

## Expand the Alt+Letter Macros WordPerfect Magazine Tips

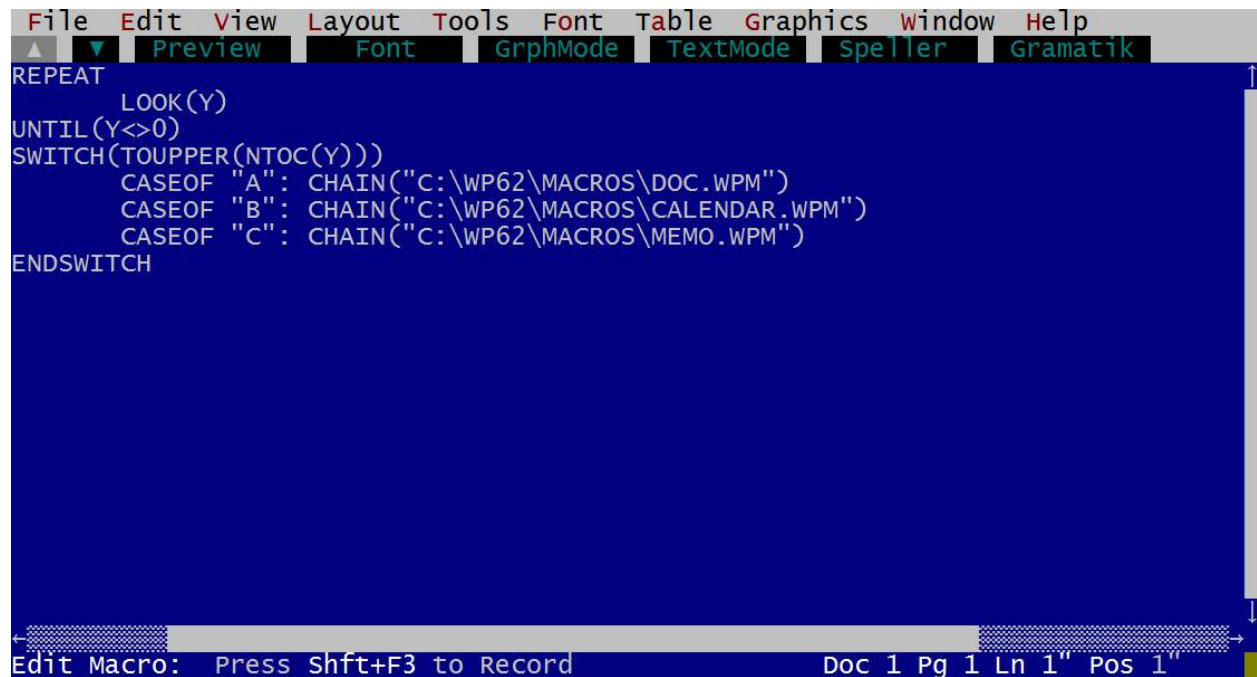
I'm a new WordPerfect 6.x user, and I've found that a few of my WordPerfect 5.1 macro applications don't convert completely. One of my favorite 5.1 applications published in your magazine was the two-character keystroke macro, such as (Alt+A), A and (Alt+A), B. This macro gave me hundreds of options for keystroke macros.

Because the pull-down menu in 6.x uses a few of the Alt+letters normally used for keystroke macros, you'll find the included ALTB.WPM macro helpful. It allows you to have one macro (Alt+B) monitor the keyboard for a pressed key, then plays the macro associated with the pressed key.

To customize the macro, press (Ctrl+F10), type "altb," then press E. This opens the macro editor. Modify the macro file paths and names in lines 5-7 to match those in your system. You can play ("chain") other macros by including additional lines after line 7. Just follow the pattern set in lines 5-7. When finished, press F7 and save the macro.

To use the macro, press (Alt+B) and the letter corresponding to the macro you want to run (i.e., the letter after the CASEOF command listed in the figure below. For example, to run the macro CALENDAR.WPM, press (Alt+B), then B. To run the macro MEMO.WPM, press (Alt+B), then C. (The figure is a representation of the macro as shown in the macro editor.)

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A screenshot of the WordPerfect macro editor interface. The top menu bar includes File, Edit, View, Layout, Tools, Font, Table, Graphics, Window, and Help. Below the menu bar is a toolbar with icons for Preview, Font, GrphMode, TextMode, Speller, and Gramatik. The main editing area has a blue background and contains the following macro code:

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REPEAT
  LOOK(Y)
UNTIL (Y<>0)
SWITCH(TOUPPER(NTOC(Y)))
  CASEOF "A": CHAIN("C:\WP62\MACROS\DOC.WPM")
  CASEOF "B": CHAIN("C:\WP62\MACROS\CALENDAR.WPM")
  CASEOF "C": CHAIN("C:\WP62\MACROS\MEMO.WPM")
ENDSWITCH
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At the bottom of the window, a status bar displays "Edit Macro: Press Shft+F3 to Record" on the left and "Doc 1 Pg 1 Ln 1" Pos 1" on the right.