



What is Scrivener?

A word-processing program and outliner designed for authors. It provides a management system for documents, notes and metadata.

This allows the user to organise notes, concepts, research and whole documents for easy access and reference (documents including rich text, images, PDF, audio, video, web pages, etc.).

Some key features

It has a 30 day free trial

If you're not sure, just give Scrivener a go for 30 days realtime. The trial doesn't start ticking down the moment you download it.

If you only use it once a week, you'll get it for 30 weeks, as it only counts the days you use it.

AND it's affordable

Once you do take the plunge, Scrivener only costs \$40 (£25) for the Windows version and \$45 (£27) for the Mac version.

And you don't have to give your card details to get the free trial, so it's a real try before you buy deal.

it has a virtual cork-board

If you like working with 3" x 5" cards, or you are more of a visual person, you'll enjoy the corkboard. Each card provides you with information on your existing chapter or sections of your chapter—or even on the sections you plan to write.

Plus, you can indicate if you still need to write that particular section or if it is in draft or finished form, making it easy to track progress.

Colour Coding

Scrivener lets you add coloured tabs to your index cards, which can be assigned to certain characters, locations or sub plots etc

This allows you to see a certain aspect of your story at a glance and make sure a character or plot line isn't taking over.

You can keep everything in one place!

You can keep all those links, images for your characters and locations, sound files and research in one place

No need for other software packages to be open. No more alt-tab. All you need is Scrivener.

It Compiles Manuscript

Once you've finished writing, you can hit the compile button and it will stitch your document together into a final manuscript, complete with cover sheet and page numbers or convert it into a format for e-publishing or posting on the web.

Things to consider

The "Learning Curve"

Scrivener comes with a lengthy tutorial and you will need it. This is one features heavy software package.

The good news is, it's fairly easy to learn the basics and then you can delve deep or not, as you prefer.

Optimised for Mac

Not all options available at the moment in Window version.

Formatting

In comparison to Microsoft Word, Scrivener has poor formatting issues.



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