinarian
Shaffer	Dr. Dave	408-555-1827	-	Doctor

Type entries or use DA options. DA-? for Help

New telephone number

How to Bail Out! Any time you make a mistake in the middle of an entry, press [ESCAPE] and not [RETURN] .

Quick File restores the original information and you can start over.

Now change another entry. Suppose Loretta Black has changed her last name.

6. Move the cursor to the first character of the Last Name entry, Black.

7. Now enter **Bowman (Ms. Black's new last name)** and press **RETURN**.

If the information you enter appears in all uppercase letters, check your **CAPS LOCK** key. It should be up if you want lowercase letters.

Then you remember her new last name is Bowson.

8. Use **↑** to get to **Bowman** again, and use **←** to get to **man** so you can enter **son** on top of it.

Watch out! If you use the space bar, you erase the letters that are there.

If you did erase letters, just use **←** to back up, or press **ESCAPE**. The erased letters reappear.

Use this technique to restore the original entry whenever you notice a mistake before you press **RETURN**.

9. Enter **son** on top of **man** and press **RETURN**.

Information about Loretta Bowson is up to date.

Whatever you enter before you press **RETURN** becomes the new entry.

Before you go on, compare Sue's Business Cards on your screen with the following screen to make sure you correctly entered the changes.

```
File: Sue's Business Cards          REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE          Escape: File Menu
Selection: All records

-----
Last Name  First Name  Off. Phone  Company                               Title
-----
Aaron      Julie       408-194-3652  Bluhman, Fuller, Smit                 Associate
Atkins     Bill        408-104-0094  Edwards, Ferris, Aloy                 Partner
Bowson     Loretta    415-555-2345  San Mateo Co. Atty.                   Prosecutor
Bowyer     Bob        408-195-4543  Bowyer, Bowman and Bo                 Partner
Bradshaw   Horace     408-174-3948  Headlines Hair Style                  Owner
Brown      T. E.      408-555-2936  Tan-a-Lot Salon                       Owner
Burman     Barney     408-555-3948  Burman Data Products                  Owner
Carty     Alex       408-194-2700  Financ. Mgmt. Assoc.                  Tax Consultant
Jacobsen   Chuck      408-184-3928  Gup, Hans Gliders                     Owner
Julian     John       408-194-5968  Calif. Hot Tubs                       Manager
Lake       Michael    408-174-2039  S.J. Juvenile Dept.                   Parole Officer
Mussman    Al         408-194-2918  Mussman Transmissions                 Owner
Newmark    Laura     415-157-9774  Calif. Publ. Inst.                    Research Assoc.
Peters     Dr. Elaine 408-555-2741  S. V. Pet Hospital                    Veterinarian
Shaffer    Dr. Dave   408-555-1827  -                                       Doctor
-----
Type entries or use OA options.          OA-? for Help
```

You can also change entries when you have zoomed in to single-record layout. Put the cursor on the entry, enter the new information, and press **RETURN**.

You have now successfully changed one person's telephone number and another's last name. You have also seen possibilities for making mistakes while changing information and how easy it is to correct the mistakes.

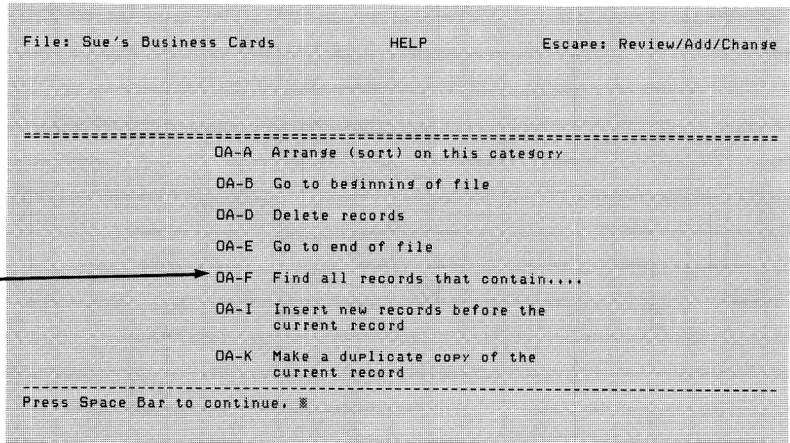
Finding Records in the File

If you have a long file and don't want to look all the way through it for the one record you want, you can use Quick File's Find feature to find the record for you.

Use REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE'S HELP information to find out which set of keys lets you find a record.

1. Press the **Ⓜ** key and type **?**. You get the first HELP display.
2. Press the space bar until you get the HELP display you want. Look for the information about Find.

Find feature



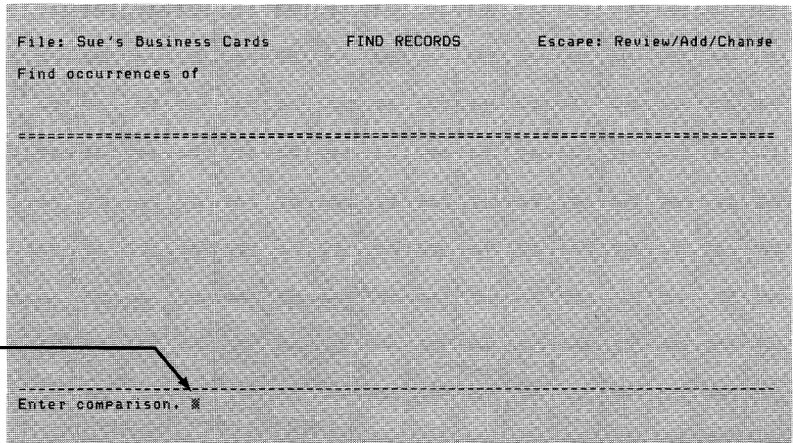
```
File: Sue's Business Cards          HELP          Escape: Review/Add/Change

-----
      DA-A  Arrange (sort) on this category
      DA-B  Go to beginning of file
      DA-D  Delete records
      DA-E  Go to end of file
      DA-F  Find all records that contain...
      DA-I  Insert new records before the
            current record
      DA-K  Make a duplicate copy of the
            current record
-----
Press Space Bar to continue, *
```

Using **Ⓜ**-**F** to find an entry

The keys for getting the Find feature are **Ⓜ** and **F**. Using these keys, and then entering the appropriate information, you are going to search for Laura Newmark's record. Leave the HELP information by pressing ESCAPE and go back to REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE.

3. Press the \square key and type \square . Here's the FIND RECORDS display.



Enter the value you want Quick File to find in Sue's Business Cards.

4. Enter Newmark and press \square .

Ms. Newmark's record appears alone on the screen.

You could have typed **Newmark** in all uppercase letters, all lowercase letters, or any combination thereof, and still gotten the same result.

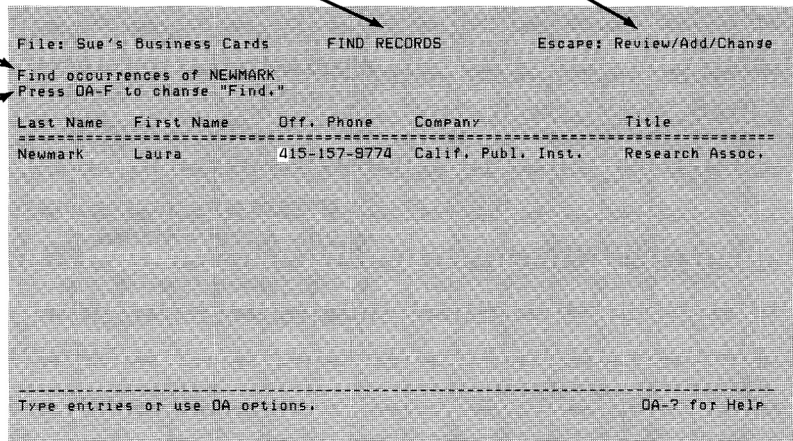
Look at the road map information on the FIND RECORDS display:

The information Quick File is using to find the records that appear on the screen now.

Here's where you are.

\square takes you back to REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE.

Pressing \square lets you search again.



5. Press the **⏪** key and type **F**. Now you can ask Quick File to find another person's record.
6. Enter **104** and press **⏩**. Ask Quick File to find any record that has "104" in it.
- It will list all records that contain "104" anywhere in the record. If Mr. Mussman's zip code were 95104, you would also get his record.

Paging through Records in Find: If more than 15 records contain the entry or character you've asked Quick File to find, the list will fill more than 1 "page". To page forward or backward through the records Quick File has listed, you can use the **⏪** key with the **↑** and **↓** keys, or with **B** and **E** (to take you to the beginning or end of the list).

If there are many records in the Find list, Quick File may take a minute or two to respond to the **⏪ B** or **⏪ E** command. While it is searching for the beginning or end of the list, it will not show any activity on the screen and will not accept any other commands from the keyboard.

7. Now press **⏪**. Quick File returns you to REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE, multiple-record layout.

You can find records, too, in REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE single-record layout.

Inserting a Record

And now, a quick lesson on how to insert a record into your file.

1. Look at the **HELP** display again to find out which keys you need to insert a record, and then go back to **REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE**.
2. Put the cursor on an entry in Julie Aaron's record.
3. Hold down the **⏪** key and type **I**.

Surprise! Something new!

It's a blank record, in single-record layout. The record has the same category headings as the other records you've seen in single-record layout.

The cursor is at the blank for Last Name.

4. Fill in each entry as follows for the new record and press **(RETURN) after each entry except the final one:**

Do not press **(RETURN)** after the final entry, Misc.

Last Name: Haskins
First Name: Michael
Off. Phone: 408-179-1167
Company: Prv. Inv.
Title: Owner
Street Address:
1145 First St.
City, State, Zip:
San Jose, CA 94821
Home Phone: Press **(RETURN)**
(Haskins doesn't give out his home phone.)
Misc.: Recommended by Max

```
File: Sue's Business Cards      INSERT NEW RECORDS      Escape: Erase Entry

Record 1 of 21      Additional: 79
-----
Last Name: Haskins
First Name: Michael
Off. Phone: 408-179-1167
Company: Prv. Inv.
Title: Owner
Street Address: 1145 First St.
City/State/Zip: San Jose, CA 94821
Home Phone: -
Misc.: Recommended by Max

-----
Type entries or use DA options.
```

Checking your entries

Check the new information for accuracy as you go. If you find a mistake, use **(←)** to back the cursor up to the beginning of the current entry (note that this erases that entry) and then use **(↑)** to return the cursor to the incorrect entry. Correct the mistake and press **(RETURN)**. Then re-enter the entry you erased as you backed up.

5. Press **(RETURN) at the end of the Misc. entry when you're sure all your information is correct.**

You get another blank record. You could continue to insert records.

6. Press **(ESCAPE).**

Return to REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE.

Haskins's record is at the top, just where you inserted it. Any records you insert always appear in multiple-record layout just before the record the cursor was on.

But Haskins's record is not where it belongs. The next section will show you how to put Haskins's record in alphabetical order, where it belongs.

Haskins

File: Sue's Business Cards REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE Escape: File Menu

Selection: All records

Last Name	First Name	Off. Phone	Company	Title
Haskins	Michael	408-179-1167	Prv. Inv.	Owner
Aaron	Julie	408-194-3652	Bluhman, Fuller, Smit	Associate
Atkins	Bill	408-104-0094	Edwards, Ferris, Aloy	Partner
Bowson	Loretta	415-555-2345	San Mateo Co. Atty.	Prosecutor
Bowyer	Bob	408-195-4543	Bowyer, Bowman and Bo	Partner
Bradshaw	Horace	408-174-3948	Headlines Hair Styl.	Owner
Brown	T. E.	408-555-2936	Tan-a-Lot Salon	Owner
Burman	Barney	408-555-3948	Burman Data Products	Owner
Carty	Alex	408-194-2700	Financ. Mgmt. Assoc.	Tax Consultant
Jacobsen	Chuck	408-184-3928	Cup. Hang Gliders	Owner
Julian	John	408-194-5968	Calif. Hot Tubs	Manager
Lake	Michael	408-174-2039	S.J. Juvenile Dept.	Parole Officer
Mussman	Al	408-194-2918	Mussman Transmissions	Owner
Newmark	Laura	415-157-9774	Calif. Publ. Inst.	Research Assoc.
Peters	Dr. Elaine	408-555-2741	S. V. Pet Hospital	Veterinarian

Type entries or use DA options. DA-? for Help

You could have followed the same procedure if you had been in single-record layout to start with.

Entering Records at the End of a File: You can enter records at the end of a file, too. First go to the end of the file with the **⏪** key and **⏩**. If you are in multiple-record layout, zoom in to single-record layout.

Then press the **⏪** key and **⏩** to move the cursor past the last record. Enter **Y** when Quick File asks you if you want to enter new records. You get a blank record. Enter the new records, and press **ESCAPE** to return to REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE after you finish.

Arranging (Sorting) Records

Now you're ready to put Haskins's record where it belongs.

When you arrange records, you put them in either alphabetical or numerical order.

1. Look at the HELP display yet another time. Find out which keys you need to arrange, or sort, records.

By now you can probably guess: "A" is for Arrange.

2. Put the cursor on any entry in the Last Name category.

This informs Quick File that arranging should be done by last name.

3. Press the **⏪ key and type **A**.**

Quick File presents a display of information and options about the record arranging you are going to do:

```

File: Sue's Business Cards      ARRANGE (SORT)      Escape: Review/Add/Change
Selection: All Records

-----
Your file will be arranged on
this category: Last Name

Arrangement order:
1. From A to Z
2. From Z to A
3. From 0 to 9
4. From 9 to 0

-----
Type selection and Press Return. *

```

4. Enter **1** and press **RETURN**.

You probably want your business cards arranged alphabetically.

Now check Sue's Business Cards:

Presto! Haskins's record is where it belongs.

```

File: Sue's Business Cards      REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE      Escape: File Menu
Selection: All records

-----
Last Name  First Name  Off. Phone  Company  Title
-----
Aaron      Julie       408-194-3652  Bluhman, Fuller, Smit  Associate
Atkins     Bill        408-104-0094  Edwards, Ferris, Aloy  Partner
Bowson     Loretta    415-555-2345  San Mateo Co. Atty.   Prosecutor
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Burman     Barney     408-555-3948  Burman Data Products  Owner
Carty     Alex       408-194-2700  Financ. Mgmt. Assoc.  Tax Consultant
Haskins    Michael    408-179-1167  Prv. Inv.             Owner
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Julian     John      408-184-5968  Calif. Hot Tubs       Manager
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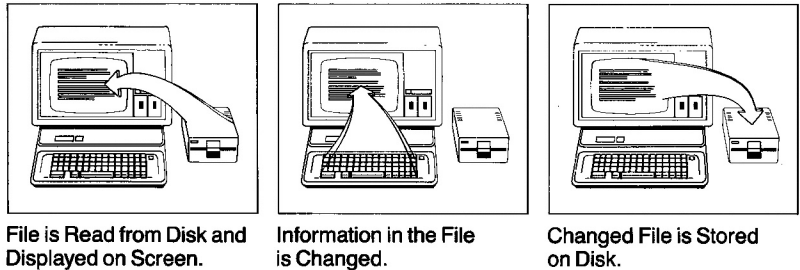
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Type entries of use OA options.      OA-? for Help

```

Saving Changes

Look at the following illustration of how Quick File saves information. See how a permanent file comes into your Apple IIe from the Quick File disk and how a file you have made changes to is saved permanently on the Quick File disk.

Figure 3-1



Sometimes when you work with a file, you don't change any information in the file. That's what you did in Chapter 2.

But in Chapter 3 you have changed information in Sue's Business Cards. These changes are still temporary because you haven't saved them in the file on the Quick File sample files disk.

To make the changes permanent, that is, to save the changes, follow these steps.

1. Press **(ESCAPE)**.

Quick File presents the **FILE MENU**.

The **FILE MENU** shows all the options you can choose from to continue work with Sue's Business Cards.

```
File: Sue's Business Cards          FILE MENU          Escape: Save file

-----

1. Review, add, or change
2. Report
3. Save file
4. Change categories or file name
5. Format a blank diskette
6. Go to Main Menu

-----

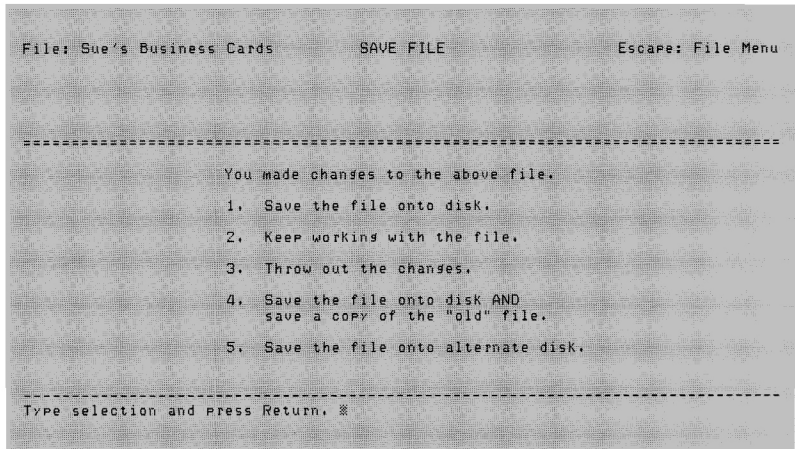
Type selection and Press Return. *
```

You could save the changes by choosing option 3, but since you are leaving Quick File and thus want to go to the MAIN MENU, you'll use option 6.

2. Enter **6 and press **RETURN**.**

Quick File stops you by showing you the SAVE FILE MENU before it lets you leave Sue's Business Cards.

Quick File asks you for detailed information about how it should save this file:



```
File: Sue's Business Cards          SAVE FILE          Escape: File Menu

-----
                                You made changes to the above file.
                                1. Save the file onto disk.
                                2. Keep working with the file.
                                3. Throw out the changes.
                                4. Save the file onto disk AND
                                   save a copy of the "old" file.
                                5. Save the file onto alternate disk.

-----
Type selection and Press Return. *
```

As the screen shows, you can choose from five options. You can

1. Save the new file on the Quick File disk, right on top of the old copy of the file. Use this option if you won't need the old copy of the file.
2. Continue to work with the file. Choose this option if you hadn't intended to choose the save option in the first place.
3. Throw out all the changes. That means the changes you made will not be permanent. The next time you look at Sue's Business Cards, it will look as it did originally.

When you choose 3, Quick File asks you to confirm your choice by entering **Y** in response to a warning message about erasing changes. That's a precautionary measure.

4. Save the changed file on the Quick File disk and save a copy of the old file. Use this option if you need copies of old files.

Quick File can save up to nine old versions of your file. It adds the prefix OLD-1 through OLD-9 to the original file name. If you saved the old version of Sue's Business Cards as well as the new, you would have Sue's Business Cards and OLD-1 Sue's Business Cards.

The SAVE FILE options

5. Save the file on an alternate disk. When you try to save a file and the disk is full, a message appears telling you, `There isn't enough room on the disk. Use Option 3 or 5.` If you want to save the information rather than throw it out, use option 5.

3. Type `1` and press `RETURN`.

Choose the first option: write the new file right on top of the old file.

Quick File asks you to enter the date you want listed on the FILE CATALOG for this file. The date that appears automatically next to the prompt is the last date any file was saved.

4. Enter today's date and press `RETURN`.

Use a date in this format:

`1 / 15 / 84`

Quick File makes it easy for you to use dates and times, as the gray box at the end of this section explains.

If you didn't make a copy of the data disk earlier, you will receive a message that says the file cannot be saved because the disk is write-protected.

Space Remaining on Your Data Disk: Quick File displays the message `SAVING THE FILE` while it is saving the file.

As you save files to the data disk, less room is available for new files. Quick File compacts your data files on the disk automatically if space becomes a problem. This process may take as long as two or three minutes if your disk is very full. While Quick File is compacting the disk, the following message is displayed:

```
Quick File is now compacting the files on
the data disk. "Get a File" to continue
using the current file.
```


After your file is saved, Quick File tells you the amount of space remaining on your data disk. If one or more files on your data disk are larger than the free space remaining on the disk, Quick File prints the message:

```
At least one of the files on the disk is
larger than the remaining space. You should
move at least the largest file to a differ-
ent disk. The largest files are:
```

(followed by a list of the three largest files and the percentage of the disk they occupy). Use option 5 from the SAVE FILE MENU to move the largest file to another disk.

After Quick File has saved your file, it returns to the MAIN MENU.

Note that you can also save changes you have made by choosing option 3 on the FILE MENU. If you don't choose this option, and you try to get another file or to leave Quick File, Quick File automatically shows you the SAVE FILE MENU to ask you if you want to save the file you're working on. Quick File always asks you about saving changes before it lets you lose them.

After saving your changes, you can leave Quick File.

5. Enter `7` and press `RETURN`. You could choose to get another file, if you wanted, or any of the other options available on the MAIN MENU.

Moving On: You have now mastered the most basic Quick File features. At this point you can either go on to Chapter 4 and continue with the tutorial, or, if you'd rather venture out on your own, you can skip to Chapter 9. There you'll learn how to create your own Quick File files. Then you can move to Chapter 10 where you'll get an overview of all the Quick File menus and options.

Entries that Include Dates and Times: Whenever you enter a date for saving a file or whenever a category name contains "date", as in "Date", "Expiration Date", or "Date of Hire", Quick File converts the dates you enter to a common format. That is, all dates appear as three-letter months, two-digit days, and two-digit years. Examples are APR 4 83 and SEP 14 83.

Converting dates to this common format enables Quick File to arrange the records in a file by date when you use the Arrange feature. Note that all the entries shown below appear in the order they would have after being arranged (sorted).

When you enter any of the following:	Quick File converts it to:
May 3	MAY 3
5.3.71	MAY 3 71
3 83	MAR 83
7April83	APR 7 83
May 1983	MAY 83
May 7, 1983	MAY 7 83
5-10-83	MAY 10 83
5/12/83	MAY 12 83
June 1983	JUN 83

When you don't enter the day, month, or year, the computer automatically considers the entry as 00, and leaves the entry blank on the screen. That's why if you were to order records by date using the Arrange feature, MAR 83 would follow MAY 3. To the computer they are MAY 3 00 and MAR 00 83.

The following won't be converted:

042783
42783
27483
AP

Whenever a category name contains "time", as in "Time", or "StartTime", or "TIME", Quick File converts the times you enter to a common format. This allows you to arrange the records in a file by time.

Because Quick File is attuned to the business day, it assumes all times you enter to be within the business day without your having to enter the a.m. or the p.m.

When you enter:	Quick File converts it to:
700	7:00 AM
1200	12:00 PM
7	7:00 AM
12	12:00 PM
3	3:00 PM
659	6:59 PM

To enter a time and not have it be considered part of the business day, you should enter an a or a P.

When you enter:

7 p or 7p

12 a

3 a

659 a

Quick File converts it to:

7:00 PM

12:00 AM

3:00 AM

6:59 AM

Quick File converts military time to regular time. For example, when you enter 1300, Quick File converts it to 1:00 PM. When you enter 0001, Quick File converts it 12:01 AM.

