



GRIN-Global

Resource Guide:

This document lists some programs useful when creating documentation and training materials – Enjoy!

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Purpose	Tool / Source	Comments
Screen capturing	Snagit (TechSmith)	tool for capturing screen segments; also includes an editing tool for including annotations highlighting, and graphics
Screen capturing	Greenshot	open source alternative to Snagit – both are excellent tools
Graphics Design & Editing	Inkscape (inkscape)	open source vector graphics editor, with capabilities similar to Illustrator and CorelDraw
Graphics Design & Editing	gimp (gimp.org)	open source software alternative to PhotoShop for editing raster images
Graphics Catalog	Picasa (google)	a great tool for organizing & retrieving graphic files (free)
Help Files	Flare (madcapsoftware)	used for documentation including online help with context sensitivity reference books, manuals

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Office Alternative	OpenOffice.org	excellent alternative to Microsoft Office. The spreadsheet tool “Calc” can be used in lieu of Excel for importing and manipulating GRIN-Global data
Office Alternative	Google Docs	Google’s alternative to Microsoft Office.
Project Management System	trac	Trac is an enhanced wiki and issue tracking system for software development projects. (TRAC is not really a training resource, but it is included here since the GG development team found it so useful for managing the development process.)
Video Recording & Production	Camtasia (Techsmith)	easy-to-use suite of tools for recording “demos” – incorporates video and audio; outputs video files in common formats including .swf, .mov, and .avi