

Matrix 1: Indexing Tools and Output Options

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Indexing tools		PDF?	HTML / Web (HTML, XHTML)?	eBook (XHTML)?
Stand-alone Software	<p>Yes.</p> <p>NOTE: unique IDs must be available to use as locators.</p>	<p>Yes, using Sonar Activate.</p> <p>NOTE: Locators in book must match Sonar's requirements. Volume numbers and using differing locator schemes in same piece confuse Sonar. Cross references are not active.</p> <p>NOTE: Acrobat 10 doesn't work with Sonar at this time. Use Sonar Activate 6 for Acrobat Pro 9 projects. Use Sonar Activate 5 for Acrobat 8 Pro projects.</p>	<p>Yes, as long as locators are or include anchor IDs (tags) in content code.</p> <p>NOTE: HTML/Prep™ in conjunction with CINDEXTM or Sky Index™ can be used to generate the appropriate files with the appropriate links. Macrex™ can generate the files using the Definition File natively. Cross references are active. Indexes can be split by letter.</p>	<p>Yes, as long as locators are or include anchor IDs (tags) in content code or utilize Canonical Fragment IDs (CFIs).</p> <p>NOTE: HTML/Prep™ in conjunction with CINDEXTM or Sky Index™ can be used to generate the appropriate files with the appropriate links. Macrex™ can generate the files using the appropriate Definition File natively. Cross references are active. Indexes can be split by letter.</p> <p>NOTE: TExtract™, which allows an indexer to add, edit, and control extracted index entries, now supports anchors for eBook index output. This is new functionality that has not been tested yet by the authors.</p>
Microsoft Word	<p>Yes. Supports alternate sort, italics/bold in entries, generic cross references.</p> <p>NOTE: Does not support n, nn, fig., t-style decorations or specialized locators, or cross reference checking. Watch out for multiple targets from cross references. Regenerate index before final printing.</p>	<p>Yes, using Sonar Activate.</p> <p>NOTE: Cross references are not active.</p>	<p>Yes, with third-party macros written by client</p> <p>NOTE: Requires specialized macros to insert anchor tags () and get the index to link to them. Word is programmed to look only for the page the text is on at the time of generation.</p>	<p>Yes, with third-party macros written by client</p> <p>NOTE: Requires specialized macros to insert anchor tags () and get the index to link to them. Word is programmed to just look for the page the text is on at the time of generation. TExtract may be of use (see resources).</p> <p>NOTE: Although Amazon Create Space and Kindle Direct will accept a Word document as input, the resulting index will NOT be active.</p>
XML editor (e.g., Oxygen, XMetaL, XMLSpy, etc.)	<p>Yes. Requires a style sheet to output the desired format. Supports alternate sort, italics/bold in entries, generic cross references.</p>	<p>Yes. Requires a style sheet to output the desired format.</p>	<p>Yes. Can link to individual word level. Requires a style sheet to output the desired format and to insert appropriate anchors and links in the output. Oxygen ships with a DocBook-to-HTML stylesheet that can be applied to generate a readable/proofable index when you compile the book. Supports italics and bold in entries, active and generic cross references.</p>	<p>Yes. Can link to individual word level. Requires a style sheet to output the desired format and to insert appropriate anchors and links in the output. Oxygen ships with a DocBook stylesheet that can be applied to generate a readable/proofable index when you compile the book. Supports italics and bold in entries, active and generic cross references.</p>

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FrameMaker	<p>Yes, using Frame's own module. Supports alternate sort, italics/bold in entries, generic cross refs.</p> <p>NOTE: Regenerate before final printing. Does not support decorations or specialized locators. No cross reference checking. Be careful with multiple targets from cross references.</p>	<p>Yes.</p> <p>NOTE: Cross references are not active.</p>	<p>May be possible, but would likely take a lot of work and specialized macros.</p>	<p>Adobe reports that Frame does convert indexes to EPUB. It is possible to convert a document created in Frame to EPUB via RoboHelp, but the resulting index is not particularly good.</p>
InDesign	<p>Yes, using InDesign's own indexing module (InDesign CC and all CS versions produce print indexes).</p> <p>NOTE: Regenerate index before final printing. Don't count on having any italics or bold in entry text. The sort can be controlled. Be careful with multiple targets from cross references. No cross reference checking.</p> <p>NOTE: To single-source both print and ebook editions from one set of files in older versions of InDesign CSx, use scripts (see resources) and standalone indexing software. Full HTML anchors are placed in the text by the scripts and the page number is used as the HTML locator text in the hyperlinks. To get the print version, do a GREP search and replace to strip out the HTML codes in the locators. Cross references are not active after script use in Cindex or Sky; Macrex has a Definition File that add many automated features to the index, including active cross references.</p> <p>There are plugins available to enhance the indexing module in InDesign (see resources). If your process includes merging changed stories into InDesign, consider Em Software's DocsFlow and WordsFlow, or Adobe InCopy. All leave intact embedded markers while merging in new text.</p>	<p>Yes.</p> <p>NOTE: Can use Sonar Activate to activate the print index for a PDF that was not generated from InDesign. Cross references are not active.</p> <p>NOTE: Rich Bines' indexing plug-ins can activate the print index for InDesign PDFs. See resources.</p>	<p>Yes, with InDesign CC.</p> <p>NOTE: Older versions of InDesign strip out index entries for HTML and XHTML exports. HTML anchors need to be inserted into the content, and used as locators.</p> <p>NOTE: InDesign CC leaves index anchors in the HTML, but the indexing works only if you create the book as one long file. Traditional Book File and Chapter File structuring doesn't work.</p>	<p>Yes, with InDesign CC's EPUB export.</p> <p>NOTE: Indenting is not perfect, but the CSS style sheet can be edited (see resources). Cross references are not active.</p> <p>NOTE: Kindle formats are not supported.</p> <p>NOTE: Prior versions of InDesign strip out index entries. For prior versions, use scripts or plug-ins, or a standalone index using HTML anchors inserted in InDesign content (see resources)</p>
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