Summary

Changing an entry

Put the cursor at the beginning of the entry to be changed

Enter the new information over the old and press **RETURN**

Finding records in a file

F

Enter search information

RETURN

Inserting or adding a record

I

Enter new information

ESCAPE

Arranging or sorting records

Put cursor on category to be arranged

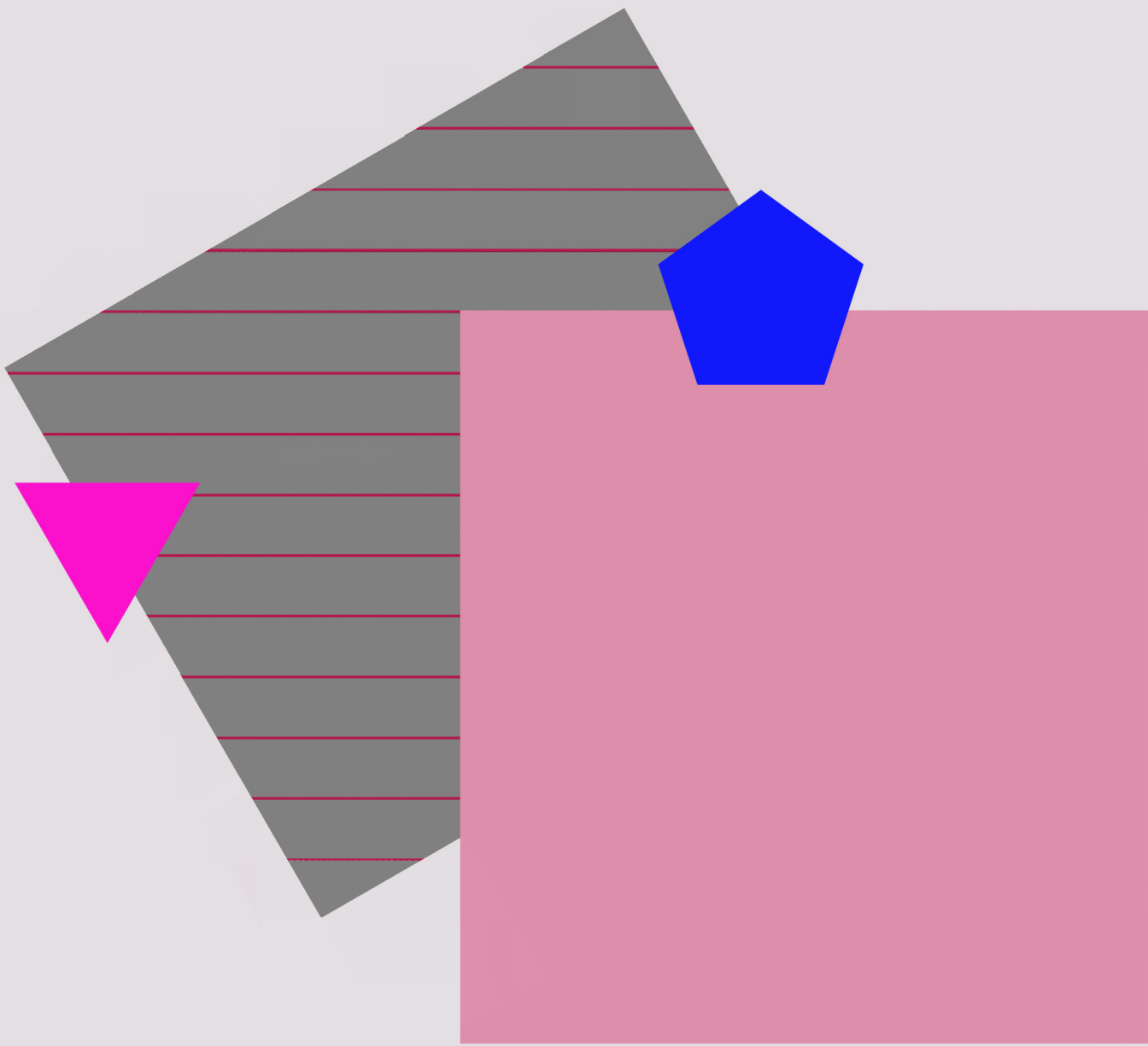
A

Choose how you want information arranged

Saving changes

Voluntary by choosing option 3 of the FILE MENU

Forced if you attempt to return to MAIN MENU without saving previously



Advanced Basics: Record Layouts

Each Quick File file has two record layouts: the **multiple-record layout** and the **single-record layout**. You have seen these two layouts in previous chapters.

These record layouts determine how information is arranged on the screen. They are set up automatically by Quick File when you create a file. But what if you have a preference about how the information is arranged on the screen?

Quick File lets you change both multiple-record and single-record layouts so that they show information in a way that is meaningful to you. This chapter tells you how to change the record layouts. It uses Sue's Business Cards for illustration.

In Chapter 4 you find out how to

- Change the multiple-record layout
- Change the single-record layout

The chapter also contains a reminder about saving changes and a summary.

Changing the Multiple-Record Layout

In this section you learn how to make changes to the multiple-record layout for Sue's Business Cards so that you can see the information exactly the way you want to see it. First you have to get Sue's Business Cards again.

- 1. Start up Quick File and get the FILE CATALOG.**

2. Enter **1** to get Sue's Business Cards again.

Does this screen look familiar?

3. Use **REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE HELP** information to find out which keys you need to change the record layout.

4. Press the **⏏** key and type **L**.

"L" stands for Layout, of course.

Quick File presents the multiple-record **CHANGE RECORD LAYOUT** display. Look at it carefully:

Displaying the multiple-record layout change display

The activities you can perform are listed here.

Several records in the current record layout are here.

```
File: Sue's Business Cards      CHANGE RECORD LAYOUT      Escape: Review/Add/Change
-----
--> or <--      Move cursor
> OA <        Switch category positions
--> OA <--     Change column width
OA-D          Delete this category
OA-I          Insert a prev. deleted cat.
-----
Last Name      First Name      Off. Phone      Company          Title
-----
Aaron         Julie           408-194-3652    Bluhman, Fuller, Smit Associate
Atkins       Bill            408-104-0094    Edwards, Ferris, Aloy Partner
Bowson       Loretta        415-555-2345    San Mateo Co. Atty. Prosecutor
-----
Use options shown above to change layout      More -->
```

Viewing hidden categories

MORE means that there are more categories that don't show on the screen. Do you remember the categories you saw when you zoomed in to single-record layout? These are the categories **MORE RA** refers to.

5. Press **→** a number of times.

Move the cursor to the right, from column to column.

You'll soon see that the categories you couldn't see appear on the right, while the categories on the left move off the screen on the left.

```

-----
--> or <-- Move cursor
> OA < Switch category positions
--> OA <-- Change column width
OA-D Delete this category
OA-I Insert a Prev. deleted cat.
-----

```

Cursor moved all the way to the right.

```

-----
Title          Street Addr City/State/Z Home Phone Misc.      M
-----
Associate      4837 Hill Dr San Jose, CA 408-193-4956 Personal InJ R
Partner        3948 Saratog San Jose, CA Workers' Com G
Prosecutor     2837 Del Rey Sunnysvale, C Raises llasa I
-----
<--- More -----
Use options shown above to change layout
-----

```

You know when you're at the far right end of the record when the word **MARGIN** appears vertically on the right.

6. Press `←` until the cursor is on the Last Name category again. You have moved the cursor from category to category across the top of the whole file.

Changing the Length of a Category

Suppose you decide the Last Name category is too short, and the First Name category is too long.

1. Make sure the cursor is on the Last Name category.

2. Press the `␣` key and type `→` two times.

Each time you type `␣` the Last Name category expands by one character.

3. Type `←` once to put the cursor on the First Name category.

4. Press the `␣` key and `←` two times.

Each time you type `␣` the First Name category decreases by one character.

Now the record layout looks like this:

```
File: Sue's Business Cards      CHANGE RECORD LAYOUT      Escape: Review/Add/Change


-----
--> or <--  Move cursor
> OA <     Switch category positions
--> OA <--  Change column width
OA-D       Delete this category
OA-I       Insert a prev. deleted cat.


-----
Last Name      First Name  Off. Phone  Company                Title
-----
Aaron          Julie      408-194-3652  Bluhman, Fuller, Smit  Associate
Atkins         Bill       408-104-0094  Edwards, Ferris, Aloy  Partner
Bowson         Loretta   415-555-2345  San Mateo Co. Atty.   Prosecutor

----- More ----->
Use options shown above to change layout
```

Moving a Category

Suppose you decide you want to see the Misc. category on the multiple-record layout. You want to put it where the Off. Phone category is now. You have two choices:

- You can delete the column in its original location and insert it where you want it, which is the procedure described below. Or
- You can use the  key and the < key to move the Misc. category several categories to the left. This procedure is described in Chapter 5.

1. Type  until the cursor is on the Misc. category

The cursor must be on the left side of the category you are deleting.

The cursor is on the category you want to delete.

```
File: Sue's Business Cards      CHANGE RECORD LAYOUT      Escape: Review/Add/Change

-----
--> or <--  Move cursor
> OA <     Switch category positions
--> OA <--  Change column width
OA-D       Delete this category
OA-I       Insert a prev. deleted cat.

-----
Title          Street Adre  City/State/Z  Home Phone  Misc.                M
-----
Associate      4837 Hill Dr  San Jose, CA  408-193-4956  Personal Injury Specia  R
Partner        3948 Saratos  San Jose, CA  Workers' COMP.      G
Prosecutor     2837 Del Rey  Sunnyvale, C  Raises llasa apsos  I
-----
<--- More -----
Use options shown above to change layout
```


Deleting a category

2. Press the  key and type **D.**

Delete the category.

Don't worry, though. Quick File saves the column for you and can put it back whenever you want it.

3. Type  until the cursor is on the Off. Phone category.

You want to insert the Misc. category to the left of Off. Phone, so that the Misc. category will show on the multiple-record layout.

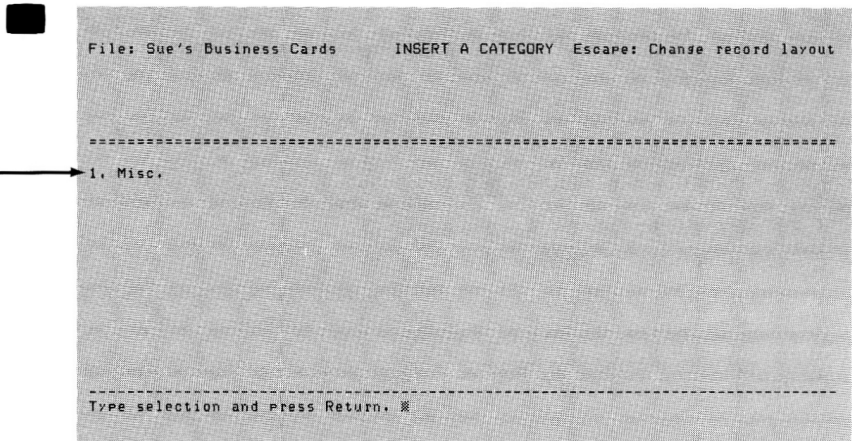
Reinserting a category

4. Press the  key and type **I.**

Quick File presents your choice of previously deleted categories to insert.

The screen that shows you which previously deleted categories you can insert looks like this:

The category you just deleted.



If you had deleted other categories, they would all be listed here.

5. Enter **I and press **RETURN**.**

You just instructed Quick File as follows:

“Insert the Misc. category just to the left of the Off. Phone category.”

When you type **1**, the Misc. category is inserted, and the layout looks like this:

Misc. category inserted to the left of Off. Phone category.

```
File: Sue's Business Cards      CHANGE RECORD LAYOUT      Escape: Review/Add/Change

-----
--> or <--  Move cursor
> OA <     Switch category positions
--> OA <--  Change column width
OA-D       Delete this category
OA-I       Insert a prev. deleted cat.
-----

First Name  Misc.      Off. Phone  Company      Title      S
-----
Julie       Personal InJ 408-194-3652 Bluhman, Fuller, Smit Associate 4
Bill        Workers' Com 408-104-0094 Edwards, Ferris, Aloy Partner 3
Loretta     Raises llasa 415-555-2345 San Mateo Co. Atty. Prosecutor 2

<--- More ----- More --->
Use options shown above to change layout
```

6. Type **← until it stops.**

Move the cursor all the way to the left, to the Last Name category.

Now look at the layout. It looks like this:

```
File: Sue's Business Cards      CHANGE RECORD LAYOUT      Escape: Review/Add/Change

-----
--> or <--  Move cursor
> OA <     Switch category positions
--> OA <--  Change column width
OA-D       Delete this category
OA-I       Insert a prev. deleted cat.
-----

Last Name   First Name  Misc.      Off. Phone  Company      Tit
-----
Aaron       Julie       Personal InJ 408-194-3652 Bluhman, Fuller, Smit Ass
Atkins      Bill        Workers' Com 408-104-0094 Edwards, Ferris, Aloy Par
Bowson      Loretta     Raises llasa 415-555-2345 San Mateo Co. Atty. Pro

----- More --->
Use options shown above to change layout
```

You might decide the following after looking at this layout:

- You want to see more information in the Misc. category.
- You can shorten the Last Name and First Name categories. If you do, you can lengthen the Misc. category.

7. Put the cursor on Last Name. Press the **↶ key and type **←** four times.**

Shorten the Last Name category.

8. Put the cursor on First Name. Press the **↑** key and type **←** two times.

Shorten the First Name category.

9. Put the cursor on Misc. Press the **↑** key and type **→** six times.

Lengthen the Misc. category.

The resulting layout looks like this:

More of the Misc. category shows now.

```
File: Sue's Business Cards      CHANGE RECORD LAYOUT      Escape: Review/Add/Change

-----
--> or <-- Move cursor
-> DA < Switch category positions
-> DA <-- Change column width
DA-D Delete this category
DA-I Insert a prev. deleted cat.
-----

Last Name First Name Misc. Off. Phone Company Tit
-----
Aaron Julie Personal Injury Sp 408-194-3652 Bluhman, Fuller, Smit Ass
Atkins Bill Workers' Comp. 408-104-0094 Edwards, Ferris, Aloy Par
Bowson Loretta Raises llasa apsos 415-555-2345 San Mateo Co. Atty. Pro
-----
Use options shown above to change layout More -->
```

When you save the file, Quick File also saves your new layout. You can change it every time you work with it, depending on your needs, or you may never change it again.

Any categories you delete from the layout remain in the file, as Misc. did, although you don't see them. You can reinsert them at any time.

10. Press **(ESCAPE)**.

Specifying Cursor Direction

Now Quick File asks which way you want the cursor to go when you press RETURN during REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE. If you recall, the cursor has moved from entry to entry in one category in REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE so far. You may change it to move from left to right if you want.

1. Enter **1** and press **(RETURN)**. Go back to REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE.

Quick File displays Sue's Business Cards in multiple-record layout, and you can see the results of the changes you made to the layout:

File: Sue's Business Cards REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE Escape: File Menu

Selection: All records

Last Name	First Name	Misc.	Off. Phone	Company	Tit
Aaron	Julie	Personal Injury Sp	408-194-3652	Bluhman, Fuller, Smit	Ass
Atkins	Bill	Workers' Comp.	408-104-0094	Edwards, Ferris, Aloy	Par
Bowson	Loretta	Raises llasa apsos	415-555-2345	San Mateo Co, Atty.	Pro
Bowyer	Bob	Real Estate Law	408-195-4543	Bowyer, Bowman and Bo	Par
Bradshaw	Horace	Allan's friend	408-174-3948	Headlines Hair Styl.	Own
Brown	T. E.	Ref. by Judy	408-555-2836	Tan-a-Lot Salon	Own
Burman	Barney	Word processor sup	408-555-3948	Burman Data Products	Own
Carty	Alex	See before Jan. 15	408-194-2700	Financ. Mgmt. Assoc.	Tax
Haskins	Michael	Recommended by Max	408-179-1167	Prv. Inv.	Own
Jacobsen	Chuck	Motorized Hang Gli	408-184-3928	Cup Hang Gliders	Own
Julian	John	Hot tub equipment	408-194-5968	Calif. Hot Tubs	Man
Lake	Michael	Birthday: 4-29	408-174-2039	S.J. Juvenile Dept.	Par
Mussman	Al	Free towing	408-194-2918	Mussman Transmissions	Own
Newmark	Laura	Pubs Seminars	415-157-9774	Calif. Publ. Inst.	Res
Peters	Dr. Elaine	Pumpkin's favorite	408-555-2741	S. U. Pet Hospital	Vet

Type entries or use OA options. OA-? for Help

Changing the Single-Record Layout

Quick File lets you change the single-record layout, too, as you did the multiple-record layout.

You will probably use single-record layout most when you are inserting records. It's handy to be able to customize the layout to make it easy to enter information.

Start from where you left off in the last section, in REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE multiple-record layout.

1. Put the cursor on the first character of an entry in Julie Aaron's record.

Any entry will do. You want to zoom in on her record.

2. Press the  key and type .

There's Ms. Aaron's record again, in single-record layout.

3. Press the  key and type .

You are going to change the single-record layout.

Viewing the single-record change layout display

You get the display that allows you to change the record layout for single records.

Here's what you can do now.

```
File: Sue's Business Cards      CHANGE RECORD LAYOUT      Escape: Review/Add/Change

                                Return or arrows      Move cursor
                                OA and arrows          Move category locn.

-----
Last Name: Aaron
First Name: Julie
Off. Phone: 408-194-3652
Company: Bluhman, Fuller, Smith
Title: Associate
Street Address: 4837 Hill Drive
City/State/Zip: San Jose, CA 94837
Home Phone: 408-193-4956
Misc.: Personal Injury Specialist

-----
Use options shown above to change layout
```

If you want, you can practice a little:

4. Press `(RETURN)` several times. The cursor moves to the category name on the next line down each time you press `(RETURN)`.

5. Use the four arrow keys to move the cursor, too.

Now you can design a new single-record layout for Sue's Business Cards. In this example you change the order of entry so that you enter First Name and then Last Name.

Here's the way the screen will look after you make the changes:

```
File: Sue's Business Cards      CHANGE RECORD LAYOUT      Escape: Review/Add/Change

                                Return or arrows      Move cursor
                                OA and arrows          Move category locn.

-----
First Name: Julie
Last Name: Aaron
Off. Phone: 408-194-3652
Company: Bluhman, Fuller, Smith
Title: Associate
Street Address: 4837 Hill Drive
City/State/Zip: San Jose, CA 94837
Home Phone: 408-193-4956
Misc.: Personal Injury Specialist


-----
Use Options shown above to change layout
```

Moving a Category

1. Put the cursor on the L in Last Name.

The cursor must be on the first letter of the name of the category you are moving.

2. Press the  key and type  several times.


The Last Name category moves to the right each time you type .

3. Keep moving Last Name until it is about five spaces to the right of Julie.

4. Use the arrow keys to put the cursor on the F in First Name.



5. Press the  key and type  once.

The First Name category moves up one line.

6. Use the  key to move the cursor to the L in Last Name.

7. Press the  key and type  once.

The Last Name category moves down one line.

8. Press the  key and type  until the Last Name category reaches the left margin of the screen.

Now the layout looks like this:

```
File: Sue's Business Cards      CHANGE RECORD LAYOUT      Escape: Review/Add/Change

                                Return or arrows      Move cursor
                                OA and arrows          Move category locn.

-----
First Name: Julie
Last Name: Aaron
Off. Phone: 408-194-3652
Company: Bluhman, Fuller, Smith
Title: Associate
Street Address: 4837 Hill Drive
City/State/Zip: San Jose, CA 94837
Home Phone: 408-193-4956
Misc.: Personal Injury Specialist

-----
Use Options shown above to change layout
```

Relocated names. →

Are you satisfied with this layout? If not, you may want to make more changes.

Or you can leave the layout as is and go back to REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE.

9. Press **(ESCAPE)**.

Specifying Cursor Direction

Now you must specify cursor direction for single-record layout. This is important when you are inserting information in new records. You must choose to have the cursor move in one of two ways:

- From left to right and top to bottom, or
- In the order in which you originally defined categories.

To specify cursor direction, you must respond to the following question, which appears at the bottom of the screen:

Is above cursor direction OK? (Y/N)

The current cursor direction is specified at the top of the screen. Either

Cursor direction is left to right, top to bottom,

or

Cursor direction is order in which you defined categories.

1. Press **(Y)** or **(N)**, and then **(RETURN)**.

Quick File takes you to the single record layout for Julie Aaron.

2. Press **(ESCAPE)**.

Quick File takes you to the FILE MENU.

Saving Changes: A Reminder

The changes you have made to the multiple-record and the single-record layouts are changes to the file of Sue's Business Cards. Thus, if you want to make these changes permanent, you must save the file permanently before you leave Quick File or get another file.

Leave Quick File now. Recall that you are at the FILE MENU.

1. Type **(6)** and **(RETURN)** to return to the MAIN MENU.

Or press **(ESCAPE)**.

Before returning you to the MAIN MENU, Quick File presents the options on saving that you have seen before.

2. Enter **1** and press **RETURN** to indicate you want to save the changes you have made.

Now Quick File asks you for the current date. You can confirm the date that appears on the screen by pressing **RETURN**, or enter today's date.

You don't have to enter today's date: you can enter any date. Usually you want to enter today's date, though.

3. Enter today's date and press **RETURN**.

Quick File saves the new file with its changes, and tells you how full the disk is.

Now you can leave Quick File.

Summary

Change record layout: **U** **L** from single- and multiple-record layout

Change multiple-record layout:

Move cursor

→ **←**

Change category width

Put the cursor on the category whose width you want to change

U and **→** or **←**

Delete current category

Put the cursor on the category you want to delete

U and **D**

Insert a previously deleted category

Put the cursor on the category to the right of where you want the inserted category to appear

U and **1**

Change single-record layout:

Move cursor

RETURN

↑ **↓**

→ **←**

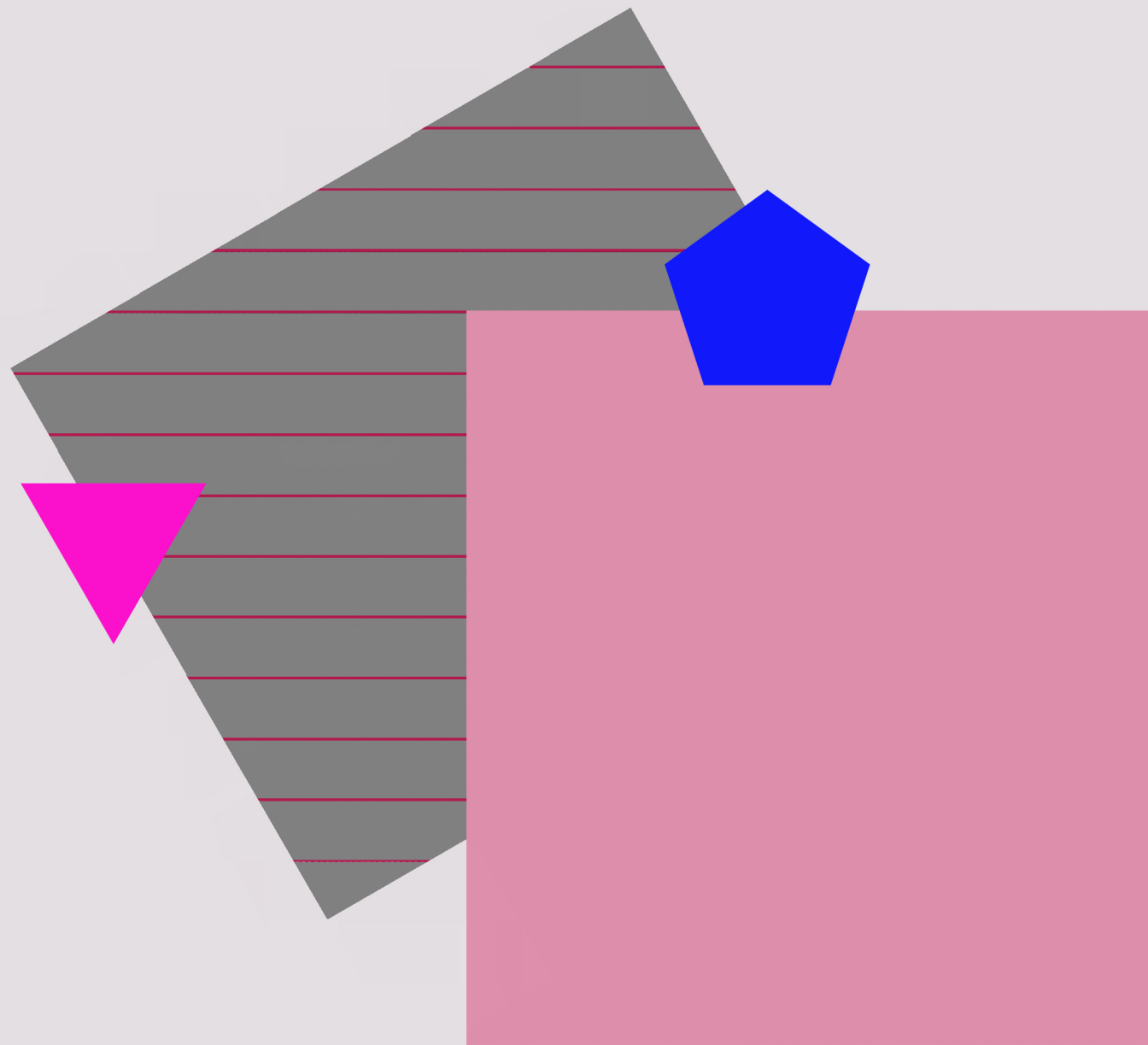
Move category location

Put the cursor on the category to be moved

U and

↑ **↓**

→ **←**



Creating a Simple Report

A report is a printed version of some or all of the information in a Quick File file.

A report format specifies what information to include in a report and how the information should be laid out on the page.

By now you know how to move the cursor through a Quick File file, how to change information in the file, and how to change record layouts. Now you will learn how to create a simple report, which is usually a printed version of information from your file. You print reports whenever you want a permanent copy of information, although you can display the report on your Apple IIe screen, too.

To create a report, you must specify a report format. A report format consists of instructions to Quick File about what to include in the report: which categories, for example, or which records. And it tells Quick File how the report should look: what information should go where and how it should be printed.

Quick File lets you design report formats that use all the information in the file; or you can use only the information that suits your needs at any time. You can use a report format only once, or you can save it and use it whenever you want.

