

## *Step-by-Step*

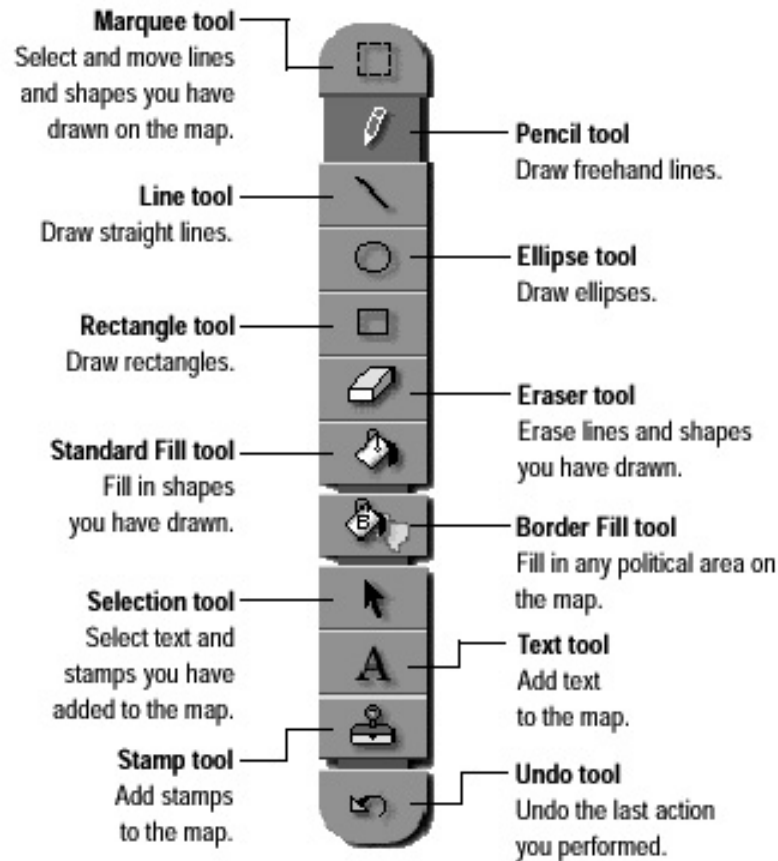
# Customizing a Map and Creating a Presentation With Mapmaker's Toolkit

With Mapmaker's Toolkit, you can create images from scratch or select from over 450 current and historical maps that you can customize to meet your needs. The Mapmaker's Toolkit CD also includes a separate application called Mapmaker's Slideshow that allows you to create a slideshow to present your maps. In this Step-by-Step Card, you will select and customize a map and then produce a map presentation using Mapmaker's Slideshow.

### Customizing a map

- 1 Open the Mapmaker's Toolkit application.
- 2 Click Continue in the opening screen.
- 3 Locate a map you want to customize by clicking either the Current Maps, Historical Maps, or Theme Maps button on the left of the screen. Select the map you want from the dialog box that appears, then click Display. (*Note:* To view the entire list of maps for a topic, click the triangle to the left of the topic name.)
- 4 Click the Layers button in the upper-right corner of the map window. A dialog box appears in which you can select and deselect how the map is displayed. Layers (map elements) with checkmarks next to them are displayed by default. Click to select any additional layers you want and click to deselect any layers you do not want displayed.
- 5 Click Apply to preview the changes in the map.
- 6 When you're done making selections, click OK.

- Now switch to Draw mode by clicking the Draw tab in the upper-left corner. You can make additional changes to your map with the tools on the Draw toolbar (shown below). For example, you can add text or select from many types of stamps, such as flags or weather symbols.



- To save your work, choose Save from the File menu. Name your map, select a location to save it, then click Save.

## Creating and exporting the files for your slideshow

You can combine a variety of maps to create a presentation. First you create the images you want for your slides in Mapmaker's Toolkit, then save them in a format that can be used by Mapmaker's Slideshow (or another presentation program).

- Create one of the slides you want for the slideshow using Mapmaker's Toolkit. You can use a map you customized, create your own map, or use a map as-is from the program.
- Choose Export from the File menu, then choose As BMP (Slideshow) from the submenu.

- 3 In the dialog box that appears, select a folder where you want to save all of your images for the slideshow. Name your map, then click Save.
- 4 Close your first map by clicking the window's close box.
- 5 Continue creating the images you want to use for slides for your presentation. To create a title slide or another slide without a map, choose Use Blank Map from the File menu. A blank page appears with Draw mode selected. Use the Draw tools to add the text and create the design you want. After each slide you create, export the files by following steps 2–4.
- 6 Once you have created and exported all the images you want for the slideshow, quit Mapmaker's Toolkit.

### Producing your slideshow

- 1 Open the Mapmaker's Slideshow program.
- 2 Click New, then click Create.
- 3 Click Browse.
- 4 In the dialog box that appears, select a location to save your slideshow and click Select.
- 5 Click Next in the New Slideshow Folder Location dialog box.
- 6 In the next dialog box, type a name for your slideshow, then click Next.
- 7 Click Finish.
- 8 Click Add Slide in the main Mapmaker's Slideshow window.
- 9 Locate and select the exported file for the first slide you want. Click Open. You can rearrange the slides later if you like.
- 10 Follow steps 8 and 9 until all the images you want are added.
- 11 Click Run Slideshow to view the presentation. Click to advance between slides.

### Adding sound to a slideshow

- 1 In the Mapmaker's Slideshow window, select the slide to which you want to add sound from the Slides list, then click Add Sound.
- 2 In the dialog box that appears, navigate to and open the Sample Sounds folder on the Mapmaker's Toolkit CD. (*Note:* This folder is on the CD, not in the Mapmaker's Toolkit *f* folder on the hard disk.)
- 3 Click any of the sound files, then click Open.
- 4 In the list of slides, a sound symbol now appears next to the slide to indicate a sound is attached to it. Click the Preview button on the right of the window to hear the sound.
- 5 To delete a sound from a slide, click the name of the slide, then click Delete Sound.

## Using additional slideshow options

- 1 You can rearrange the order of your slides by clicking the name of a slide and dragging it to a new location.
- 2 To delete a slide, click its name in the list and click Delete Slide.  
The slide projector buttons allow you to further customize your slideshow.
- 3 To change the background color of the slides, click the Background Color button, click the color you want, then click OK.
- 4 Click Fade to add a dissolve between slides.
- 5 Click Auto Advance to make a self-running slideshow in which each slide is displayed for the amount of time you select. (Each slide is shown for the same amount of time with this option.)
- 6 When you're done, save your work by choosing Save from the File menu.
- 7 Quit Mapmaker's Slideshow.