

# Setting preferences

Use **Edit | Preferences** to change the settings  
for units, color, text, and tools.

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**Edit**

To change the settings...

choose **Edit | Preferences**.

This is the Units panel.

Units apply to existing and future measurements.

Precision applies to future measurements only.

This is the Color panel.

Sketchpad can label points when they're created.

Click to change a color.

This is the Text panel.

Sketchpad can use "y=" notation.

This is the Tools panel.

The Tools panel is especially useful for making it easy to work with interactive whiteboards.

You can apply your preferences to future sketches.

**Preferences**

**Units** | Color | Text | Tools

Units: degrees, hundredths, hundredths, hundredths

Precision: hundredths, hundredths, hundredths

Apply To: ☒ This Sketch ☐ New Sketches

**Color**

☒ Update Automatically When Applying New Colors

Points: [red square] Plots: [purple square] Background: [white square]

Lines: [blue square] Point Loci: [brown square] Annotation: [pink square]

Circles: [green square] Interiors: [yellow square]

☒ Randomly Color New Interiors

☐ Fade Traces Over Time: Fast

Apply To: ☒ This Sketch ☒ New Sketches

**Text**

Show Labels Automatically

☒ For All New Points

☒ As Objects Are Measured

New Objects Text Style

☒ Update Automatically when Restyling Existing Objects

Change Individual Styles...

☒ Show Text Palette when Editing Captions

☒ Italicize All Mathematical Labels

☒ New Parameters Include Edit Boxes in Sketch

☒ New Functions Use "y=" Notation

Apply To: ☒ This Sketch ☒ New Sketches

**Tools**

☐ Double-click Deselection

Selection Magnetism: Low

Polygon Tools

☒ Frame New Polygon Interiors

New polygon opacity: 0.5

Marker Tool

Ink: Automatic

Width: ☐ Narrow ☒ Wide

Information Tool

New Balloons Describe:

☒ Parents ☐ Children ☐ Both