This chapter explains some of the basics of reporting. It tells how to

- Choose a report style: labels style or tables style
- Create a format for your report
- Print the report
- Save the format of your report

The chapter also contains a summary.

You'll be working with the personnel files for the Pasta Company in this chapter.

Choosing a Report Style

You choose a report style—tables style or labels style—according to the kind of information you want to report and how you want it to look. A tables-style report looks like records in multiple-record format, and a labels-style report looks like records in single-record format.

A tables-style report shows information in rows and columns, and only one record can appear on one line. And a tables-style report allows you to subtotal and total categories and calculate a new category based on information in the categories you already have. Basic accounting reports can use tables-style report formats, for example, because records appear in rows and columns.

Here is a tables-style report in which the authors, titles, and publishers of books appear in rows and columns.

```
Authors, Titles, and Publishers
File: Books
Report: My Books
Author-Last Author-First Title Publisher
-----
Buckley William F., Jr. Who's on First Avon
Jenkins Peter A Walk Across America Fawcett Crest
Kidder Tracy The Soul of a New Machine Little, Brown and Co.
Michener James A. Caravans Fawcett
Sheehy Gail Pathfinders Wm. Morrow and Co., Inc
Wills Garry The Kennedy Imprisonment Little, Brown and Co.

Press Space Bar to continue. *
```

A **tables-style report** presents information in rows and columns.

A **labels-style report** presents information in multiple lines.

A labels-style report shows information in vertical format, that is, with categories belonging to each record arranged in multiple-line format. A typical example of a labels-style report is, of course, labels for envelopes. A recipe report formatted for index cards is another example.

Here is the book file formatted in a labels-style report. To the basic information about the book is added another category from the file: a summary of the plot.

Notice how all the information about one book is printed in several lines, and then all the information about the next book. This is typical of how labels-style reports are formatted. They are ideal when your records have a lot of text information.

```
File: Books                                     Page 1
Report: Books/Plots                             Aug 1 82

Buckley           William F., Jr.
Who's on First
Avon
D. Oakes escapes all drasnets without rumpling his trenchcoat

JenKins           Peter
A Walk Across America
Fawcett Crest
Good people met in a walk across an almost forgotten America

Kidder           Tracy
The Soul of a New Machine
Little, Brown and Co.
Emotional side of designing a computer

Press Space Bar to continue. *
```

The report in this chapter is a rows and columns type of report, so a tables-style report format is the better choice.

Before Reporting: Look at the File

You should be familiar with a file before you create a report format for it. Take a look at the **Pasta Personnel** file before you continue.

- 1. Start up Quick File and get the FILE CATALOG.**
- 2. Enter **3** to get Pasta Personnel and press **RETURN**.**

Look at the file in multiple-record layout. This record layout shows last name, first name, department, date of hire, salary, sex, ethnic background, and street address. If you have a 40-column display, less information is shown.

Pasta Personnel in multiple-record layout

```
File: Pasta Personnel          REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE          Escape: File Menu
Selection: All records

-----
Last Name  First Name  Dept  HireDate  Salary  Sex  Ethnic  Street Address
-----
Cornpone  Jubilation  05    JUN 16 42  1100.75  M  B      202 Calvert Dr.
Mae       Daisy       03    MAR 26 50  1500.00  F  A      12624 Titus Way
McVey    Rande     04    AUG 17 68  1400.00  F  B      2569 Trimble Rd.
Monaghan B. E.      03    AUG 18 68  1501.49  F  B      82 Atlas Ave.
Koller   Vernon E.  02    MAR 15 70  4700.00  M  A      8011 E. Girard
Mulligan Patrice    04    SEP 30 74  4800.00  F  B      4756 Malpas Dr.
Russell  Johann     02    MAY 15 76  1200.00  M  C      3818 Gleason Ave.
Kissinger Hank       04    FEB 11 77  3800.00  M  I      1777 Shalen Ct.
Holston  Jack T.    01    APR 22 78  1200.00  M  F      1086 Clyde
Marquez  Nala       02    MAY 17 78  1237.00  F  G      2150 Coolidge Dr.
Kimbrue  Eusene    04    OCT 30 78  1950.00  M  C      82 Flintwell Way
Holland  Elmer     03    MAR 1 79  3000.00  M  A      1569 Garvey Pl.
Doonesbury Michael    01    JAN 19 80  1475.00  M  A      4738 Electra Blvd
Lindsey  Martha    03    MAR 17 80  975.00   F  B      5473 Cribari
Lippa   Blaise    03    JUN 27 81  1980.00  M  B      1335 Dry Creek Rd
-----
Type entries or use DA options.          DA-? for Help
```

3. Zoom in on the first record.

Now you see more information, including city/state/zip, emergency information, accumulated hours of vacation and sick time, and home phone.

Take a few minutes to browse through the file.

Pasta Personnel in single-record layout

```
File: Pasta Personnel          REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE          Escape: File Menu
Selection: All records

Record 1 of 16          Additional: 76
-----
Last Name: Cornpone
First Name: Jubilation
Dept: 05
HireDate: JUNE 16 42
Salary: 1100.75
Sex: M
Ethnic: B
Street Address: 202 Calvert Dr.
City/State/Zip: Denver, CO LD 83028
Emergency Contact: Josephine Cornpone
Emergency Phone: 303-167-3948
AccurHrsSick: 4
AccurHrsVacation: 90
Home Phone: 303-174-2938
-----
Type entries or use DA options.          DA-? for Help
```

Creating the Report Format

Now that you've looked at the Pasta Personnel file, you're ready to create a report. This section tells you how to make your way to Quick File's reporting feature. Then it describes how to tell Quick File what to print and how to print it.

1. Press **(ESCAPE)**. Quick File presents the FILE MENU.
2. Enter **(2)** and press **(RETURN)**. Indicate to Quick File that you want to create a report now.

Now Quick File presents the REPORT MENU, which you haven't seen before.

REPORT MENU with reporting options

```
File: Pasta Personnel          REPORT MENU          Escape: File Menu
Report: None

-----

1. Get a report format
2. Create a new "tables" format
3. Create a new "labels" format
4. Duplicate an existing format
5. Erase a format
6. Go to File Menu

-----
Type selection and press Return. *
```

Now you could get or erase a report format if you had one. Instead you want to create a new report format. Choose to print a tables-style report this time.

3. Enter **(2)** and press **(RETURN)**. Look at the bottom of the new display. Quick File is asking for a report name.

4. Enter Personnel Report and press `RETURN`. The report name can be up to 20 characters long.

Now Quick File presents the REPORT FORMAT display:

File name → File: Pasta Personnel
 Report name → Report: Personnel Report
 Selection: All records

REPORT FORMAT

Escape: Report Menu

Category headings → Last Name First Name Dept HireDate Salary Sex Et
 -A-----B-----C-----D-----E-----F-----G
 Cornpone Jubilation 05 Jun 16 42 110.75 M B
 Mae Daisy 03 MAR 26 50 1500.00 F A
 McVey Randeae 04 AUG 17 88 1400.00 F B

Several sample records from the file →

Use options shown on Help screen More -->
 OA-? for Help

Notice that at the bottom of the screen it says `Use options shown on Help screen`. Press `OA-?` to get this screen, and study it. All the options for creating and printing reports are listed here. Notice that many of the options are the same as the ones you saw in changing a record layout.

A complete explanation of each report format option is included in Chapter 10.

Some of the options are unique to reporting, however. You will be practicing with most of them in this chapter and in the next several chapters.

Look at the category headings at the bottom of the screen. Notice that under each heading is a dashed line with a letter of the alphabet: Last Name is `A`, and so on. `A` refers to the left-most category, `B` the second, and so on. You use these letters when you calculate a new category in Quick File reports, described in Chapter 7.

Also, `MORE` `→` shows at the right side of the screen just as it did when you were changing the record layout in multiple-record format.

5. Type `→` 14 times slowly or hold it down for more rapid cursor movement. Move the cursor past the right-most column, Home Phone. The cursor stops at `LEN181`.

`LEN181` means that if you were to print exactly what you see in this report format, each print line would be 181 characters long. This number changes as you change the report format. You must set the `CHAR PRINT` (characters to print) printing option at least this wide. Printing options are discussed later in this chapter.

6. Press  until the cursor is on the Last Name field again.

You have seen all the categories in the file. Now look at your goal, the finished product. The finished product is the report you are going to create.

The Finished Product

Here's what your report will look like when it's finished.

File: Pasta Personnel				Page 1	
Report: Personnel Report				Aug 1 82	
Dept	Last Name	First Name	Street Address	City/State/Zip	Home Phone
01	Doonesbury	Michael	4738 Electra Blvd.	Denver, COLO 80110	303-555-384
01	Holston	Jack T.	1086 Clyde	Denver, COLO 80221	303-555-394
01	Johnson	Joel	137 S. Sunset	Littleton, COLO 80	303-555-576
02	Koller	Vernon E.	8011 E. Girard	Engleton, COLO 801	303-555-293
02	Marquez	Nola	2150 Coolidge Dr.	Denver, COLO 83746	303-187-392
02	Russell	Johann	3813 Gleason Ave.	Denver, COLO 80129	303-161-937
03	Holland	Elmer	1569 Garvey Pl.	Denver, COLO 80220	303-147-192
03	Lindsey	Martha	5473 Cribari	Denver, COLO 82726	303-161-495
03	Lippa	Blaise	1335 Dry Creek Rd.	Denver, COLO 80221	303-555-291
03	Mae	Daisy	12624 Titus Way	Dogpatch	
03	Monaghan	B. E.	92 Atlas Ave.	Denver, COLO 82929	303-181-675
04	Kimbrue	Eugene	82 Flintwell Way	Engleton, COLO 801	303-187-291
04	Kissinger	Hank	1777 Shalen Ct.	Denver, COLO 80382	303-555-687
04	McVey	Randee	2569 Trimble Rd.	Denver, COLO 82938	303-178-392
04	Mulligan	Patrice	4758 Malpas Dr.	Denver, COLO 82736	303-187-322
05	Cornpone	Jubilation	202 Calvert Dr.	Denver, COLO 83028	303-174-293

As you can see from the illustration, the report you are going to create is going to show the following categories, in this order: Department, Last Name, First Name, Street Address, City/State/Zip, and Home Phone.

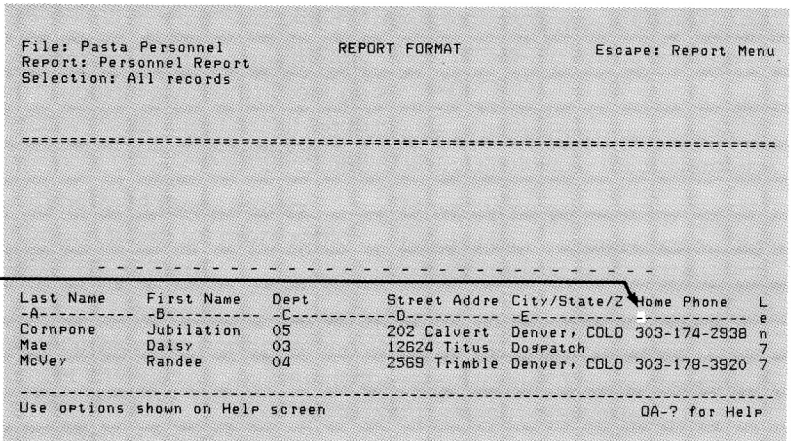
Before you can print this report, you need to tell Quick File which categories in the file to include in the report, which categories to delete, and which categories to switch around. Then you say how to arrange the information.

Deleting Categories

First, delete the categories that are not needed in the report.

- 1. Move the cursor to category D, HireDate.** This is the first category you should delete.
- 2. Press the `←` key and type `D`.** HireDate disappears and the cursor rests on Salary.
Just as when you are changing a record layout, Quick File saves the column for you and you can put it back using `←` `I` if you should decide you want it.
- 3. Press the `←` key and type `D`.** Salary disappears and the cursor rests on Sex.
Delete the next two categories until the cursor rests on Street Address.
You want these two categories to appear on the report, so don't delete them.
- 4. Press `→` twice to move the cursor past Street Address and City/State/Zip.**
- 5. Now delete Emergency Contact, Emergency Phone, AccumHrsSick, and AccumHrsVaca, using `←` `D`.**

Now the display looks like this:



File: Pasta Personnel REPORT FORMAT Escape: Report Menu
Report: Personnel Report
Selection: All records

Last Name	First Name	Dept	Street Addr	City/State/Z	Home Phone	L
-A-	-B-	-C-	-D-	-E-		e
Corrhone	Jubilation	05	202 Calvert	Denver, COLO	303-174-2938	n
Mae	Daisy	03	12624 Titus	Dospatch		7
McVey	Randee	04	2569 Trimble	Denver, COLO	303-178-3920	7

Use options shown on Help screen QA-? for Help

Cursor is on Home Phone.

Switching Categories

The information you want is displayed, and the information you don't want is deleted. But the information isn't in the right order.

Recall that you want to show Dept as the left-most category. You have these choices:

- You can delete Dept from where it is and then insert it at the left.
- You can switch category positions, causing Dept to appear on the left.

You practiced with the first option in the previous chapter, so choose the second option this time.

1. Move the cursor to Dept.



The cursor should always be on the left side of the category you are switching.

2. Press the key and type . (You don't have to press .)

That set of keys switches Dept. with the category to its left, First Name.

3. Press the key and type again.

That set of keys again switches Dept. with the category to its left, Last Name.

The  key and  (again, no SHIFT required) switch the column the cursor is on with the one on its right.


The report format you just created looks like this:





```
File: Pasta Personnel          REPORT FORMAT          Escape: Report Menu
Report: Personnel Report
Selection: All records

-----

Dept      Last Name  First Name  Street Addr  City/State/Z  Home Phone  L
-A-----B-----C-----D-----E-----F-----e
05        Cornpone  Jubilation  202 Calvert  Denver, COLO  303-174-2938 n
03        Mae       Daisy      12624 Titus  DogPatch
04        McVey    Randee     2569 Trimble Denver, COLO  303-178-3920 7

-----
Use options shown on Help screen          DA-? for Help
```

Cursor is on Dept. 

To show the appropriate information, you should probably shorten the Dept category and lengthen the Street Address and City/State/Zip categories. You know how to do it: use the  key and  to shorten Dept. by eight places. Then move the cursor to Street Address, and use the  key and  to lengthen Street Address by six places. Then lengthen City/State/Zip by five places.

Now the report format looks like this:

```

File: Pasta Personnel          REPORT FORMAT          Escape: Report Menu
Report: Personnel Report
Selection: All records

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





Dept Last Name First Name Street Address City/State/Zip Home Phone
-A- -B- -C- -D- -E- -F-
05 Corneone Jubilation 202 Calvert Dr. Denver, COLO 8302 303-174-2938
03 Mae Daisy 12624 Titus Way DenSpach
04 McVey Rande 2569 Trimble Rd. Denver, COLO 8293 303-178-3920

-----
Use options shown on Help screen                               More --->
                                                                OA-? for Help
  
```

Arranging Information

Arranging on more than one category

Now tell Quick File how to arrange the information. You want to arrange names by department, and alphabetically within each department.

1. Put the cursor on Last Name.
2. Press the  key and type . Indicate that Quick File should arrange first by last name.
3. Enter  and press . Last names should be arranged from A to Z.
4. Put the cursor on Dept.
5. Press the  key and type . Indicate that Quick File should arrange second by department.
6. Enter  and press . Departments should be arranged numerically from 0 through 9.

When you are arranging with more than one category, start by arranging with the most specific category and then move to the more and then the most general category. In this case, Dept is the most general category because each department includes a number of last names, while Last Name is the most specific category because each last name includes only itself.

You have told Quick File what information should go on the report and how it should be arranged. Now you must give instructions as to how it should be placed on the page.

Printing the Personnel Report

When you print a report, you must specify printer options and then print, first designating the printing device where the report should go.

This section tells how to print a report. It assumes you are using a Silentype printer. If you're not, you should read the section on printer options in Chapter 10 to learn how to set the printer options for your printer.

Chapter 10 includes an explanation of printer options.

Specifying Printer Options

1. Press the **O** key and type **O**. "O" stands for Options.

Quick File presents the display that gives you the printing options:

```
File: Pasta Personnel          PRINTER OPTIONS          Escape: Report Format
Report: Personnel Report

=====
1. Left margin  0          5. Top margin   4
2. Char print  80          6. Print lines  54
3. Rt. margin  0          7. Bot. margin  8
4. Printer size 80        8. Page length 66

9. Send special codes to Printer  N
10. Line feed needed by printer   Y
11. Print dash when an entry is blank N
12. Stop at the end of each page  Y
13. Print report header at top of page Y
14. Printer accepts form-feed commands Y
15. Single, Double or Triple spacing S

-----
Type selection and Press Return. *
```

Quick File uses the standard values if you don't enter other values.

The printer options numbered 1-4 relate to how the report is placed horizontally on the page:

Left margin + characters to print + right margin = printer size.

Quick File takes the specifications you enter and adjusts the others accordingly. For example, if you change left margin width to 5 and right margin width to 5, then Quick File changes characters to print to 70. If you change left margin width to 5 and characters to print to 60, then Quick File automatically changes right margin width to 15.

The printer options numbered 5-8 relate to how the report is placed vertically on the page. A similar equation is true for this group:

Lines in top margin + lines to print + lines in bottom margin = length of page in print lines.

Again, Quick File takes the specifications you enter and adjusts the others accordingly. If you change lines in top margin to 10, Quick File changes lines to print to 50. If you change lines in top margin to 10 and lines in bottom margin to 10, Quick File changes lines to print to 46.

Leave the printer options at their standard values for the first run of this report. You can see how the first report looks printed, and then change the values if you want.

When you do change printer options 1-8 or 15, follow this procedure:

- Enter the number of the category whose value you want to change.
- Enter the new value.

To change printer options 9-14, simply enter the number of the option. Quick File immediately changes the given value to its opposite.

2. Press `ESCAPE`.

The printer options are set for this report.

Now you can print it.

How to change printer options

Printing

- 1. Press the **(P)** key and type **(P)**.** Indicate that you want to print the report.
- 2. Enter the number of the kind of device where you want the report printed, in this case **(2)**. Then press **(RETURN)**.**

You have to tell Quick File where to print the report. Quick File tells you what you can do while the report is printing:

You can press the space bar to interrupt printing and again to begin it.

You can press **(ESCAPE)** to stop printing.

Quick File also asks you for a report date: it displays the last date a report was printed. You can choose this date, if you want, by simply pressing **(RETURN)**.
- 3. Enter today's date and press **(RETURN)**.**

The date goes on the title block of the report, which is the report header.

If you send the report to the screen, you can press the space bar to continue printing when the report stops between report pages. If your report is wider than 80 columns, you will see only the 80 columns that were displayed on the screen when you began printing. All columns will be printed if you send the report to a printer.

When you are finished with the report, Quick File presents the REPORT FORMAT display. You can make changes to the report format if you don't like it.

Now you should leave the reporting feature for Pasta Personnel:

- 4. Press **(ESCAPE)**.** Quick File presents the REPORT MENU.
- 5. Enter **(7)** and press **(RETURN)**.** Or press **(ESCAPE)**.
Quick File presents the FILE MENU.
- 6. Enter **(6)** and press **(RETURN)**.** Or press **(ESCAPE)**.
Quick File presents the options on saving that you have seen before.

Saving the Format

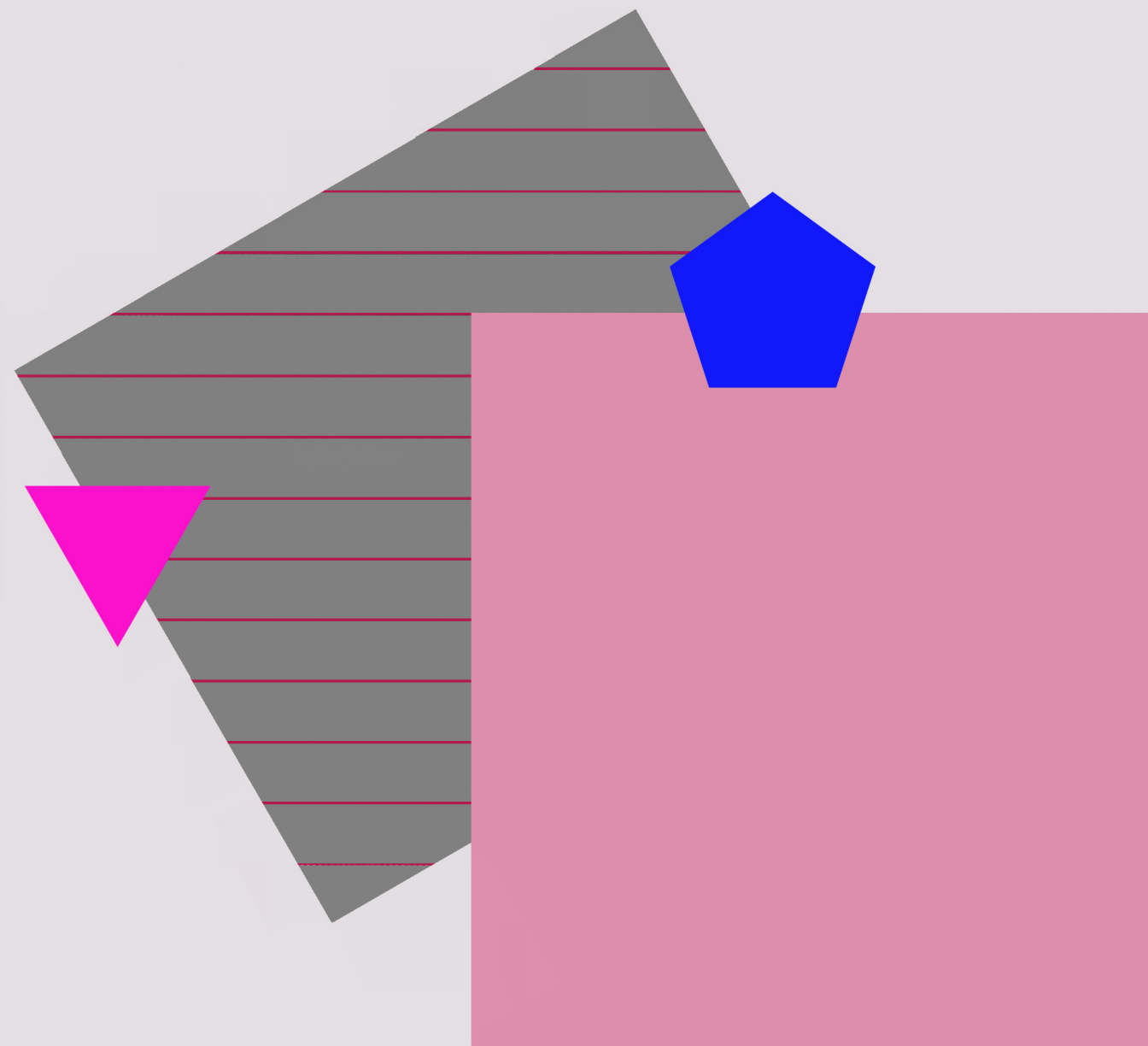
Quick File considers the report format you created for Pasta Personnel to be a change to the Pasta Personnel file. You must, therefore, save the file permanently on the Quick File data disk in order to save the report format permanently.

- 1. Enter **1** and press **RETURN**.** This option saves the new Pasta Personnel file, with its new report format, right on top of the old one.
- 2. Enter today's date and press **RETURN**.** Quick File tells you how full the disk is, and after you press the space bar presents the MAIN MENU.
- 3. Enter **7** and press **RETURN**.**

You have formatted and printed your first Quick File report and saved the report format you created. Congratulations!

Summary

Tables-style report	A report in columns and rows, one line per record
Labels-style report	A report in multiple lines per record
Reporting Options for Tables-Style Reports	
Deleting columns	Put cursor on column to be deleted D
Switching columns	Put cursor on column to be switched > or <
Arranging information	Put cursor on column you want records arranged by A
Setting printer options	O
Printing the report	P



Changing a Report Format

Quick File lets you change a report format after you have created and saved it. This chapter tells how to change a report format to include only certain records from your file. You will change the Personnel Report format you created in the previous chapter.

Specifically, this chapter tells how to

- Get the format you want to change
- Change the format using special record selection rules
- Discard special record selection rules
- Save the new format

It also includes a summary.

Getting the Format

To get the format you want to change, follow these steps:

1. **Start up Quick File and get the FILE CATALOG.**
2. **Enter `3` to get the Pasta Personnel file, and press `RETURN`.**
3. **Press `ESCAPE`.**
4. **Enter `2` and press `RETURN`.**

Quick File presents the FILE MENU.

Quick File presents the REPORT CATALOG. When you indicate you want to do reporting and you already have one or more report formats for that file, Quick File always presents the REPORT CATALOG.

There you see the report formats you have already created, as well as the options you have for creating new report formats.

The REPORT CATALOG displays the names of existing report formats and also presents options for creating new formats.

Existing report formats

```
File: Pasta Personnel          REPORT CATALOG          Escape: Report Menu
Report: Personnel Report

-----
Current report formats:
  1. Personnel Report
You may create a new report format:
  2. Tables format
  3. Labels format

-----
Type selection and Press Return. *
```

5. Enter **1** and press **RETURN**. You want to change the format for the Personnel Report.

Quick File presents the REPORT FORMAT display. You can change any of the specifications you gave the format originally or add new ones. In this example, you are going to change the report format by changing the record selection rules.

Changing the Format by Using Record Selection Rules

Record selection rules tell Quick File which records to print.

Quick File's record selection rules let you set up conditions that only certain records in the file meet. Then Quick File prints information from those records only.

The record selection rule currently on the REPORT FORMAT display (**Selection: All Records**) tells Quick File to print all records, as it did in the Pasta Personnel Report you created.

REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE lets you specify record selection rules, too. Whatever rules are in effect when you leave REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE are also in effect when you choose to create a new report format. You can change these rules, though, whenever you want.

You are going to see how to change the record selection rules for the Pasta Personnel Report three times, to create three different reports:

- The first report will include information about only those employees who are male.
- The second report will include information about only those employees who have been with Pasta more than five years.
- The third report will include information about only those employees who have been with Pasta more than five years and who have accumulated more than 40 hours of vacation time.

Report 1

This section explains how to create a report that includes only the records of male personnel.

1. Press the **F6** key and type **R**. “R” stands for Record selection.

Now Quick File presents a display with all the names of the categories for the Pasta Personnel file:

Pasta Personnel categories

```
File: Pasta Personnel          SELECT RECORDS          Escape: Report Format
Report: Personnel Report
Selection:

-----
1. Last Name
2. First Name
3. Dept
4. HireDate
5. Salary
6. Sex
7. Ethnic
8. Street Address
9. City/State/Zip
10. Emergency Contact
11. Emergency Phone
12. AccumHrsSick
13. AccumHrsVacation
14. Home Phone
-----
Type selection and Press Return. *
```

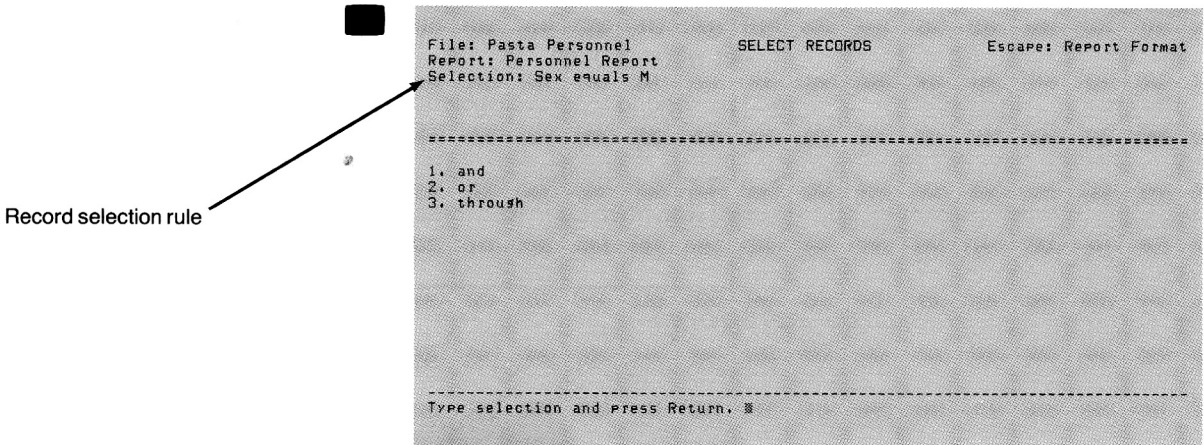
2. Enter **6** and press **RETURN**. Watch the record selection rules at the top of the screen.

Sex

3. Enter **1** and press **RETURN**. Sex equals

4. Enter **M** and press **RETURN**. You could also enter **m**.

Now the entire rule for reporting all male personnel is at the top of the screen. It looks like this:



You could go on to specify other things about these male personnel, using the choices of **and**, **or**, or **through**. This record selection rule, however, is finished.

5. Press (ESCAPE).

Quick File returns you to
REPORT FORMAT.

Now you can finish by selecting printer options if you want other than standard values, and printing the report.

By adding this record selection rule to the Pasta Personnel Report, you get a report on only male personnel:

```

File: Pasta Personnel
Report: Personnel Report
Selection: Sex equals M
  
```

Dept	Last Name	First Name	Street Address	City/State/Zip	Home Phone
01	Doonesbury	Michael	4738 Electra Blvd.	Denver, COLO 80110	303-555-384
01	Holston	Jack T.	1086 Clyde	Denver, COLO 80221	303-555-394
01	Johnson	Joel	137 S. Sunset	Littleton, COLO 80	303-555-576
02	Koller	Vernon E.	8011 E. Girard	Engleton, COLO 801	303-555-293
02	Russell	Johann	3813 Gleason Ave.	Denver, COLO 80129	303-161-937
03	Holland	Elmer	1569 Garvey Pl.	Denver, COLO 80220	303-147-192
03	Lippa	Blaise	1335 Dry Creek Rd.	Denver, COLO 80221	303-555-291
04	Kimbrue	Eugene	82 Flintwell Way	Engleton, COLO 801	303-187-291
04	Kissinger	Hank	1777 Shalen Ct.	Denver, COLO 80382	303-555-687
05	Cornpone	Jubilation	202 Calvert Dr.	Denver, COLO 83028	303-174-293

Formulating Record Selection Rules: To formulate record selection rules follow these steps:

- Choose a category from one of those listed. These are all the categories in the file, whether they are included in the report format or not. Thus, you can formulate a condition based on a category that isn't in a report.

- Choose a comparison:

For dates, you can choose equals, after, before, contains, is blank, or is not blank.

For other information, you can choose equals, greater than, less than, not equal to, is blank, is not blank, contains, begins with, ends with, does not contain, does not begin with, or does not end with.

- Enter a value that each entry in the category should be compared with.

You can connect as many as three of these single record selection rules together using either and, or, or through. (You cannot use both and and or in one record selection rule.) Quick File considers one, two, or three record selection rules connected with and, or, or through to be one record selection rule.

Report 2

This section shows you how to create a report that lists only the records of personnel who have been with Pasta for five years or more.

1. Press the **(F)** key and type **(R)**. Quick File asks you if you want to include all records.
2. Enter **(N)** and press **(RETURN)**. If you were to enter **Y**, you would get **Selection: All Records** again.
3. Enter **(4)** and press **(RETURN)**. The record selection rules should say:
`Hi re Da te`
4. Enter **(3)** and press **(RETURN)**. `Hi re Da te is before`
5. Enter **1-1-78** and press **(RETURN)**.

Now the screen looks like this:

```
File: Pasta Personnel          SELECT RECORDS          Escape: Report Format
Report: Personnel Report
Selection: HireDate is before JAN 1 78

-----
1. and
2. or

-----
Type selection and Press Return. *
```

6. Press (ESCAPE).

Quick File returns you to
REPORT FORMAT.

Now you can finish the report format by changing the format and/or the printer options, if you want.

Adding this record selection rule to the Pasta Personnel Report produces a report that lists only personnel who were hired before January 1, 1978.

```
File: Pasta Personnel
Report: Personnel Report
Selection: HireDate is before JAN 1 78
```

Dept	Last Name	First Name	Street Address	City/State/Zip	Home Phone
02	Koller	Vernon E.	8011 E. Girard	Engleton, COLO 801	303-555-293
02	Russell	Johann	3813 Gleason Ave.	Denver, COLO 80129	303-161-937
03	Mae	Daisy	12624 Titus Way	Dogpatch	
03	Monaghan	B. E.	92 Atlas Ave.	Denver, COLO 82929	303-181-675
04	Kissinger	Hank	1777 Shalen Ct.	Denver, COLO 80382	303-555-687
04	McVey	Randee	2569 Trimble Rd.	Denver, COLO 82938	303-178-392
04	Mulligan	Patrice	4758 Malpas Dr.	Denver, COLO 82736	303-187-322
05	Cornpone	Jubilation	202 Calvert Dr.	Denver, COLO 83028	303-174-293

Report 3

In this section you learn how to create a report that includes only the records of personnel who have been with Pasta for five years or more and who have accumulated more than 40 hours of vacation time.

1. Press the **(A)** key and type **(R)**.
2. Enter **(N)** and press **(RETURN)**. You don't want all records.
3. Enter **(4)** and press **(RETURN)**. HireDate
4. Enter **(3)** and press **(RETURN)**. HireDate is before
5. Enter **1-1-78** and press **(RETURN)**. HireDate is before
JAN 1 78
6. Enter **(1)** and press **(RETURN)**. HireDate is before
JAN 1 78 and
7. Enter **(1)(3)** and press **(RETURN)**. HireDate is before
JAN 1 78 and
AccumHrsVacation
8. Enter **(2)** and press **(RETURN)**. HireDate is before
JAN 1 78 and
AccumHrsVacation
is greater than
9. Enter **(4)(0)** and press **(RETURN)**.

Now the record selection rule is complete:

```
File: Pasta Personnel          SELECT RECORDS          Escape: Report Format
Report: Personnel Report
Selection: HireDate is before JAN 1 78
          and AccumHrsVacation is greater than 40

-----
1. and
2. through

-----
Type selection and Press Return.  ☒
```

10. Press **ESCAPE**.

Quick File takes you to the REPORT FORMAT screen. Now you can specify any changes to the report format and print it, if you want.

Adding this record selection rule to the Pasta Personnel Report produces a report that lists only personnel who have been with Pasta since January 1, 1978, and who have accumulated more than 40 hours of vacation time:

```
File: Pasta Personnel
Report: Personnel Report
Selection: HireDate is before JAN 1 78
and AccumHrsVacation is greater than 40
-----
Dept Last Name First Name Street Address City/State/Zip Home Phone
-----
02 Koller Vernon E. 8011 E. Girard Engleton, COLO 801 303-555-293
03 Mae Daisy 12624 Titus Way Dogpatch
03 Monaghan B. E. 92 Atlas Ave. Denver, COLO 82929 303-181-675
04 McVey Rande 2569 Trimble Rd. Denver, COLO 82938 303-178-392
05 Cornpone Jubilation 202 Calvert Dr. Denver, COLO 83028 303-174-293
```

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Discarding Record Selection Rules

It's easy to discard special record selection rules and get the Selection: All Records rule back again.

Follow these steps from the REPORT FORMAT screen:

1. Press the **F3** key and type **R**. Quick File presents the all/not all records question.

2. Enter **Y** and press **RETURN**.

All records will be printed now.

Saving the New Report Format

A report format can have only one set of record selection rules. Record selection rules are saved with the report formats they belong to.

After you change the report format and print the report, you can save the new format. If you save the Pasta Personnel Report format now, it will contain the last record selection rule you created.

1. Press **ESCAPE**.

Quick File takes you to the REPORT MENU.

2. Press **ESCAPE**.

Quick File takes you to the FILE MENU.

3. Press **ESCAPE**.

Since you have made changes in the file, Quick File presents you the options for saving the report format. (If no changes had been made, Quick File would have gone to the MAIN MENU.)

4. Enter **1** and press **RETURN**.

5. Enter today's date and press **RETURN**.

Quick File tells you how full your data disk is. Press the space bar to get the MAIN MENU.

6. Enter **7** and press **RETURN**.

Summary

Changing record selection rules

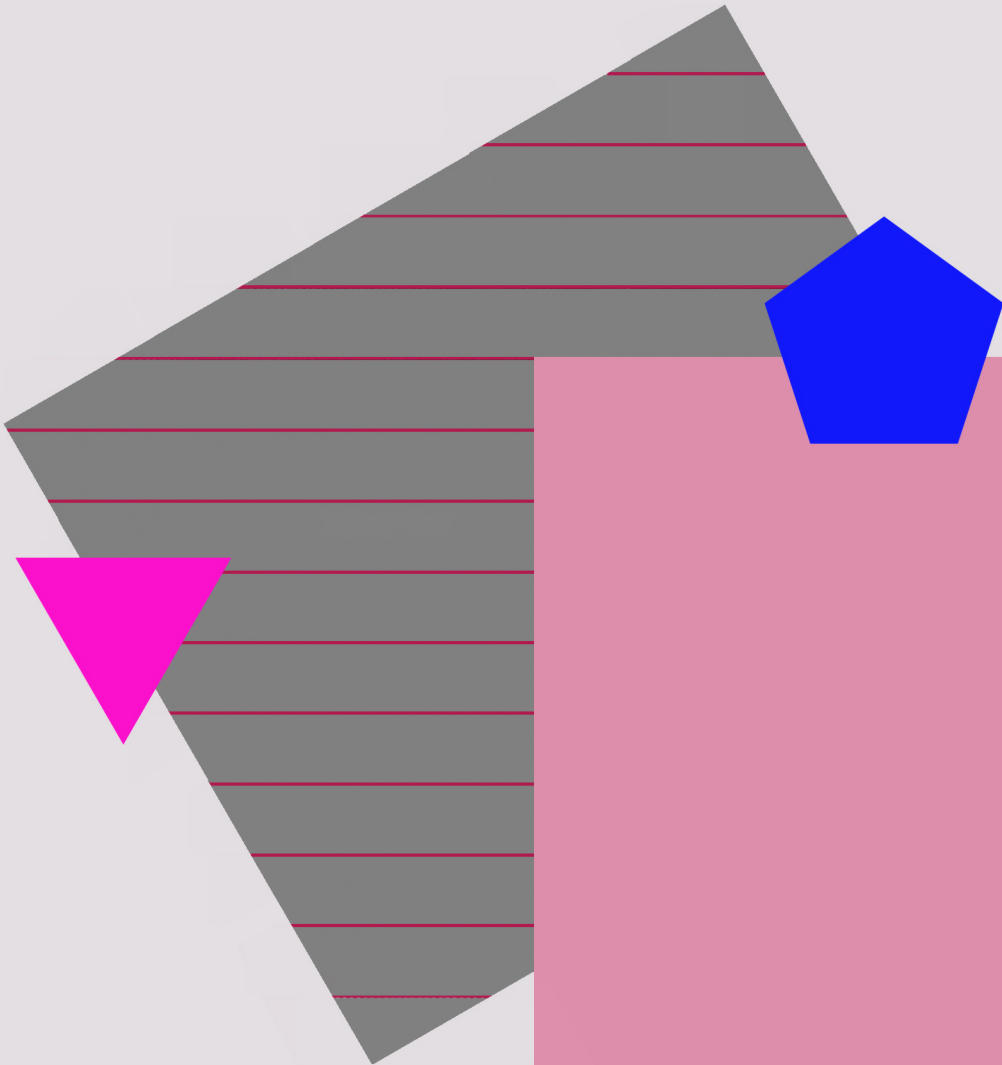
Press **↑** **R**

Enter number of category

Enter number of comparison

Enter value

Connect record selection rules with either and, or, or through



Calculating in Quick File Reports

Quick File lets you use numerical information already in a file to calculate new information and then print it in a report. You might, for example, multiply a total parts sold category by a price per part category to get the total amount of a sale. Or you might divide a cost category by a number of days category to get an average cost per day.

This chapter provides instructions on how to calculate in a Quick File report. It uses the sample file called June Expenses for illustration.

Specifically, the chapter tells you how to

- Create a calculated category
- Set up the report format for calculation
- Specify a report title

It also includes a summary.

Before Reporting: Look at the File

Before reporting, you should look at the information in the file. Look at June Expenses before you continue.

- 1. Start up Quick File and get the FILE CATALOG.**
- 2. Enter **2** to get June Expenses and press **(RETURN)**.**

Look at the file in multiple-record layout. This record layout shows expense account number, date, city and state visited, and categories for air fare, car rent, lodging, and meals. It also includes a charge number, which is the number for the project or the customer the expense was charged to. In 40-column display, this record layout shows less information.

```

File: June Expenses          REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE          Escape: File Menu
Selection: All records

-----
Num. Date      City/State      AirFare  CarRent  Lods    Meals    ChgNo
-----
001 JUN  4      Sacramento, CA  246.93   -        34.75   26.40    0901
001 JUN  5      Portland, OR   211.56   34.75   41.00   39.54    0291
001 JUN  6      Seattle        115.45   -        45.86   113.58   0293
002 JUN 10      Salt Lake, Utah 145.00   36.45   45.11   39.48    8237
002 JUN 11      Denver, Colo.  125.40   36.50   45.31   89.76    3847
002 JUN 12      Kansas City, Mo. 198.00   35.40   32.45   47.57    3948
002 JUN 13      Kansas City, KS  -        48.39   23.80   34.98    3049
003 JUN 21      Los Angeles    135.00   76.00   57.00   65.45    2837
003 JUN 22      Los Angeles    -        76.00   57.45   98.21    0394
003 JUN 23      Phoenix, Ariz.  93.20   -        34.50   47.28    8347
003 JUN 24      Albuquerque, NM  97.00   -        45.00   21.70    3847
004 JUN 30      Dallas, TX     298.00   43.00   45.98   313.00   4736
004 JUN 31      Houston, TX    75.00   -        78.00   400.72   8347
-----
Type entries or use DA options.          DA-? for Help

```

Now compare the file with the finished product, the report you'll produce.

The Finished Product

Here's the report you'll produce:

June Expense Report for Jeff Marshall
File: June Expenses
Report: June Expense Report

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Num.	Date	City/State	AirFare	CarRen	Lodg	Meals	Daily Tot	ChgNo
001	JUN 4	Sacramento,	246.93		34.75	26.40	308.08	0901
001	JUN 5	Portland, OR	211.96	34.75	41.00	39.54	327.25	0291
001	JUN 6	Seattle	115.45		45.86	113.58	274.89	0293
			574.34*	34.75*	121.61*	179.52*	910.22*	
002	JUN 10	Salt Lake, U	145.00	36.45	45.11	39.48	266.04	8237
002	JUN 11	Denver, Colo	125.40	36.50	45.31	89.76	296.97	3847
002	JUN 12	Kansas City,	198.00	35.40	32.45	47.57	313.42	3948
002	JUN 13	Kansas City,		48.39	23.90	34.98	107.27	3049
			468.40*	156.74*	146.77*	211.79*	983.70*	
003	JUN 21	Los Angeles	135.00	76.00	57.00	65.45	333.45	2837
003	JUN 22	Los Angeles		76.00	57.45	98.21	231.66	0394
003	JUN 23	Phoenix, Ari	93.20		34.50	47.28	174.98	8347
003	JUN 24	Albuquerque,	97.00		45.00	21.70	163.70	3847
			325.20*	152.00*	193.95*	232.64*	903.79*	
004	JUN 30	Dallas, TX	298.00	43.00	45.98	313.00	699.98	4736
004	JUN 31	Houston, TX	75.00		78.00	400.72	553.72	8347
			373.00*	43.00*	123.98*	713.72*	1253.70*	
			1740.94**	386.49**	586.31**	1337.67**	4051.41**	

Getting Ready to Report

After looking at the June Expenses file and the report you'll produce, you should get the reporting feature of Quick File.

1. Press **(ESCAPE)**. Quick File presents the FILE MENU.
2. Enter **(2)** and press **(RETURN)**. Quick File presents the REPORT MENU.
3. Enter **(2)** and press **(RETURN)**. You want to create a tables-style report.
4. Enter the name of the report: **JUNE EXPENSE REPORT**. Press **(RETURN)**.

Quick File creates a **calculated category** by manipulating numerical information included in other categories.

When you **justify** a numerical category, all the decimal points line up underneath each other when the report is printed.

Creating a Calculated Category

When you are creating a calculated category, you will probably want to justify numeric categories that will be used when calculating the new category. Then you will need to add the new category to your report. This section tells how.

Justifying Numeric Categories

You can ask Quick File to justify the numbers in your numeric categories so that the decimal points line up under each other. Since your calculated category is automatically justified, you will want to justify other numeric categories that will appear in your report to match.

1. Move the cursor to the Air-Fare category, category D.

The cursor must be on the category you are working with.

2. Press the J key and type J .

“J” stands for Justify.

Quick File asks how many decimal places are in the entries in this category.

3. Enter 2 and press RETURN .

You can choose up to four decimal places.

Quick File asks how many blank spaces should be inserted after the category.

4. Enter 3 and press RETURN .

You can always come back to this layout and change it if you don't like the format you are creating.

Quick File fills the Air Fare entries with 9's, which denote a numeric category. It also justifies the decimal points, provides two decimal places for each entry, and puts three spaces after the category on the report.

5. Use the J key and ← to shorten AirFare until it looks like this: 9999.99

Quick File can use numeric data with up to ten places before the decimal point and four places after to produce a calculated category.

Now the report layout looks like this:

AirFare category

```
File: June Expenses          REPORT FORMAT          Escape: Report Menu
Report: June Expense Report
Selection: All records

=====

-----
Num.      Date      City/State  AirFare  CarRent  Lods      Meals
-A-----B-----C-----D-----E-----F-----G-----
001      JUN  4      Sacramento, 9999.99  34.75    34.75     26.50
001      JUN  5      Portland, OR 9999.99  34.75    41.00     39.54
001      JUN  6      Seattle     9999.99  34.75    45.86     113.5

-----
Use options shown on Help screen          More --->
                                           DA-? for Help
```

Follow these directions to justify CarRent, Lodg, and Meals:

6. Place the cursor on the category name.

If you are using a 40-column display, only part of the category may appear on the screen. Move the cursor one column to the right to get the category on the screen, and then move the cursor back to the category you wish to work with.

7. Press the `↑` key and type `J`.

8. Specify two decimal places.

9. Indicate that each category should have three spaces after it.

10. Use the `↑` key and `←` to shorten each category until it looks like this: 999.99

Now the report format looks like this:

```

File: June Expenses           REPORT FORMAT           Escape: Report Menu
Report: June Expense Report
Selection: All records







=====

-----
Num.      Date      City/State  AirFare  CarRen  Lodg  Meals  ChgN
-A-----B-----C-----D-----E-----F-----G-----H--
001      JUN  4      Sacramento, 9999.99  999.99  999.99  999.99  0901
001      JUN  5      Portland, OR 9999.99  999.99  999.99  999.99  0291
001      JUN  6      Seattle      9999.99  999.99  999.99  999.99  0293

-----
Use options shown on Help screen                               More --->
                                                                QA-? for Help

```

Now shorten the Num., Date, and Chg. No. categories.

11. Place the cursor on the **Num. category**.
12. Press the  key and type  eight times, slowly.
13. Place the cursor on the **Date category**.
14. Press the  key and type  five times.
15. Place the cursor on the **Chg. No. category**.
16. Press the  key and type  seven times.

Defining a Calculated Category

The calculated category you are going to define is a daily total of AirFare, CarRent, Lodg, and Meals. Using the category letters, you'll give Quick File the following calculation rules:

D+E+F+G

Create the calculated category:

1. Place the cursor on the **ChgNo category**.

The calculated category is always inserted to the left of the cursor.

5. Enter **2** and press **RETURN**.

If you want the standard value **0**, press **RETURN**.

6. Enter **3** and press **RETURN**.

Enter the number of blank spaces you want after the Daily Total category. You could also just press **RETURN**, since **3** is the standard value.

7. Use the **3** key and **←** to shorten the Daily Total category by two places.

Examples of other calculation rules are

$A+B+D/F$

$A+C-3.45$

$A*B$

Quick File performs all calculations from left to right.

The calculations for Daily Total will appear on your report. Now you can enter other specifications for the report.

Specifying Group and Category Totals

Look again at the report you'll be creating, shown earlier in the chapter. Note that subtotals, or "group totals," are printed for each expense account. In addition, the calculated category and other numeric categories have category totals at the end of the report.

This section tells how to ask for these group and category totals.

1. **Place the cursor on the Num. category.**

When you are specifying group totals, you should put the cursor on the category whose value all records in the group have in common. Quick File calculates a group total when the value of this category changes.

A **group** is a number of records with the value of a specific category in common. For instance, all records with expense account number 1 belong to the same group, and **group totals** can be produced for their numeric categories.

2. Press the **␣** key and type **G**.

Group total specifications appear at the top of the format, and Quick File asks you whether it should print group totals only. If you were to enter **Y**, you would get a report showing only group totals and not individual records.

```
File: June Expenses           GROUP TOTALS           Escape: Report Format
Report: June Expense Report
Selection: All records

Group totals on: Num.          Calc. rules: D+E+F+G
=====

-----
Num  Date   City/State  AirFare   CarRen    Lodg     Meals   Daily Tot  ChgNo
-A-- -B----- -C----- -D----- -E----- -F----- -G----- ----- -I---
001  JUN  4  Sacramento  9999.99   999.99   999.99   999.99   999999.99 0901
001  JUN  5  Portland, OR 9999.99   999.99   999.99   999.99   999999.99 0291
001  JUN  6  Seattle     9999.99   999.99   999.99   999.99   999999.99 0293
-----
Print group totals only? (Y/N) N                                     More --->
```

Group totals →

What to print? →

3. Enter **N** and press **RETURN**, or just press **RETURN**.

You want all the records and the totals.

Now Quick File asks if you want to go to a new page after each group total.

4. Enter **N** and press **RETURN**, or just press **RETURN**.

This is a short report, so you don't want to go to a new page after each group total.

Grouping by Alphabetic Categories: You can group records in a table-style report by alphabetic category, too. Then Quick File skips a line whenever the value in that category changes. That's a neat way to format reports.

To do so, put the cursor on the alphabetic category you want to group by and press the **␣** key and **G**.






Whenever you ask for group totals for numeric categories, you will also want to tell Quick File what categories to total. It will not only total but will also automatically justify those categories. Here are the instructions for doing that.

5. Put the cursor on the **AirFare** category name.

The cursor should be on the category that will have a category total.



Specifying a Report Title






You have already specified a name for the report, June Expense Report. This name is printed at the top of the report and the report format has this name. But you can also specify a report title, which is a longer, more specific name.

- 1. Press the  key and type .** Quick File asks you to enter a new report name or press .
- 2. Press .** Don't change the report name.
- 3. Enter the title, June Expense Report for Jeff Marshall, and press .** The title can be 39 characters long on a 40-column Apple IIe system, and 79 characters long on 80-column systems.

Printing the June Expense Report

Now you must specify printer options and print the report.

- 1. Press the  key and type .** You can change any of these, if you want.

The standard printer options will work well for this report, however.
- 2. Press .** Quick File returns you to the REPORT FORMAT screen.
- 3. Press the  key and type .** Indicate that you want to print the report.
- 4. Enter the number of the kind of device where you want the report printed. Then press .**
- 5. Enter today's date and press .**

Now Quick File prints the report on whatever device you specified.

When you press the space bar at the end of the report (if you've sent it to the screen), Quick File presents the REPORT FORMAT display. You can make changes to the report format if you don't like it.

Now you should leave the reporting activities for June Expenses:

6. **Press** **(ESCAPE)**. Quick File presents the REPORT MENU.
7. **Press** **(ESCAPE)**. Quick File presents the FILE MENU.
8. **Press** **(ESCAPE)**. Quick File presents the options for saving the changed file.
9. **Enter** **(1)** and **press** **(RETURN)**. Save this version of the file, with the new report format.
10. **Enter today's date and press** **(RETURN)**, or just **press** **(RETURN)**. Quick File saves the new file with its changes, and tells you how full the disk is.

When you again indicate that you want to use June Expenses for reporting, you will see your newly created report format, June Expense Report.

Summary

Identify a numeric category

Put the cursor on the numeric category

(F) (J)

Tell number of decimal places

Tell number of spaces to the right of the category

Specify a calculated category

Put the cursor on the category to the right of where you want the calculated category to appear

(F) (C)

Enter name of category

Enter calculation rules:

$D + E$

$A - B + 4$

$C * D * 3$

A / B

Tell number of decimal places

Tell number of spaces to the right of the category

Specify group totals

Put the cursor on the category whose value determines the group

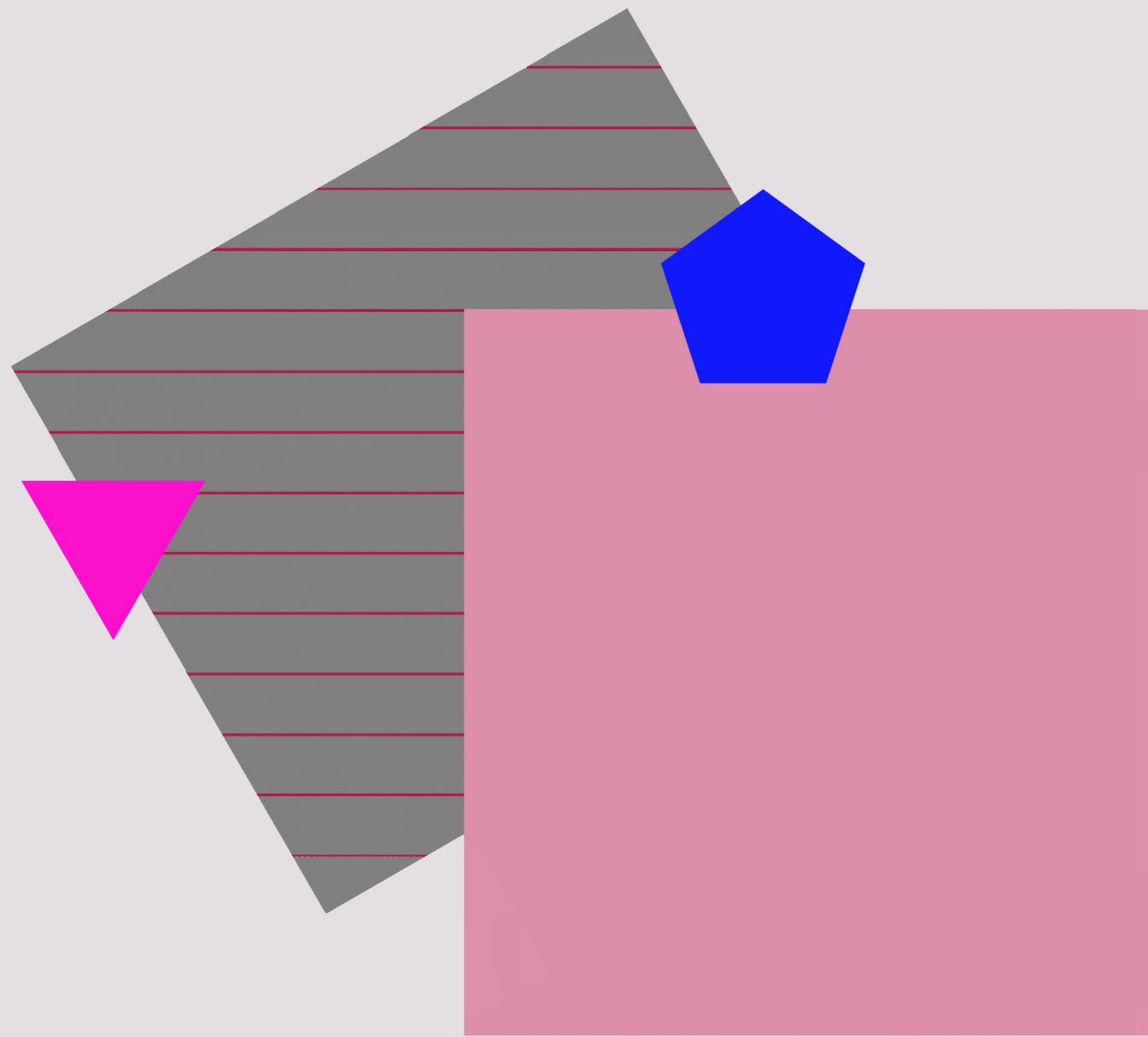


Specify category totals

Put the cursor on the category you want totaled.



Quick File automatically justifies the column.



Creating a Labels-Style Report

This chapter tells you how to create a labels-style report. Specifically, it creates labels with the **Pasta Personnel** file.

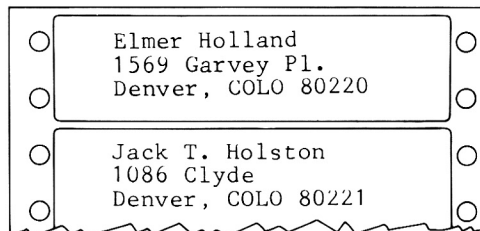
The chapter includes information on how to

- Place information appropriately
- Check an example
- Set printer options

It also includes a summary.

The Finished Product

The labels you are going to produce look like this:



And the REPORT FORMAT display that created the labels looks like this:

```
File: Pasta Personnel          REPORT FORMAT          Escape: Report Menu
Report: Personnel Labels
Selection: All records

=====
First Name      <Last Name
Street Address
City/State/Zip

-----Each record will print 6 lines-----

Use options shown on Help screen          DA-? for Help
```

Getting Ready to Report

1. Start up Quick File and get the FILE CATALOG.

2. Enter **3** to get the Pasta Personnel file.

3. Press **ESCAPE**.

4. Enter **2** and press **RETURN**.

5. Enter the number that indicates you want to create a new labels format.

6. Enter the name of the report: Personnel Labels. Press **RETURN**.

Quick File presents the REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE record layout on your screen.

Quick File presents the FILE MENU.

Quick File presents the REPORT CATALOG.

The number for a labels format depends on how many report formats you have already for Pasta Personnel.

Quick File presents a list of the categories that belong to Pasta Personnel.

Pasta Personnel categories

```
File: Pasta Personnel          REPORT FORMAT          Escape: Report Menu
Report: Personnel Labels
Selection: All records

-----
Last Name
First Name
Dept
HireDate
Salary
Sex
Ethnic
Street Address
City/State/Zip
Emergency Contact
Emergency Phone
AccumHrsSick
AccumHrsVacation
Home Phone
-----
Each record will print 14 lines
Use options shown on Help screen                                OA-? for Help
```

This information tells you how many lines will print if you don't change the layout. When you change it, this number changes.

This number is very important when you are printing labels, because you must plan precisely how many lines will be used for each label.

The number of lines depends on the label you are using. The labels created in this chapter are one-inch, six-line labels.

Look at the HELP information available to you when you are creating labels-style report formats.

7. Press the key and type

Quick File presents HELP information for creating labels-style report formats:

```
File: Pasta Personnel          REPORT FORMAT          Escape: Report Menu
Report: Personnel Labels
Selection: All records

-----
Arrows      Move cursor location
OA-arrows   Move category location
> OA <      Next or previous record
OA-A        Arrange (sort) this category
OA-B OA-E   Go to beginning or end of file
OA-D        Delete this blank line or cat.
OA-I        Insert a blank line or a
            previously deleted category
OA-J        Left justify this category
OA-N        Change report name and title
OA-O        Printer options
OA-P        Print the report
OA-R        Change record selection rules
OA-U        Print category name AND entry
OA-Z        Zoom between cat. name, entry
-----
Press Space Bar to continue. #
```

Complete information about each of the options shown on the HELP display is included in Chapter 10. The HELP display information is also included on the Quick File II Reference Card.

As you can see, many options here are the same as those for tables-style report formats. Options unique to labels-style formats are described in this chapter.

Now go back to REPORT FORMAT.

8. Press the space bar to return to REPORT FORMAT display.

Placing Information Appropriately

To create a labels-style report, you must place information appropriately. You must tell what categories to include, place categories, arrange spacing, and left-justify categories. This section tells how.

Telling What Categories to Include

First you should delete the categories you won't need on the labels.

1. Place the cursor on the first unnecessary category: Dept. You don't want to delete Name.

2. Press the  key and type .

3. Delete HireDate, Salary, Sex, Ethnic, Emergency Contact, Emergency Phone, AccumHrsSick, AccumHrsVacation, and HomePhone.

Don't delete Street Address or City/State/Zip.

Now the REPORT FORMAT display looks like this:

Deleting unnecessary categories

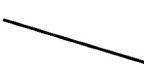
```
File: Pasta Personnel          REPORT FORMAT          Escape: Report Menu
Report: Personnel Labels
Selection: All records

=====
Last Name
First Name

Street Address
City/State/Zip

*-----Each record will print 14 lines-----
Use options shown on Help screen          DA-? for Help
```

Cursor is on the bottom line.



Including Category Names: Recall that tables-style reports always include category names. Labels-style reports do not include category names unless you specify that they should. You use **Ⓢ** **Ⓥ** to do this.

For instance, if you decided to include Emergency Phone and Home Phone in your labels-style Pasta Personnel report, you would want the report to include these two category names so you could tell which phone number was which. To instruct Quick File to do this, place the cursor on the entry whose category name you want to include in the report and type **Ⓢ** **Ⓥ**.

To remove a category name from your report, simply move the cursor to the appropriate category and type **Ⓢ** **Ⓥ**.

Placing Categories

Now you should move the categories so that First Name is before Last Name on the top line, and so that Street Address is on the second line, followed by City/State/Zip on the third.

1. Place the cursor on the first character of Last Name.

2. Press the **Ⓢ key and type **→** 15 times.** Last Name moves to the right 15 spaces.

3. Place the cursor on the first character of First Name.

4. Press the **Ⓢ key and type **↑** once.** First Name moves up to the first line.

5. Place the cursor on Street Address.

6. Press the **Ⓢ key and type **↑** enough times so that Street Address is on the second line.**

7. Move City/State/Zip up to the third line.

When designing your format, make sure to leave enough room for your entries before typing the next category name.

Now REPORT FORMAT looks like this:

```
File: Pasta Personnel          REPORT FORMAT          Escape: Report Menu
Report: Personnel Labels
Selection: All records

-----
First Name      Last Name
Street Address
City/State/Zip

-----Each record will print 14 lines-----
Use options shown on Help screen          DA-? for Help
```

Adding and deleting blank lines

Arranging Spacing

Suppose you want to place the printing on the labels so that there are no blank lines above the printing and three blank lines below the printing. Follow these instructions:



1. **Move the cursor down to the line below City/State/Zip.** You are going to delete blank lines.
2. **Press the `Ⓚ` key and type `D`.** Delete one blank line.

Now the REPORT FORMAT display looks like this:

```
File: Pasta Personnel          REPORT FORMAT          Escape: Report Menu
Report: Personnel Labels
Selection: All records

-----
First Name      Last Name
Street Address
City/State/Zip
*

-----Each record will print 13 lines-----
Use options shown on Help screen          DA-? for Help
```


3. Press the  key and type  until the message Each record will print 6 lines **is displayed.** On a 40-column display, the message 6 lines will be displayed.

Now the REPORT FORMAT screen looks like this:

```

File: Pasta Personnel          REPORT FORMAT          Escape: Report Menu
Report: Personnel Labels
Selection: All records



-----
First Name      Last Name
Street Address
City/State/Zip

*-----Each record will print 6 lines-----

-----
Use options shown on Help screen          OA-? for Help

```

This label will have no blank lines on top of the printing and three below.

Laying Out Labels: Quick File gives you complete flexibility in how labels are laid out. You could, for example, use the  key and  to insert one blank line at the top, and then delete one blank line at the bottom. Then the label would be spaced differently.

Left-Justifying Categories

Labels-style reports can be printed with entries unjustified. That means, for example, that a certain number of spaces are left for a first name, regardless of how long it is. Then the last name is printed. So the name lines for Joel Johnson and Patrice Mulligan would look like this:

```

Joel           Johnson
Patrice        Mulligan

```

You've probably seen labels whose name lines look like that.

But labels look better when categories are left-justified. That means that the space between entries is closed up:

```



Joel Johnson
Patrice Mulligan

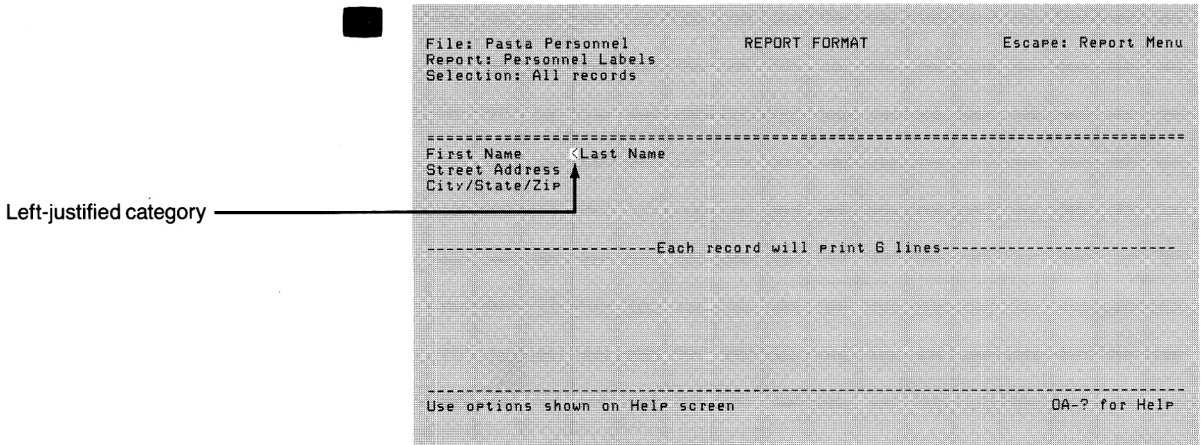
```

Here's how to left-justify labels.



1. Place the cursor on Last Name.

2. Press the  key and type .

Quick File places a  to the left of Last Name. The  doesn't show on the label.



Now the last name will be printed immediately to the right of the first name on the label, with only one space separating them.

You can remove the left justification by placing the cursor on the left-justified category and pressing the  key and  again.

Checking an Example

Zooming in to check out the layout

Now you can zoom into a record that is formatted as you just specified, to see what it looks like.

1. Press the  key and type .

Zoom into the first record in the Pasta Personnel file: zooming here lets you see how the information looks when it is formatted as you have specified.

This is how the record looks. The last name is not justified when you zoom, but it will be on the label.

```
File: Pasta Personnel          REPORT FORMAT          Escape: Report Menu
Report: Personnel Labels
Selection: All records

-----
Michael          <Doonesbury
4738 Electra Blvd.
Denver, COLO 80110

-----Each record will print 6 lines-----

-----
Use options shown on Help screen          DA-? for Help
```

After you have zoomed in, you can use the **F** key and **>** or **<** or **B** or **E** to look through the records now.

2. Press the **F key and type **Z**.** Zoom back to the format.

Setting Printer Options

Now you should set the printer options for the labels-style report.

1. Press the **F key and type **O**.**

Quick File presents the printer options for the labels-style report. Options 15 and 16 are specific to labels-style reports. Option 15 allows you to omit a line when all entries on the line are blank. Option 16 keeps the number of lines the same within each record.

Both options are already set to "yes". If you leave 15 the way it is, Quick File closes up blank lines within records. If you change 15 to "no" (simply by entering **15**), then Quick File leaves blank lines within records even if all the entries on the line are blank.

Here's an example for a record with name, company, address, and city/state/zip categories:

Option 15 is yes:	Option 15 is no:
Randolph P. Sletter P. O. Box 2 Cupertino, CA 95014	Randolph P. Sletter P.O. Box 2 Cupertino, CA 95014

In the example on the left, because there was no information in the company category, the blank line was omitted. In the example on the right, with option 15 changed to “no”, the blank line was not omitted.

If you leave 15 set to “yes”, then you must make sure the labels start every sixth line. So you leave option 16 the same, also.

You can leave 15 as is but change 16 to “no”, too. Then if a blank line is omitted, the record gets shorter. But if you change 15 to “no”, option 16 is eliminated because records will automatically be the same length.

Leave 15 and 16 set to “yes” for the labels you are now creating.

2. **Type** **1** and press **RETURN**. You are going to change the left margin width so you won't print too close to the left side of the label.
3. **Type** **5** and press **RETURN**.
4. **Type** **8** and press **RETURN**. You are going to change page length.
5. **Enter** **6** and press **RETURN**. Change length of page for one-inch labels, six lines per inch.
6. **Type** **1****2** and press **RETURN**. Quick File shouldn't stop at the end of a page.
7. **Type** **1****3** and press **RETURN**. Don't print a heading for labels.
8. **Press** **ESCAPE**. Return to REPORT FORMAT.

Finishing



Now you should print the report and save the report format, just as you are used to doing.

You can interrupt printing at any time by pressing **ESCAPE** if the labels (or any report) aren't printing the way you want. Then you can change any of the information in the format and start printing again with the **⌘** key and **P**.



Summary

Zoom between category names and data; useful for checking spacing **⌘** and **Z**

You can print a labels-style report in an Apple Writer IIe file. The appendix to this manual tells how.

Getting the next or previous record when you are checking how information looks with the format you have specified; use after  and 



 and 

Moving to the first or last record in a file when you are checking how information looks with the format you have specified; use after  and 

 and 

Delete a blank line or category

Put the cursor on the category or blank line to be deleted

 and 

Insert a blank line or a previously deleted category

Put the cursor on the line above or below where the blank line is to be inserted, or on the column to the right of where the category is to be inserted.

 and 

Left-justify a category

Put the cursor on the category to be left-justified

 and 

Print category name on a report

Put the cursor on the entry whose category name you want included in the report

 and 

Printer options for labels:

1. Left margin

may be changed

8. Length of page

should probably be changed

12. Stop at the end of each page

should probably be changed

13. Print title block at top of each page

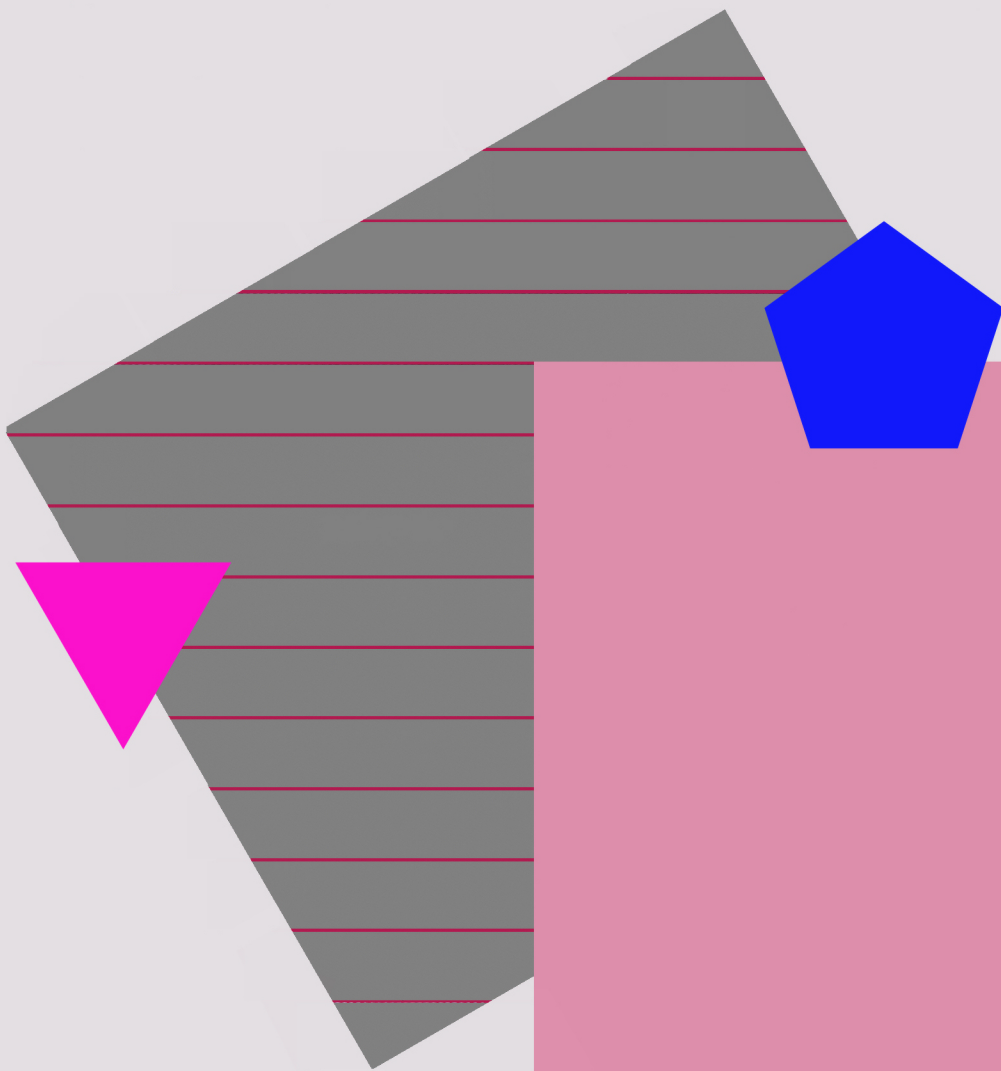
should be changed

15. Omit line when all entries are blank

should be left as is

16. Keep number of lines the same within each record

should be left as is



It's Your Turn: Creating a Quick File File

Now that you know all about working with Quick File files and creating Quick File reports, it's time to use Quick File to meet your specific needs: to create your own files. This chapter tells how.

It includes information on how to

- Define Quick File files
- Start a new Quick File data disk
- Create a file and several records
- Save the new file
- Change the structure of a file

It concludes with a summary of steps for starting your own data disk and Quick File files.

Defining Quick File Files

The first step in defining Quick File files is to analyze your own information needs. Take all the information you want Quick File to organize and put it into stacks so that common information is in each stack.

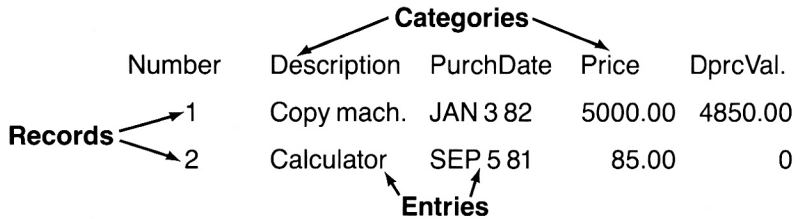
Maybe all your information fits into three stacks: names and addresses, appointments, and information about the equipment your business owns. Each stack then becomes a Quick File file.

Now look at one of the stacks of common information. Find out exactly what all the items in the stack have in common. For example, all the items in your equipment inventory might have a number, description, date purchased, purchase price, and depreciated value. These become the categories in the file.

Each item in the file becomes a Quick File record. For example, your copy machine and your calculator could each have a record in the equipment inventory file.

So the file looks like this:

Equipment Inventory File



You now may want to check the guidelines for Quick File files included in Chapter 10.

You can also create files on a disk you've used previously with another program. If you want to do this, read ahead through the next gray box before proceeding.

Starting a New Quick File Data Disk

When you create files of your own, you should put them on a new data disk. This section tells how.

Start with the Quick File program disk and a blank disk for the new file.

1. Insert the new data disk in the second disk drive.

2. Start Quick File by inserting the Quick File program disk in drive 1 and turning on the Apple IIe.

3. Type `2` and press `RETURN`.

4. Enter `2` and press `RETURN`.

5. Enter a name for the new disk, and press `RETURN`.

Quick File asks you for the location of your FILE CATALOG.

Indicate that the new file will go on the disk in the second disk drive.

Quick File double checks to make sure there is no catalog on that disk and tells you it still can't find the FILE CATALOG. The reason, of course, is that there is none on the blank disk.

Indicate that you want to write a new FILE CATALOG on the disk in the second drive.

The disk name can be up to seven characters long, and must contain only numbers and letters.

6. Press space bar.

Your disk will now be **formatted**.

Formatting New Disks:

Before a new disk (or one used previously with a program other than Quick File) can be used by Quick File, it must first be **formatted**. This means that whatever is on the disk is erased and its surface is prepared to receive information. In addition, Quick File creates an empty FILE CATALOG on the new disk.

There are three different ways you can format a Quick File data disk:

- Start Quick File with a blank or previously used disk in drive 2, as described above.
- Choose option 5, "Format a blank diskette", from the MAIN MENU.
- Choose option 5, "Format a blank diskette", from the FILE MENU.

What you're doing with Quick File at the moment will determine which method you use.

7. Type **N** to tell Quick File you don't want to format another disk.

8. Press space bar until Quick File presents the MAIN MENU.

9. Enter **2** and press **RETURN**. You want to create a new file.

Instructions for creating a new file follow.

Creating the File and Several Records

After you choose option 2 from the MAIN MENU, Quick File presents the display that asks for the name of the file:

```
File: None                CREATE A NEW FILE                Escape: Erase entry

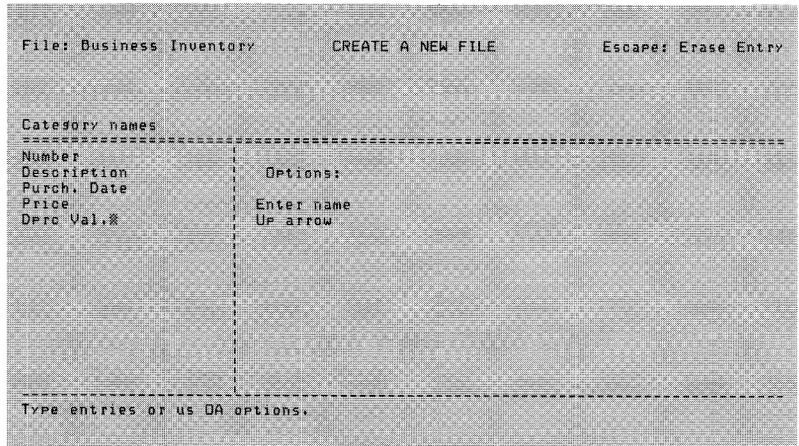
-----
Category names
-----
CREATE A NEW FILE

-----
Enter file name, Business Inventory*
```

1. Enter the name of the file and press (RETURN).

The name of the file can be 20 characters long.

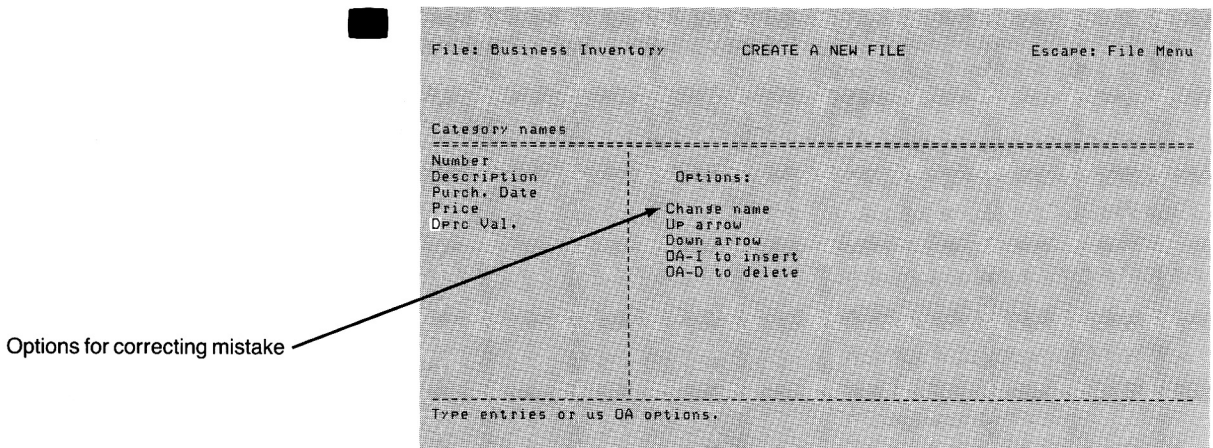
Quick File presents the display that asks for the names of the categories:



2. Enter the names of the categories that are included in your file. Press (RETURN) after each.

The category names can be 20 characters long.

If you make a mistake after you enter the name of a category, you should press (↑) to get back to the category name. Then Quick File presents your options for correcting the mistake:



Options for correcting mistake

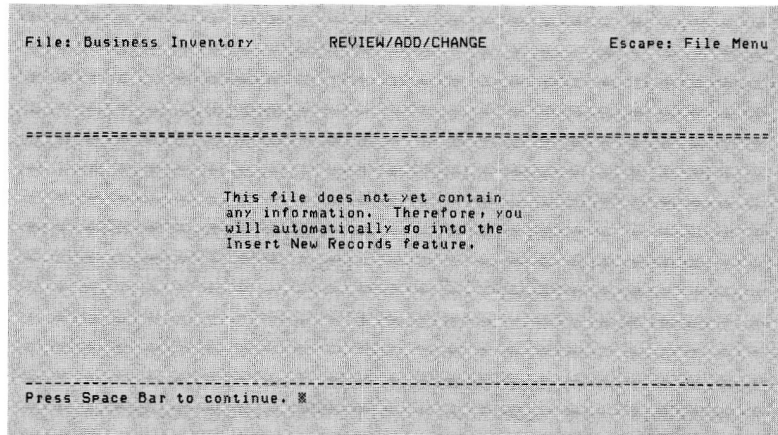
When you are satisfied with the categories you have created, you can add records to the file:

3. Press `ESCAPE`.

Quick File takes you to the FILE MENU.

4. Enter `1` and press `RETURN`.

Quick File tells you there is no information in the file:



```
File: Business Inventory          REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE          Escape: File Menu
-----
This file does not yet contain
any information. Therefore, you
will automatically go into the
Insert New Records feature.
-----
Press Space Bar to continue. *
```

5. Press the space bar.

Quick File presents a blank record in single-record layout. Remember you are using the Insert feature.

6. Enter your new records.

7. Press `ESCAPE`.

After you add records, you must press `ESCAPE` to get REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE.

Quick File lets you set up standard values for categories in your file so that it's easier to add new records. The next gray box on "Using Standard Values" tells how.

Quick File keeps track of how many records you've added and the number of additional records you can add to your file. The number of additional records is estimated based on the average length of the records already in the file. The number usually changes with each record you add. You must enter at least five records to get an estimate.

After you have created your new file, you can use any of the Quick File features described in Chapter 10.

Using Standard Values: Quick File lets you set up standard values for categories so that when you are inserting records, the entry gets the standard value unless you enter another value for it. This is a great time-saver when many entries in a category have the same value.

You would want to use a standard value when many of the parts in your parts file have the same cost, for example. Or when many of the people in the file live in the same city.

When you are in REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE or have typed **(F1)** to insert new records, you can create a standard value for a category.

1. Put the cursor on the entry that is to become the standard value for the category.

2. Press the **(F1) key and type **(S)**.**

Quick File presents the standard values for all categories. The information the cursor was on becomes the standard value for the category. Then you can change or create new standard values for categories.

3. Put the cursor at the category, enter a new value, and press **(RETURN).**

Place a standard value in the category.

4. Press **(ESCAPE).**

Go back to REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE or to INSERT NEW RECORDS.

Whenever you insert records, categories with standard values are already filled in. You can leave the entry with its standard value by simply pressing **(RETURN)**, or you can change it.

To remove a standard value, start from REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE or INSERT NEW RECORDS. Put the cursor on the category whose standard value you want to change. Press the **(F1)** **(S)**. Then press the space bar while the cursor is on the category whose standard value you are removing, and press **(RETURN)**. The standard value is removed.

Saving the New File

As you add records to the file, you should save the new file to the Quick File data disk occasionally. This way you make sure you lose a minimum of work in a circumstance such as a power outage.

To save the new file, press **(ESCAPE)** to leave the insert feature, press **(ESCAPE)** again to leave REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE, and choose option 3 from the FILE MENU. Then Quick File presents the following display:

Saving changes

Options for saving new file

```
File: Business Inventory          SAVE FILE          Escape: File Menu

-----
You created the above file.
1. Save the new file onto disk.
2. Keep working with the file.
3. Throw away the new file.
4. (Not available)
5. Save the file onto alternate disk.

-----
Type selection and Press Return. *
```

You can choose from the above options for saving your new file.

Quick File also reminds you to save the new file when you try to get another file or to leave Quick File.

Changing the Way a File Is Put Together

Frequently when you create a file, you don't think of everything. That is, you forget to set up categories you need or you create categories you don't need. Or you find you want to change a category name.

One important Quick File feature is that you can change the way a file is put together after you create it. This feature lets you be very flexible in managing your files.

You should be aware of certain guidelines before you change a file structure, however. If you delete a category, your whole file is rearranged so that all the information that was in that category is gone. Then all the report formats and any customized layouts you had for that file are erased. That makes sense: if you change a file structure you will want to create new formats and layouts anyway. The same thing happens if you add a category.

A word of caution

You can change a file or category name, however, without losing report formats and customized record layouts.

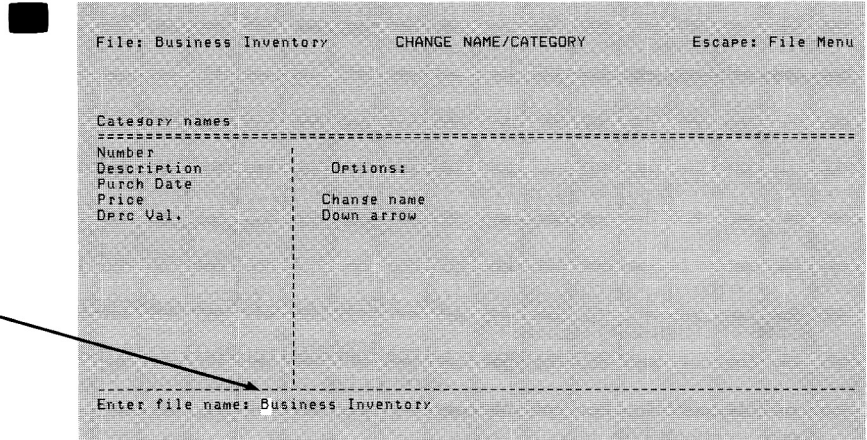
The obvious conclusion to the above is this: while it is easy to change the way a file is put together, doing so does have implications you should think about beforehand.

To change the way the current file is put together, you must first get that file and then get to the FILE MENU.

1. Enter `F4` from the FILE MENU.

Indicate to Quick File that you want to change the structure of the current file.

Quick File presents the display that allows you to change the file name. Notice that the cursor is on the current file name at the bottom of the screen.



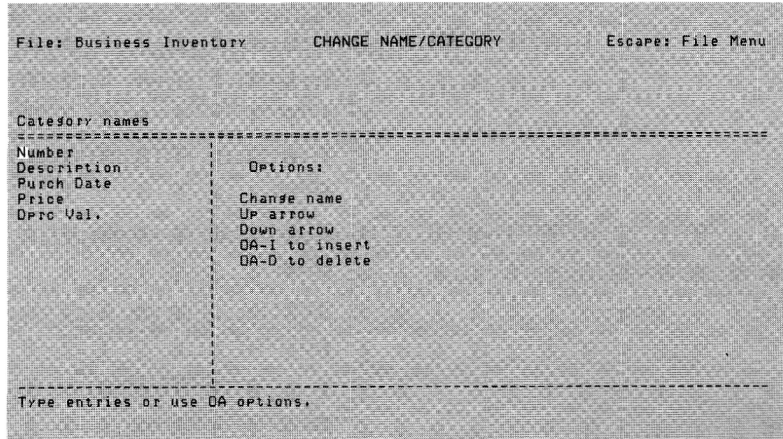
2. Enter the new file name and press `RETURN`.

If you don't want to change the file name, just press `RETURN`.

Changing a category name

Adding and deleting categories

Now Quick File presents the options for changing the file structure:



You can change a category name, insert a new category, or delete an existing category.

3. Press `ESCAPE` to return to the FILE MENU when you are through making changes.

Before you leave this file with its changes, Quick File will ask you if you want to make your changes permanent.

Quick File Fast Lane Revisited

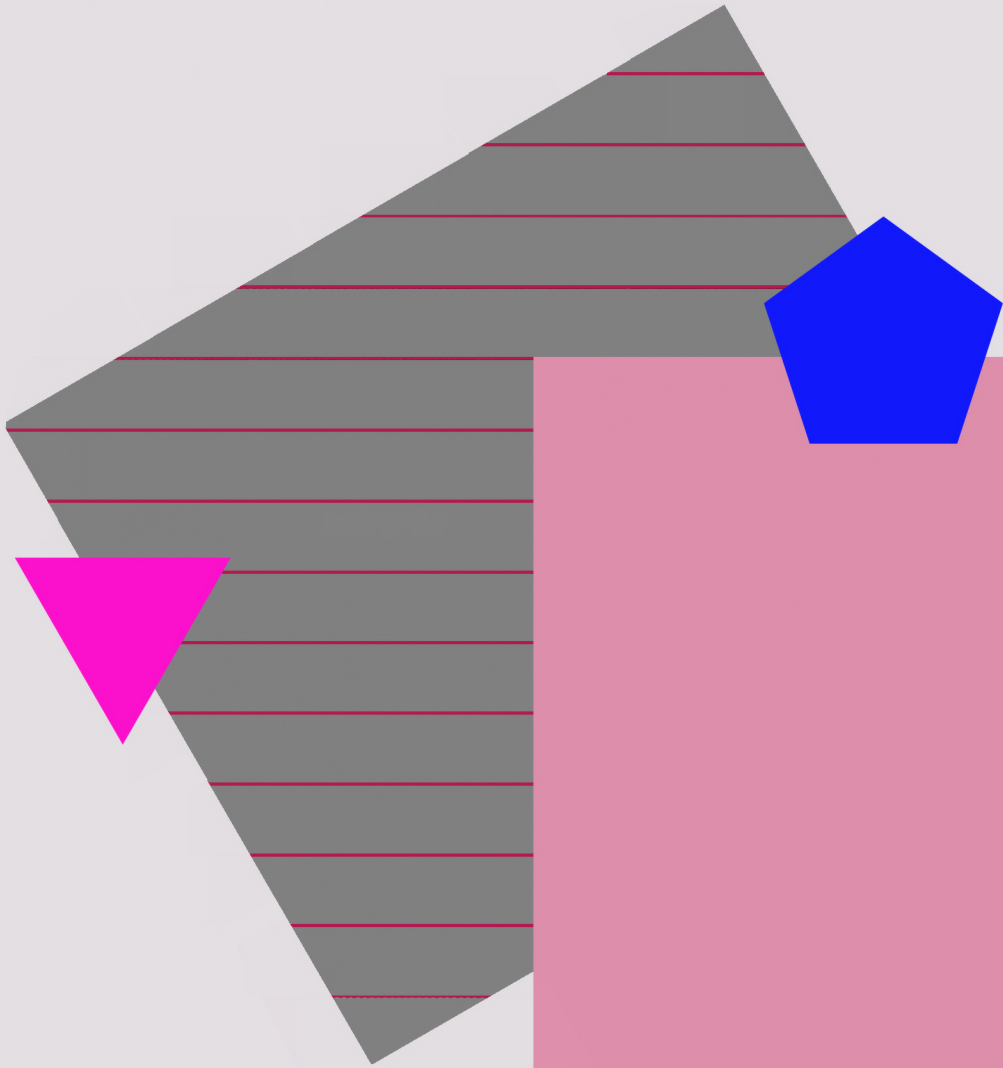
If you decided to take the Quick File Fast Lane, you have read Chapter 1 to get an overview of Quick File and this chapter to learn how to create Quick File files. The following summary lists the usual route you take to create a Quick File file, insert records, and print a report.

1. Start Quick File with the new data disk inserted in the second disk drive.
2. Tell Quick File where to find the new disk: enter **(2)** for the second drive.
3. Tell Quick File you want to create a new FILE CATALOG: choose option 2.
4. Enter a name for the new data disk. The name can have up to seven characters.
5. Press the space bar. Your disk will now be formatted.
6. Type **(N)** to tell Quick File you don't want to format another disk.
7. Press the space bar until the MAIN MENU is displayed.
8. Choose option 2 to create a new file.
9. Enter the new file name and categories. Press **(ESCAPE)** when you are finished.
10. Choose option 1 from the FILE MENU and press **(RETURN)**.
11. Press space bar to get a blank record.
12. Create new records.
13. Press **(ESCAPE)** twice and choose option 3 from the FILE MENU to save your new file.
14. Use other REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE options as needed. All of the options are described on the HELP display and in Chapter 10.
15. Press **(ESCAPE)** twice. Then choose option 3 from the FILE MENU and option 1 from the SAVE FILE MENU to save your file on disk.
16. Type the date and press **(RETURN)**.
17. Choose option 2 from the FILE MENU to create a report.
18. Choose option 2 from the REPORT MENU to create a tables-style report or option 3 to create a labels-style report.
19. Type a name for your report and press **(RETURN)**.
20. Create a report format using the report format options described in Chapter 10.

21. Change printer options using **⏏** **0**.
22. Print your report using **⏏** **P**.
23. Press **ESCAPE** to return to the REPORT MENU.
24. Select option 6 to return to the FILE MENU.
25. Select option 3 to save your new report format on disk.

To create a new file on an existing data disk, follow these steps:

1. Start Quick File with the existing data disk in the second disk drive.
2. When the FILE CATALOG is displayed, press **ESCAPE**.
3. Choose option 2 from the MAIN MENU to create a new file.
4. Continue with step 9 above.



Quick File II Reference

This chapter is a brief reference guide to Quick File II. It includes the following information:

- General information about Quick File
- A brief explanation of Quick File file names
- An overview of Quick File's organization
- Quick File menus
- REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE cursor moves
- REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE options
- Tables-format report options
- Labels-format report options

Most of the information in this chapter has been explained earlier in the manual. However, some features that are not discussed in previous parts of the manual are included here. Don't be afraid to try new things; you have already seen that you can't possibly alter the information in a file you have stored on disk until you tell Quick File to do so. And remember, when in doubt, press **ESCAPE**. It's sure to return you to familiar territory.

General Information

You can use the following keys with many different Quick File displays.

RETURN

The **RETURN** key accepts the information you have just typed. It is also frequently used to move to the next entry on the screen.

ESCAPE

The **ESCAPE** key has two functions:

- It returns you to the previous display. The top righthand corner of every display tells you where you'll go when you press the **ESCAPE** key.
- It erases the information you are entering, provided you have not yet pressed the **RETURN** key.

⌘

The **⌘** (Open-Apple) key is Quick File's master key. Many of Quick File's options are activated by holding down the **⌘** key and then typing the specified key. For example, to delete a record when the REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE display is on the screen, you place the cursor on the item you want to delete, hold down the **⌘** key, and then type a **D**. Throughout this manual and on Quick File's HELP displays, such notation is shown like this:

⌘ D

A complete list of all of the options that use the **⌘** key is included later in this chapter and also on the Quick File II Reference Card.

⌘ ?

Quick File includes many HELP displays that tell you the Quick File features you can use at that time. Whenever a HELP display is available, you will see the message

⌘ ? for Help

in the bottom right corner of the screen. When you type this, a HELP display is shown.

Quick File File Names

Each time you create a Quick File file, you give it a Quick File file name. If, however, you use the Pascal Filer to get a directory of your Quick File files, you will find that the file names listed are different from the file names listed in the Quick File FILE CATALOG. This is because Quick File gives every file two names: a Quick File file name and a Pascal file name. If you want to find out the Pascal file name of your file, type **⌘ ?** when the REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE display is shown. The first HELP display tells you the Pascal name of your file.

Quick File File Guidelines

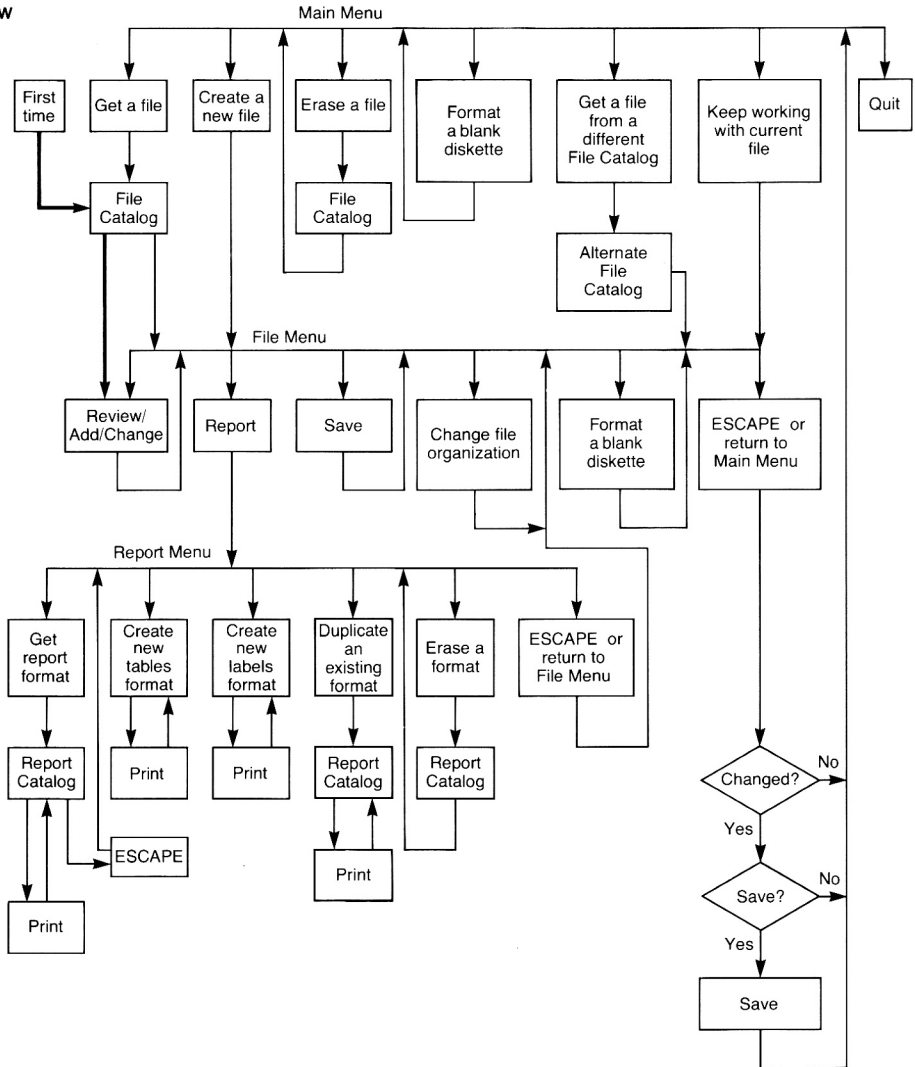
Here are some guidelines to keep in mind when creating Quick File files:

Number of files per data disk or file catalog	26
Number of records in a file	Assuming an average record size of 75 characters, you can store 140 records per file on an Apple IIe. If your system has an 80-Column Text Card with an additional 64K bytes of RAM, you can store 600 records per file.
Number of categories per file	15 maximum
Length of a record	1140 characters maximum
Length of an entry	76 characters maximum
Number of characters in a file name	20 maximum
Number of characters in a category name	20 maximum

Quick File Overview

The following drawing illustrates how Quick File's menus and options are all tied together. Each of these options is explained in the following sections.

Figure 10-1 Quick File Overview



Quick File Menu

Quick File includes four major menus: the MAIN MENU, the FILE MENU, the SAVE FILE MENU, and the REPORT MENU. The options on these menus are discussed in the following sections.

MAIN MENU

The MAIN MENU looks like this:

```
File: Sue's Business Cards          MAIN MENU

-----

1. Get a file
2. Create a new file
3. Erase a file
4. Get file from an alternate catalog
5. Format a blank diskette
6. Keep working with current file
7. Quit

-----

Type selection and press Return.␣
```

Here is what each MAIN MENU option does:

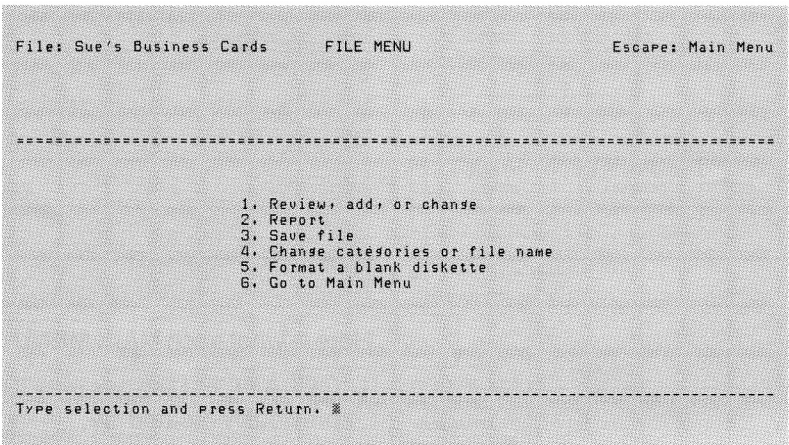
1. **GET A FILE.** Displays the FILE CATALOG and lets you select a previously created file.
2. **CREATE A NEW FILE.** Lets you create a new file. After choosing this option, you are prompted for the name of the file and then for file categories.
3. **ERASE A FILE.** Displays the FILE CATALOG and asks you to select the file you want to erase from the catalog. Note that once you use this option, you no longer have access to the records stored in the file you have erased.
4. **GET FILE FROM AN ALTERNATE CATALOG.** Lets you either work with files in an alternate FILE CATALOG (on another disk, in other words) or copy a file from an alternate FILE CATALOG to the current FILE CATALOG. When you specify the location of the FILE CATALOG, you type the number of the disk drive which contains the FILE CATALOG you wish to use.
5. **FORMAT A BLANK DISKETTE.** Lets you format disks for use as Quick File data disks.

6. **KEEP WORKING WITH CURRENT FILE.** Displays the **FILE MENU**. This option only appears on the menu when you already have a file in memory.
7. **QUIT.** Exit from the Quick File program. You must then insert a system disk and re-boot. This option sometimes appears as option 6.

FILE MENU

The **FILE MENU** lets you choose what to do with a file once you have selected it from the **FILE CATALOG**. Note that this menu does not appear the first time you choose a file after starting up Quick File.

The **FILE MENU** looks like this:



```
File: Sue's Business Cards      FILE MENU      Escape: Main Menu

-----

1. Review, add, or change
2. Report
3. Save file
4. Change categories or file name
5. Format a blank diskette
6. Go to Main Menu

-----

Type selection and press Return. *
```

Here is what each option on the **FILE MENU** does:

1. **REVIEW, ADD, OR CHANGE.** Lets you examine records in a file, add new records or change record entries. A complete list of **REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE** options is included later in this chapter.
2. **REPORT.** Displays the **REPORT MENU** (or the **REPORT CATALOG**, if you have any report formats stored). You then can get an existing report format, create a new tables format, create a new labels format, erase a format, or return to the **FILE MENU**. **REPORT MENU** options are described later in this chapter.
3. **SAVE FILE.** Lets you save on disk a file you have just created or whose contents you have changed. Complete information about the **SAVE FILE MENU** is included in the following section.

4. **CHANGE CATEGORIES OR FILE NAME.** Lets you add or remove file categories, change category names, and change the file's name. This option does not let you change entries in your file. To change entries, select Review, Add, or Change from the FILE MENU.
5. **FORMAT A BLANK DISKETTE.** Lets you format disks for use as Quick File data disks.
6. **GO TO MAIN MENU.** If you choose this option after making changes to your file, you will be asked if you want to save those changes. The MAIN MENU is then displayed.

ESCAPE also takes you from the FILE MENU to the MAIN MENU.

SAVE FILE MENU

Quick File automatically displays the SAVE FILE MENU whenever you attempt to leave Quick File or get a different file. You also can choose to save your file before Quick File asks you to by selecting option 3 from the FILE MENU.

The SAVE FILE MENU looks like this:

```

File: Sue's Business Cards          SAVE FILE          Escape: File Menu

-----
                                You made changes to the above file.
                                1. Save the file onto disk.
                                2. Keep working with the file.
                                3. Throw out the changes.
                                4. Save the file onto disk AND
                                   save a copy of the "old" file.
                                5. Save the file onto alternate disk.

-----
Type selection and Press Return.

```

Here is a description of each of the options on the SAVE FILE MENU:

1. **SAVE THE FILE ONTO DISK.** If you have previously saved your file, the new version of the file will be saved right on top of the old version. Use this option if you won't need the old copy.
2. **KEEP WORKING WITH THE FILE.** Choose this option if you hadn't intended to choose the save option.

3. **THROW OUT THE CHANGES.** This option only appears if you have made changes to the file. When you choose this option, the changes you made during the current Quick File session are not saved onto disk.
4. **SAVE THE FILE ONTO DISK AND SAVE A COPY OF THE "OLD" FILE.** Use this option if you want to keep copies of old files. Quick File can save up to nine old versions of your file. It adds the prefix OLD-1 through OLD-9 to the original file name. For example, if you used option 4 on the SAVE FILE MENU to save the previous version of a file named PATRONS, the current version of the file would be listed in the FILE CATALOG as PATRONS and the previous version would be listed as OLD-1 PATRONS.
5. **SAVE THE FILE ONTO ALTERNATE DISK.** Use this option when you want to make a backup copy of a file or when you have filled up the disk that contains previous versions of your file.

REPORT MENU

The REPORT MENU lets you create, modify, or remove Quick File reports. The REPORT MENU is displayed after you select option 2 from the FILE MENU, or after you press **ESCAPE** from the REPORT CATALOG.

The REPORT MENU looks like this:

```
File: Sue's Business Cards      REPORT MENU      Escape: File Menu
Report: None

-----

          1. Get a report format
          2. Create a new "tables" format
          3. Create a new "labels" format
          4. Duplicate an existing format
          5. Erase a format
          6. Go to File Menu

-----

Type selection and press Return.␣
```

Here is what each option on the REPORT MENU does:

1. GET A REPORT FORMAT. Displays the REPORT CATALOG. After choosing your report, you can use any of the REPORT MENU options described later in this chapter.
2. CREATE A NEW "TABLES" FORMAT. Lets you create a new tables-style report format. It displays information in a format similar to this:

```
Authors, Titles, and Publishers
File: Books
Report: My Books
Author-Last Author-First Title Publisher
-----
Buckley William F., Jr. Who's on First Avon
Jenkins Peter A Walk Across America Fawcett Crest
Kidder Tracy The Soul of a New Machine Little, Brown and Co.
Michener James A. Caravans Fawcett
Sheehy Gail Pathfinders Wm. Morrow and Co., Inc
Willis Garry The Kennedy Imprisonment Little, Brown and Co.

Press Space Bar to continue. *
```

Immediately after choosing this option, you will be asked the name of your report. You then can use any of the REPORT FORMAT options described later in this chapter.

3. CREATE A NEW "LABELS" FORMAT. Lets you create a new labels-style format. It displays information in a format similar to this:

```
File: Books
Report: Books/Plots
-----
Buckley William F., Jr.
Who's on First
Avon
B. Oakes escapes all dragnets without rumpling his trenchcoat

Jenkins Peter
A Walk Across America
Fawcett Crest
Good people met in a walk across an almost forgotten America

Kidder Tracy
The Soul of a New Machine
Little, Brown and Co.
Emotional side of designing a computer

Press Space Bar to continue. *
```

Immediately after choosing this option, you will be asked the name of your report. You then can use any of the REPORT FORMAT options described later in this chapter.

4. **DUPLICATE AN EXISTING FORMAT**. Lets you create a new format that is a duplicate of an existing format.
5. **ERASE A FORMAT**. Displays the REPORT CATALOG and asks you to select the report format you want to remove from the catalog.
6. **KEEP WORKING WITH CURRENT FORMAT**. Displays the report you were working with most recently. This option only appears on the menu when you already have a format in memory.
7. **GO TO FILE MENU**. Lets you return to the FILE MENU. This option sometimes appears as option 6 on the REPORT MENU.

ESCAPE also takes you from the REPORT MENU to the FILE MENU.

Quick File Options

The following sections describe the options available to you when various Quick File displays are on the screen. Note that each description includes two columns: the left column describes what the option does; the right column describes what you type to use the option. Many descriptions also include additional information about using the option.

REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE

REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE options are available to you when the REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE display is on the screen. To call up this display, simply select Review, Add, or Change from the FILE MENU. (Remember: if you're not sure of the name of the display on the screen, just look in the middle of the top line.)


Quick File lets you look at records in two different ways:

- several records at a time (multiple-record layout)
- one record at a time (single-record layout)

Each REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE option can be used when either a multiple-record layout or a single-record layout is on the screen. Some options work differently depending upon whether a single-record layout or a multiple-record layout is displayed. Options that work differently depending upon layout are identified in the list of options.

REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE Cursor Moves


Move cursor to the next entry

You can only use the  key when the cursor is on the first character of an entry.


Move cursor to the previous entry

You can only use the   keys when the cursor is on the first character of an entry.



Move cursor down one category

You can only use the  key when the cursor is on the first character of an entry.



Move cursor up one category

You can only use the  key when the cursor is on the first character of an entry.

Display the previous screenful of records (multiple-record layout)

This option lets you page backward through a file. It displays the 15 records that appear before those currently on the screen. To move quickly toward the beginning of the file, hold down the   keys. This option works only when there are more than 15 records in a file.


Display the next screenful of records (multiple-record layout)

This option lets you page forward through a file. It displays the 15 records that appear after those currently on the screen. To move quickly toward the end of the file, hold down the   keys. This option works only when there are more than 15 records in a file.

Display the next record in a file (single-record layout)

Display the previous record in a file (single-record layout)

Move the cursor to the right inside an entry

Note that the  key cannot be used to move to the next entry.

Move the cursor to the left inside an entry ←

Note that the ← key cannot be used to move to the previous entry.

Move the cursor to the beginning of a file ⏪ B

Move the cursor to the end of a file ⏩ E

Change the direction the cursor moves when you press RETURN (multiple-record layout) ⏪ L followed by ESCAPE

Quick File lets you determine whether you want the RETURN key to move the cursor across to the entry in the next category or down to the next entry in same category. Quick File's standard condition (the one it uses when you first start up the program) is for the cursor to move down when you press RETURN. You probably will want to change the cursor direction so that the cursor moves to the right if you are going to create records or insert new records when the multiple-record format is displayed. (See "Insert one or more new records" for instructions on how to do this.)

REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE Options

Add new records See "Insert"

Arrange or sort records ⏪ A

Before you use this option, move the cursor to an entry in the category by which you want your records arranged. You may arrange records either alphabetically from A to Z, alphabetically from Z to A, numerically from smallest to biggest number, or numerically from biggest to smallest number.

Quick File lets you arrange records within categories. You might, for example, want to create a display in which records were arranged by state and then arranged alphabetically by last name within each state category. To arrange records in more than one category, you always start with the most specific category. Thus, in the above example, you would first arrange the records by last name and then arrange records by state.

Quick File does not limit the number of "categories within categories" that you can arrange.

The following list shows the order in which Quick File arranges entries in a category. Note that Quick File does not distinguish between upper and lowercase letters.

SPACE)	:	[
!	*	;	\
"	+	<]
#	,	=	_
\$	—	>	'
%	.	?	{
&	/	@	}
(0 - 9	A - Z and a - z	

If, for example, you asked Quick File to arrange these street addresses:

99 Canyon Drive
 Dover Court
 #34 Hillview Circle
 99-B Canyon Drive

Your newly arranged list would look like this:

#34 Hillview Circle
 99 Canyon Drive
 99-B Canyon Drive
 Dover Court

Change category name

Press **ESCAPE** to return to the FILE MENU; then select option 4.

Change file name

Press **ESCAPE** to return to the FILE MENU; then select option 4.

Change record display layout (multiple-record layout)

↶ **L**

This option lets you change the amount of information that appears on the multiple-record layout and the way that information is positioned on the screen. This option does not affect the actual information stored in each record.


Here is a description of the keys used to change the record layout:


Move the cursor to the next category.

→

Move the cursor to the previous category.


←




Switch the position of the column the cursor is on with the column to its right. 

Switch the position of the column the cursor is on with the column to its left. 

Increase width of the column the cursor is on. 

Decrease width of the column the cursor is on. 

Delete the category the cursor is on from the multiple-record display. Note that the information in this category will continue to appear when you display the record in single-record layout. 





Insert a category that you previously deleted using the  option. After typing  1, a list of previously deleted categories is displayed. To reinsert a category, type the number of that category and press **RETURN.** 









After you press **ESCAPE** to leave this option, Quick File asks you to choose whether you want the **RETURN** key to move the cursor across to the entry in the next category or down to the entry within the same category.

Change record display layout (single-record layout)

This option lets you change the way information is positioned on the screen in the single record layout. This option does not change the actual information stored in each record.

Here is a description of the keys used to change the record layout:

Move the cursor left, right, up or down on the screen.  
 
RETURN




Move categories left, right, up, or down on the screen. Cursor must be on first character of category name.    
   

Change record selection rules

This option lets you determine what records will be available for display. Here are the steps you'll follow:

1. Choose the category you want to use as the basis for the selection. Note that you can choose from among all categories included in the record, even those not displayed in the multiple-record format.
2. Choose a comparison. For date, you can choose equals, after, before, contains, is blank, or is not blank. For other information, you can choose equals, greater than, less than, not equal to, is blank, is not blank, contains, begins with, ends with, does not contain, does not begin with, or does not end with. Quick File lists these options for you.
3. Enter a value that each entry in the specified category should be compared with.

You can connect up to three single record selection rules together using and, or, or through (but you cannot use both and and or in a single record selection rule). Thus, using one selection sequence you could display the records of all people who either live in Canada or were born after 1936 or who list birdwatching as their favorite pastime.

To return to a complete list of your records, type   and respond  to the prompt `Do you want to select all records?`

Copy an existing record

Before you use this option, place the cursor on any entry in the record you want to duplicate.

You'll want to use this option if your file will include several records containing very similar information. After using this option to make several copies of one record, you can go back and change the necessary entries.

Create a new record See "Insert"

Delete one or more selected records

After choosing this option, you can either type Y to delete the record the cursor was on when you chose the Delete option or you can type R to specify record selection rules. These rules determine what records will be deleted from your file. A list of the steps to specify record selection rules is in the section "Change record selection rules".

Find specified records



Quick File gives you two options for finding records, **Ctrl-F** and **Ctrl-R**. The **Ctrl-R** option gives you greater flexibility in finding records but **Ctrl-F** is easier to use. For information about **Ctrl-R**, see “Change record selection rules”.

The **Ctrl-F** option lets you display only those records that contain information you have specified.

After choosing this option, you are prompted:

```
Enter comparison information.
```

Type the words or group of characters you want Quick File to look for. (For example, you might type Miller or Ph.D candidate or 20000.) You can use either upper or lowercase characters.

Insert one or more new records



After you select this option, a blank single record layout is displayed. Insert new entries, pressing **RETURN** after each entry. When the cursor is on the last category of the record, press **RETURN** to display another blank record. At this point, you may either enter another record or press **ESCAPE** to return to the layout you were on when you pressed **Ctrl-I**.

Any new records that you insert will be placed immediately before the record that the cursor was on when you typed **Ctrl-I**. To enter new records at the end of a file, make sure you are in single-record layout and move the cursor past the last record. Enter **Y** when Quick File asks you if you want to enter new records.

If you prefer to create records when the multiple-record layout is displayed, you first must create blank records. To do this, type **Ctrl-I** and, when the single-record layout is displayed, continue to press **RETURN** until you have moved through all of the categories. You can create several blank records by continuing to press **RETURN**. When you have a sufficient number of blank records, press **ESCAPE** to return to REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE. You then can use **Ctrl-Z** to return to multiple-record layout where you can begin typing your entries.

If you are going to insert complete records using multiple-record layout, you may want to set the cursor so that it moves to the right when you press **RETURN**. To do this, type **Ctrl-L**, press **ESCAPE**, and choose option 2.

Modify records

Move the cursor to the entry that needs to be modified; then start typing.

When you start typing, the new characters will replace the old characters. Use the \rightarrow key to move across characters that don't need to be changed. Press $\text{\textcircled{R}}$ when the new entry is complete.

When you modify entries that appear in several categories of the same record (in multiple-record layout), you should set the cursor so that it moves to the right when you press $\text{\textcircled{R}}$. To do this, type $\text{\textcircled{L}}$; then press $\text{\textcircled{ESC}}$ and respond to the prompt.

If the entry you want to change is longer than those displayed in multiple-record layout, you should put the cursor on the entry and then zoom in to single-record layout, where you'll probably have more space for the entry.

Print the contents of the screen

$\text{\textcircled{P}}$

This option only prints one screenful of information. To print complete files, you must use the Print option that appears on the REPORT FORMAT display.

Note that Quick File's default printer options are set to enable it to print on a Silentype and a Qume Sprint 5 printer. No matter which printer you use, the printer card must be in slot 1 of your Apple IIe.

Remove an existing record

See "Delete"

Save current file

Press $\text{\textcircled{ESC}}$ to return to the FILE MENU; then select option 3.

Additional information about saving files is included earlier in this chapter under the SAVE FILE MENU.

Search for specified records


See "Find" and "Change record selection rules"

Set standard values for entries



$\text{\textcircled{S}}$

Use this option if you know that several of your records will contain the same entries for a particular category. If, for example, you know that a group of your records will include a 10608 zip code, type $\text{\textcircled{S}}$ and then enter 10608 in the zip code category. The next time you insert a record in your file, the zip code category will be filled in for you.

You can remove a standard value at any time. All you do is press $\text{\textcircled{S}}$, move the cursor to the appropriate category, and use the space bar to erase the entry.

The gray box in Chapter 9 entitled “Using Standard Values” gives you more information about using  .

Sort records See “Arrange”

Zoom in to review records in single-record layout (from multiple-record layout)  

Zoom out to review records in multiple-record layout (from single-record layout)  

REPORT FORMAT Options

REPORT FORMAT options are available to you when the REPORT FORMAT display is on the screen. To call up this display, simply select option 2, Report, from the FILE MENU. Then, depending upon whether you want to modify an existing report, create a report using a tables format or create a report using a labels format, select option 1, 2, or 3 from the REPORT MENU.

As you saw earlier in this manual, Quick File lets you create two different kinds of report formats:

- formats that show several records in rows and columns (tables format)
- formats that create individual reports for each record (labels format)

Note that reports that are in tables format always include category names. Labels-format reports give you the option of including category names. (See “Print category name on a report”). Labels-format reports can be edited using Apple Writer IIe. This option is not available for tables-format reports. Complete information about using Quick File with Apple Writer IIe is in Appendix A.



The REPORT FORMAT options are different depending upon whether you are using a tables or a labels format.

Tables Format Options

Add a calculated column See “Calculate a new column”



Add a title See “Change report name or title”



Add/remove column totals

Quick File lets you add a total at the end of each numerical column in your report. Before using the   option, place the cursor on the column that you want Quick File to total.

You are then asked to specify the number of decimal places that should be included in each column total and the number of blank spaces that should appear after each total.





After you answer these prompts, Quick File underlines the specified column and fills it with 9's to show you what your report will look like when it is printed.





To remove a column total, place the cursor on the appropriate column and type  . The 9's will be replaced by your original entries.





You also use the   option when specifying group totals. Information about group totals is included in the section "Add/remove group totals".

Add/remove group totals

A group total is a sub-total. Here is how you tell Quick File where to place group totals:

1. Place the cursor on the category that will cause a group total to appear when its value changes. If the category has not been sorted, use   to sort or arrange it. Then select the "Add/remove group totals" option by pressing  .

Suppose, for example, that you were using Quick File to keep your budget and that you wanted to know how much money you spent each month on food, clothing, and travel. Your first step would be to place the cursor on month and use   to arrange your records so that all the expenses for one month were clustered together. Then you would press  .

2. Quick File asks `Print group totals only?` If you want sub-totals only, and no individual records, type . Type  if you want both individual records and sub-totals to appear in your report.
3. Respond to the prompt, `Go to a new page after each group total?`
4. Move the cursor to a column that will contain group totals. Thus, in the budget example, you would place the cursor on the food, clothing, or travel category.
5. Select the "Add/remove column totals" option by pressing  .

6. Respond to the prompts that tell Quick File how many decimal places to include in each group total and how many blank spaces to place after each group total.
7. Repeat steps 4, 5, and 6 for each column that should include group totals.

To remove a group total, place the cursor on the appropriate column and type $\text{⓪} \text{Ⓣ}$. The ⓪ 's will be replaced by your original entries.

Arrange or sort records $\text{⓪} \text{Ⓐ}$

Complete information about Arrange is included in the description of Arrange in the REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE options list.

Calculate a new column $\text{⓪} \text{Ⓒ}$

This option lets you create a new column by manipulating numerical information contained in other columns. Quick File can use numeric data with up to ten places before the decimal point and four places after to produce a calculated category.

To create a calculated column, follow these steps:



1. Place the cursor on the column that will be to the right of the calculated column.
2. Select the "Define a calculated column" option by pressing $\text{⓪} \text{Ⓒ}$. A category named Calculated, with entries that consist of a series of ⓪ 's, will be displayed on your screen.
3. When prompted, enter a name for the calculated column.
4. When prompted, enter calculation rules, using the letters associated with the appropriate columns. Use the following keys to designate the four functions:





plus	+
minus	-
multiply	*
divide	/

For example, to add the information in column A to the information in column B and divide the sum by 100, you would type, $A + B / 100$.

Calculation rules can be up to 20 characters long. All operations are performed from left to right.

5. When prompted, enter the number of decimal places you want each entry in the calculated column to contain and the number of blank spaces that you want to follow each entry.

You will not be able to see the contents of your new column until you choose option   and then either display your report on the screen or print it on a printer.

Note that you can use the   option to total the entries in your calculated column. You cannot use   to create a subtotal based on the changing contents of the calculated column.



Change column width

Pressing   increases the width of the column the cursor is on.

Pressing   decreases the width of the column the cursor is on.

When changing column width, remember to leave enough room for the largest entry in the column. If you have a numerical column and you fail to leave enough room for the complete entry, Quick File will be forced to shorten the entry, thus making the information in your report inaccurate.

Change printer options

After pressing   you can change printer options.


To change options 1-8 and option 15, you must type the number of the option and the value you want. To change the others, just type the number of the printer option. Quick File changes the value to its opposite automatically.

The printer options are:

1. LEFT MARGIN. Number of spaces to the left of each printed line.
2. CHAR PRINT. Maximum number of characters that can be printed on each line. Note that this option is automatically adjusted whenever you change either the left or right margin.
3. RT. MARGIN. Number of spaces to the right of each printed line.
4. PRINTER SIZE. Maximum number of characters that your printer can print on each line.
5. TOP MARGIN. Number of blank lines at the top of each page.
6. PRINT LINES. Maximum number of lines that will be printed on each page. Note that this number is automatically adjusted whenever you change either the top or bottom margin.

7. **BOT. MARGIN.** Number of blank lines at the bottom of each page.
8. **PAGE LENGTH.** Maximum number of lines that your printer can print per page.
9. **SEND SPECIAL CODES TO PRINTER.** Some printers require that the program (in this case, Quick File) send the printer a series of special codes before printing can begin. Neither the Qume nor the Silentype requires that these codes be sent. To find out if your printer requires special codes, check in the manual that came with your printer.

If you specify 9, Quick File asks you for the codes.

10. **LINE FEED NEEDED BY PRINTER.** Some printers automatically generate a linefeed after every carriage return; these printers do not need a linefeed from the program. Other printers require that the program generate the linefeed. The Silentype does not generate its own automatic linefeed. Thus, if you are using a Silentype, the answer to this option is “yes”. The Qume has a switch on its front panel that lets you choose whether you want it to provide an automatic linefeed. If you are using another printer, check in the manual that came with the printer.
11. **PRINT DASH WHEN AN ENTRY IS BLANK.** If there is not an entry in a category, you may instruct Quick File to print a single dash to mark its place.
12. **STOP AT THE END OF EACH PAGE.** If you are printing on letterhead stationery or if you have a printer like the Silentype that uses nonperforated paper, you will want printing to stop at the end of each page so that you can change paper or tear off the printed sheet.
13. **PRINT REPORT HEADER AT TOP OF PAGE.** The report header consists of the file name, the report name, the record selection option, the page number, and the date. If you don't print the report header, the only information that appears across the top of each page of your report is the title (assuming you created a title using N).
14. **PRINTER ACCEPTS FORM-FEED COMMANDS.** After a page of a report has been printed, Quick File needs to instruct your printer to go to the top of the next page. Some printers can accept a special instruction called a “form feed” that will automatically cause this to happen. Other printers, including the Silentype, do not have this capability and must print a number of blank lines to get to the next page. Enter “no” for Silentype, “yes” for Qume.

15. SINGLE, DOUBLE, OR TRIPLE SPACING. You may specify whether you want your report to be single, double, or triple spaced.

Change record selection rules ⓂⓇ

Use this option to determine what records you want to appear on your report. Complete information about specifying record selection rules is included in the list of REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE options earlier in this chapter.

Change report name and/or title ⓂⓃ

Each time you create a new report, you assign it a report name. The report name appears in the upper lefthand corner of the report format screen and in your REPORT CATALOG for that file. When you choose the ⓂⓃ option, you are prompted for the new name of your report. You then are prompted for the report title. Note that a report does not have a title until you use this option. The report title is printed at the top of each page of your report and can be 79 characters long with an 80-column display, or 39 characters long with a 40-column display.

Create a calculated column See "Calculate a new column"

Delete current category Ⓜⓓ

Before you use this option, move the cursor to the category you want to delete.

Note that after using Ⓜⓓ, the information in the category you have deleted is still in your file; it just will not show up on your report. You can reinsert any category you have deleted by using the insert option, ⓂⓇ. The only way to remove a category from your file permanently is to select option 4 on the FILE MENU.

Insert a previously deleted category ⓂⓇ

This option lets you insert a category that you previously deleted using the Ⓜⓓ function. After typing ⓂⓇ, a list of previously deleted categories is displayed. To reinsert a category, type the number of that category and press **(RETURN)**.

Move the cursor one category to the right Ⓜ→

Move the cursor one category to the left Ⓜ←

Print a report



This option lets you either display your report on the screen, print the report on a printer, or store your report as a file on disk.

Note that Quick File will print on the printer whose card is in slot 1.

Use to adapt Quick File to your printer's specifications and to change various options, such as margins and spacing, that affect how your report appears on the printed page. Information about these options is included in the section, "Changing printer options".

If you choose to store your report on a disk, you will be prompted for a file name. The report will be stored on a DOS formatted disk in drive 2. Use the DOS 3.3 disk to format DOS disks. If you want your report to be stored on a disk in drive 2 under the name "**Clients**", you would respond `CLIENTS`. The DOS 3.3 manual will tell you the fine points of DOS file names, but basically they cannot exceed 30 characters in length, must start with an alphabetic character, and may not contain commas.

Print selected records

See "Change record selection rules"

Right-justify a column



This option is used to right-justify (or line up on the right margin) numerical information so that all decimal points line up under each other. It also can be used to right-justify alphabetic information.

Before using this option, move the cursor to the column you want to right-justify.

You then are asked to specify the number of decimal places that should be included in each entry in the specified column (if you are right-justifying alphabetic information, you should include zero decimal places) and the number of blank spaces that should be placed after each entry.

After answering these prompts, Quick File fills the appropriate column with `9`'s to show you what the report will look like when it is printed.



When you use the option, columns to be totaled are automatically justified.



Sort records

See "Arrange"







Switch column positions



Pressing   switches the column the cursor is on and the column to its right.

Pressing   switches the column the cursor is on and the column to its left.

Labels Format Options

When you create a labels report format or get a previously-created labels report format from the REPORT CATALOG, Quick File displays the categories that will be included in the report. To see the actual entries associated with each record, you can type  . After typing  , you can quickly scan through the records in your file using various cursor keys. To return to the labels report format, press  .

Before you plan a large report using the labels format, we recommend that you experiment with the various printer options. Note also that Quick File only lets you print one label across.

Arrange or sort records





Complete information about the Arrange option is included in the description of Arrange in the REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE options list earlier in this chapter.

Change category position

See “Move category”

Change printer options



After pressing   you can change options 1 through 8 by typing the option number and then entering its new value. Change options 9 through 16 by simply typing the option number. Quick File automatically changes the option's value to its opposite.

Options 1 through 14 are the same for labels format as for tables format and are described in the “Tables Format Options” section of this chapter. Option 15 and 16 are described below.

15. Omit line when all entries on line are blank. If you change this option to “no”, Quick File will include a blank line in your record whenever there is no entry for any category on that line. If you leave the option as is, Quick File will not substitute a blank line for an empty entry.
16. Keep number of lines the same within each record. If you leave this option as is, Quick File will make sure that all of your records have the same number of lines by adding extra blank lines at the bottom of the record. All of your records won't be the same length if you change this option to “no”.



You only see this option if you leave option 15 set to “yes”.

Change record selection rules

This option lets you determine what records you want included in your report.







Complete information about this option is included in the REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE option list earlier in this chapter.

Change report name and/or title



Each time you create a new report, you assign it a report name. The report name appears in the upper lefthand corner of the REPORT FORMAT display and in your REPORT CATALOG for that file. When you choose the   option, you are prompted for the new name of your report. You then are prompted for the report title. Note that a report does not have a title until you use this option. The report title is printed at the top of each page of your report and can be 79 characters long.

Delete spacing line or category



Before you use this option, place the cursor on the blank line or the first character of the category you want to delete.

Note that after using  , the information in the category you have deleted is still in your file; it just will not show up on your report. You can reinsert any category you have deleted using   by using the insert option,  . The only way to remove all entries from your file permanently is to select option 4 on the FILE MENU.



Display the next record

To use this option, record entries must be displayed. To display record entries, press  .



Display the previous record

To use this option, record entries must be displayed. To display record entries, press  .



Go to beginning of file

To use this option, record entries must be displayed. To display record entries, press  .

Go to end of file








To use this option, record entries must be displayed. To display record entries, press  .

Insert previously deleted spacing line or category

This option lets you insert a category that you previously deleted using   or insert a spacing line above or below the current cursor position.

Left-justify current category

This option causes the category the cursor is on to be printed one space away from the category to its left.

After typing  , the  character will be displayed to the left of the category the cursor is on. The true effect of typing   can only be seen by using the   option to display the report on the screen or print it on a printer.

Move cursor left, right, up or down



Move category left, right up or down

The cursor must be on the leftmost character in the category to use this option.

When using these keys, you cannot move one category on top of or through another category. Thus you must maneuver categories around each other.

Print a report



This option lets you either display your report on the screen, print the report on a printer, store your report in a file on another disk, or transfer the file to an Apple Writer IIe file.

Complete informaton about using Quick File with Apple Writer IIe is included in Appendix A.

Additional information about this option is included under "Print a report" in the list of tables format options.

Print category name on a report  

This option causes Quick File to display category names as well as entries in your report.





Before using this option, use the arrow keys to move the cursor to the entry whose category name you want included in the report. After you use   to designate a category name, that category name will be printed next to the appropriate entry in every record.

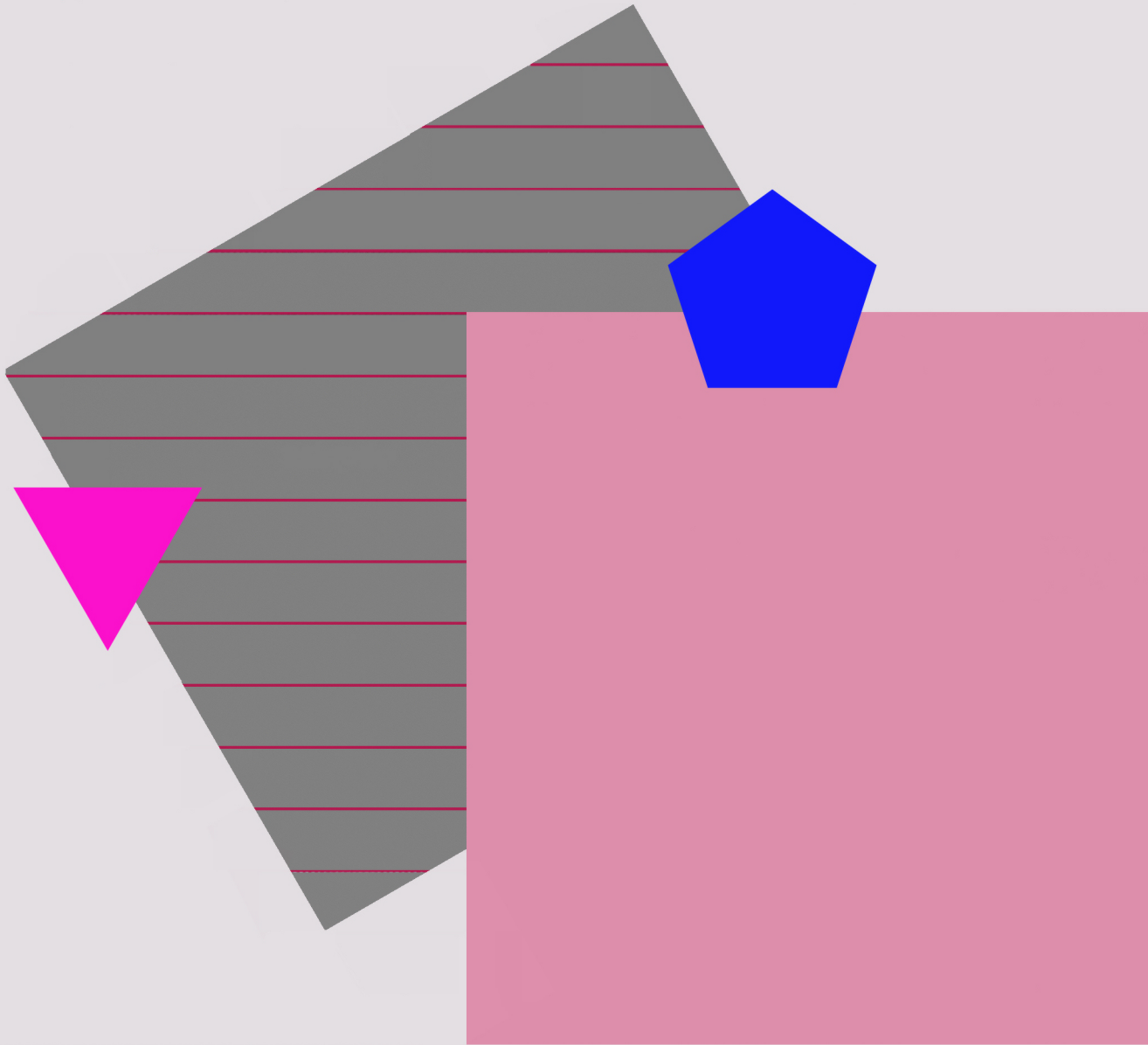
To remove a category name from your report, simply move the cursor to the appropriate category and type  .

Print selected records See “Change record selection rules”

Sort records See “Arrange”

Zoom between category names and entries  

This option lets you alternate between displaying category names and actual record entries. After pressing  , you can go forward or backward through your file to review the layout and content of individual records. Press   to return to the report format.



Transferring Quick File Reports to Apple Writer IIe

There are two occasions when you may find it useful to transfer Quick File reports to Apple Writer IIe files:

- When you want to place Quick File reports in a document created using Apple Writer IIe
- When you want to create form letters that contain personalized information from Quick File reports by using Apple Writer's Word Processing Language (WPL)

The following instructions about how to do these two things assume that you are familiar with Apple Writer commands. If you need to refresh your memory, consult your Apple Writer IIe manual.

Placing Quick File Reports in a Document

This section explains how to transfer Quick File reports to Apple Writer IIe files. Once you have completed this process, you can edit your Quick File report in the same way that you can edit any Apple Writer file.

1. Start up your Apple IIe with your Quick File program disk in drive 1 and your Quick File data disk in drive 2. Select from the FILE CATALOG the file you wish to transfer.
2. Select a report from the REPORT CATALOG or create a new report. The report may have either a tables- or a labels-style format.

Quick File reports can be transferred to Apple Writer IIe files. However, the process is not reversible. Apple Writer IIe files cannot be transferred to Quick File data disks.

3. Type **(3) (0)** and change any necessary printer options. Make sure that the value you have chosen for option 2, characters to print, is large enough so that a complete line of the report can be printed. If you do not want a heading at the top of each page, change the value for option 13 to "no". Then press **(ESCAPE)** to return to the REPORT FORMAT.
4. Type **(3) (P)** to print the report. Then select option 3 to send your report to a DOS file on disk.
5. Insert a DOS (not Quick File) formatted disk in drive 2. When prompted for the name of your new file, type a file name of up to 22 characters (for example, LIST or FROGS). Press **(RETURN)** and then space bar. When the whirring stops, you know that your file has been successfully transferred.
6. The file on your DOS disk is now an Apple Writer file and can be loaded and edited like any other Apple Writer file.

Creating Form Letters from Quick File Reports

You can incorporate categories of information from Quick File reports into an Apple Writer IIe document to produce form letters by using the WPL program MAILLIST stored on the Apple Writer master disk.

You use three files when creating an Apple Writer document that incorporates Quick File report information:

- the Quick File report information that has been transferred to a DOS Apple Writer file on disk
- the Apple Writer IIe form letter that you want to contain Quick File report information
- MAILLIST, the WPL program that incorporates the Quick File report information into the form letter

Here are the steps you follow to create a form letter that incorporates Quick File information.

Transferring the Quick File Report to Apple Writer

1. Start up the Quick File program and select from the FILE CATALOG the file you wish to transfer.
2. Select a report from the REPORT CATALOG or create a new report. The report must have a labels-style format.
3. Type **(3) (0)** and change any necessary printer options. Options 12 and 13 should both be set to "no". Press **(ESCAPE)** to return to the REPORT FORMAT.

4. Type **ⓐ** **ⓑ** to print the report. Select option 4 to print your file to a DOS Apple Writer file on disk.
5. Insert a DOS formatted disk in drive 2. When prompted for the name of your new file, type a file name of up to 22 characters. Press **ⓓ** and then space bar. When the whirring stops, your file has been successfully converted to an Apple Writer file.
6. Exit Quick File as you would normally.

Creating Your Own Form Letter

1. Put your Apple Writer master disk in drive 1 and start it up.
2. Load the converted Quick File report from the disk in drive 2. Here is an example of how it might look:

```
<1>
@1@Bowson
@2@Jack
@3@08
@4@JAN 24 56
@5@2400
@6@M
@7@2375 Spring Ct.
@8@Los Altos
@9@CA
@10@95134
@11@Becky
@12@408-555-6579
@13@24
@14@40
@15@408-555-9745
<2>
@1@Campbell
@2@Linda
@3@08
@4@FEB 17 79
@5@2200
@6@F
@7@4589 Willow Rd.
@8@Milpitas
@9@CA
@10@95134
@11@Jon
@12@408-555-6390
@13@4
@14@20
@15@408-555-6978
```

Notice that each record has a number and each category has a number. You use the category numbers to designate where you want the information in each category placed within the form letter.

Notice also that if you plan to use a piece of information, such as city, separately in the form letter, it must belong to a separate Quick File category. If your Quick File category is city/state/zip, you cannot use these items of information separately in your form letter.

3. Make a note of the categories and their numbers or print out the file for reference.
4. Now create your own form letter using the sample below as a model. The category numbers in the sample form letter correspond to the list above.

Each time you want a category from your Quick File report included in your letter, type (categoryx), where x is the number of the category. Note that the word "category" must be in lower-case followed directly by the category number, with no spaces between them.

SAMPLE FORM LETTER

August 19, 1982

(category2) (category1)
(category7)
(category8), (category9) (category10)

Dear (category2),

Please verify that the following information matches your records.

We show that you have accumulated (category13) hours of sick leave and (category14) hours of vacation time since you were hired on (category4). If this information is not correct please notify your local personnel office immediately.

Sincerely,

Mary Jameson
Corporate Personnel

5. Save the form letter on the same disk as the converted Quick File report, in drive 2.

Merging the Report File with the Form Letter

1. Turn on your printer and set the appropriate [P]rint values. You might want to print to the display screen first, just to make sure your categories are merging correctly.
2. Use the WPL program called MAILLIST stored on the Apple Writer master disk to do the merge. To run this program, type

```
[P] do Maillist,d1
```

3. Next you are prompted

```
Name and location of Form letter
```

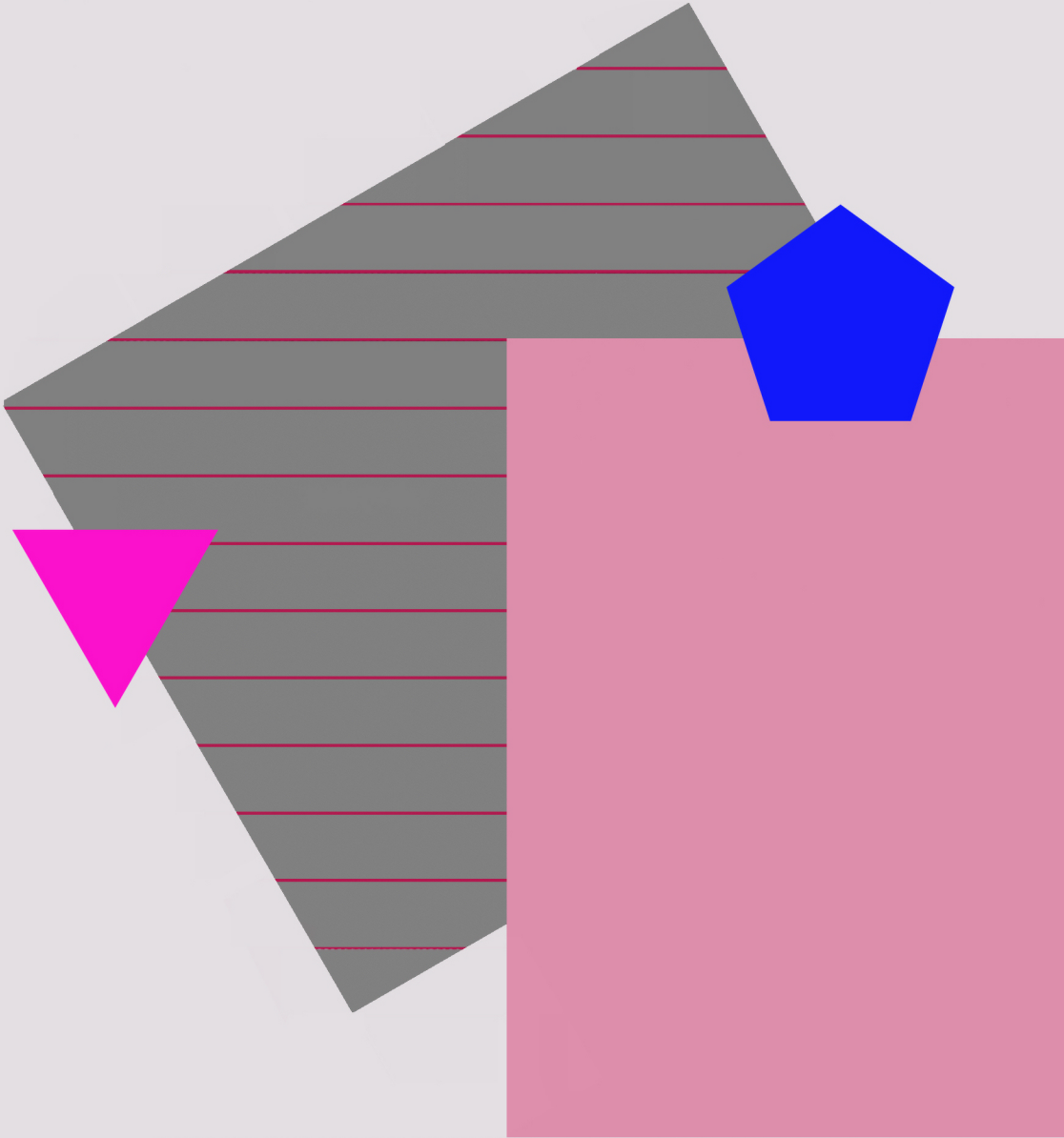
Type the name of the form letter you created and its drive location (for example, m1mletter,d2).

4. Next you are prompted

```
Name and location of Address file
```

Type the name of the Quick File report file and its drive location (for example, new customers,d2).

That's all there is to it! It will just take a few seconds before the first letter begins to print.



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RETURN

Accepts the information you have just typed. Also frequently used to move to the next entry.

ESCAPE

Returns you to the previous screen. **ESCAPE** also can be used to erase the information you are entering.



This designates the Open-Apple key. To use a Quick File option, hold down the key and then type the appropriate character.

REVIEW/ADD/CHANGE

Cursor Moves

TAB

Move the cursor to the next entry

TAB

Move the cursor to the previous entry



Move the cursor up one category



Move the cursor down one category



Display the previous 15 records (from multiple-record layout)



Display the next 15 records (from multiple-record layout)



Display the previous record in your file (from single-record layout)



Display the next record in your file (from single-record layout)



Move the cursor to the beginning of the file



Move the cursor to the end of the file



Move the cursor to the right inside an entry



Move the cursor to the left inside an entry



Change the direction the cursor moves when you press **RETURN**

Press **ESCAPE**
Choose 1 or 2

Options



Arrange (sort) on this column



Delete one or selected records



Find a specified record



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Move cursor to the next column

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Increase column width

Decrease column width

Arrange (sort) on this column

Add a calculated column

Delete this category

Add/remove group totals

Insert a previously deleted category

Right-justify this column

Change report name or title

Choose a printer option

Print the report

Change record selection rules

Add/remove column totals

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Move cursor

and any arrow

Move category position

Display next record, assuming record entries are displayed ()

⏪ ⏩

Display previous record, assuming record entries are displayed (⏪ ⏩)

⏪ A

Arrange (sort) on this column

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Go to beginning of file, assuming record entries are displayed (⏪ ⏩)

⏪ D

Delete spacing line or category

⏪ E

Go to end of file, assuming record entries are displayed (⏪ ⏩)

⏪ I

Insert a spacing line or previously deleted category

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Zoom between records containing category names and records containing record information

Quick File II Reader Response Card

Apple is interested in your response to Quick File II and the Quick File II manual. Please fill out the enclosed card and send it back to us. That way, if we revise Quick File and the manual we can make them better fit your needs.

1. How much experience have you had using computers? a. ___ none b. ___ little c. ___ moderate d. ___ extensive
2. In what area are you using Quick File? a. ___ business b. ___ home c. ___ scientific/industrial
d. _____ other (please specify)
3. Please use the following chart to list the names or types of Quick File files you have (phone lists, parts inventories, etc), the number of records per file, and the number of categories per record.

File name or type	# records per file	# categories per record
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

4. Do you use calculated categories? a. ___ yes b. ___ no
5. Do you use Quick File for mailing labels? a. ___ yes b. ___ no
6. Did you try out the tutorial included in Chapters 2 - 9? a. ___ all of it b. ___ some of it c. ___ very little or none of it
7. How much have you used Chapter 10, Quick File II Reference? a. ___ extensive use b. ___ some use c. ___ no use
8. Is there any part of Quick File that you do not think is adequately explained in this manual? If so, please specify.

9. What did you like most about the manual? the program?

10. What did you like least about the manual? the program?

11. What features would you like Quick File to have?

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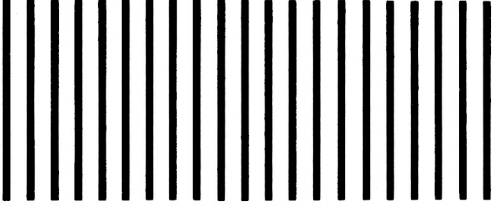
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