

Manual: Introduction to XPress

For use with: **SimplicityTouch**
Interactive Flat Panel

SimplicitySlate
Interactive Wireless Slate

Recordex XPress

XPress is our popular annotation and white boarding application. There are versions available for Microsoft Windows ®, Apple OS X ®, and Google Android ®. Files created are cross-platform compatible.¹

Image: XPress Page

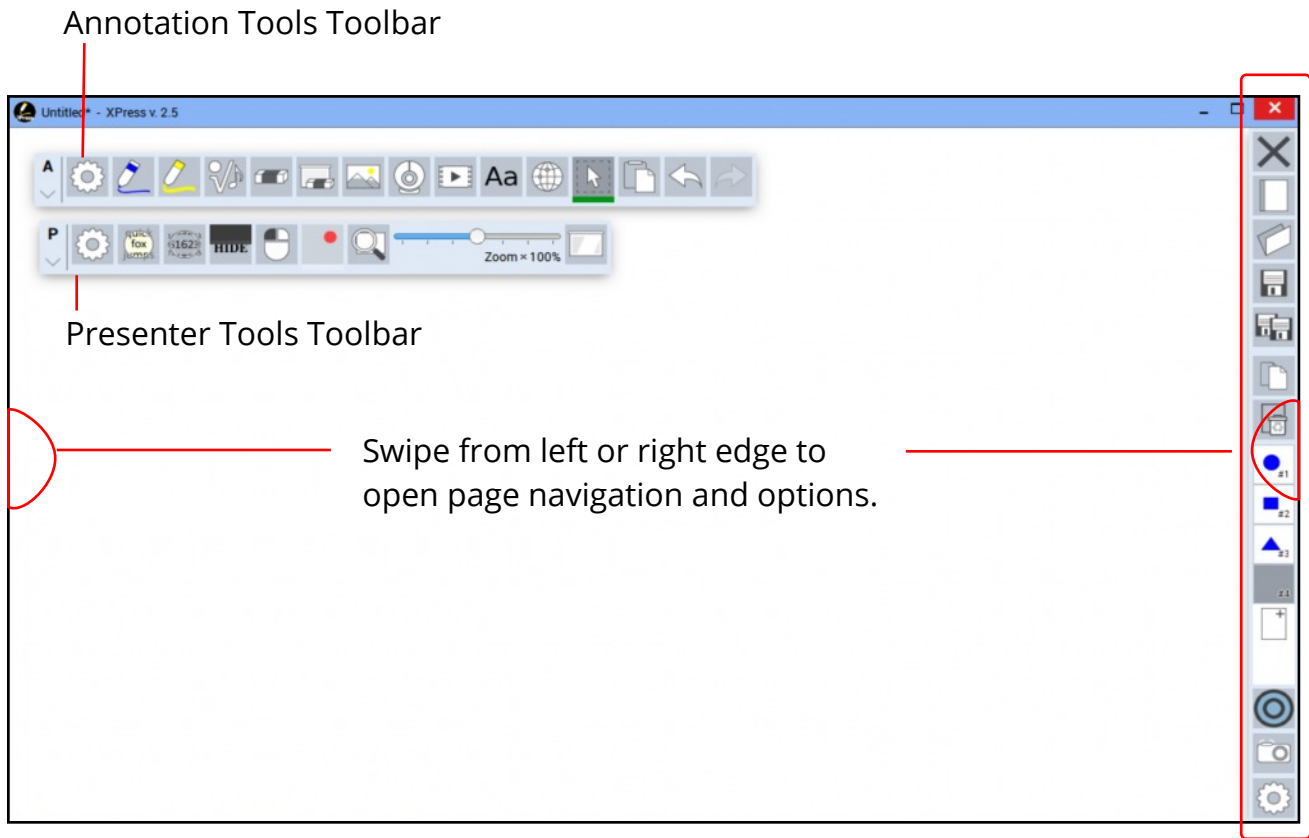


Image: Annotation Toolbar

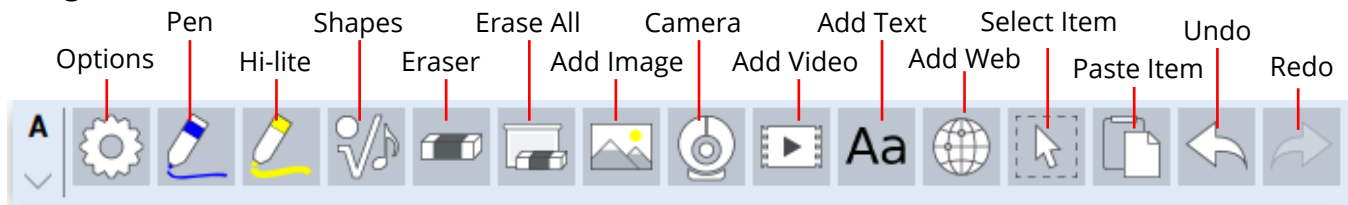
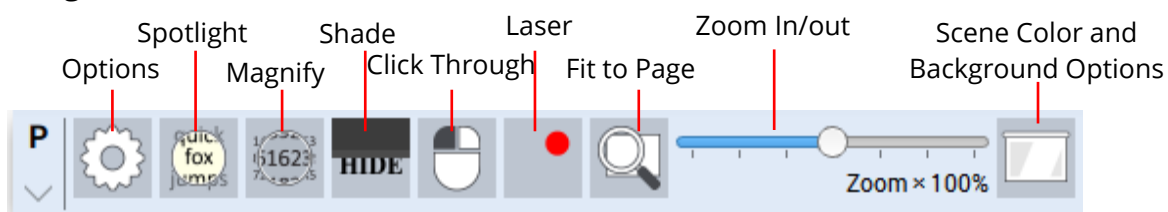


Image: Presenter Toolbar²



¹ Some limitations apply when opening files in Android.

² Click through tool is not included in Android version of XPress.

Tools Options

Image: Annotation Tools Options

Tap gear to open annotation tools options.

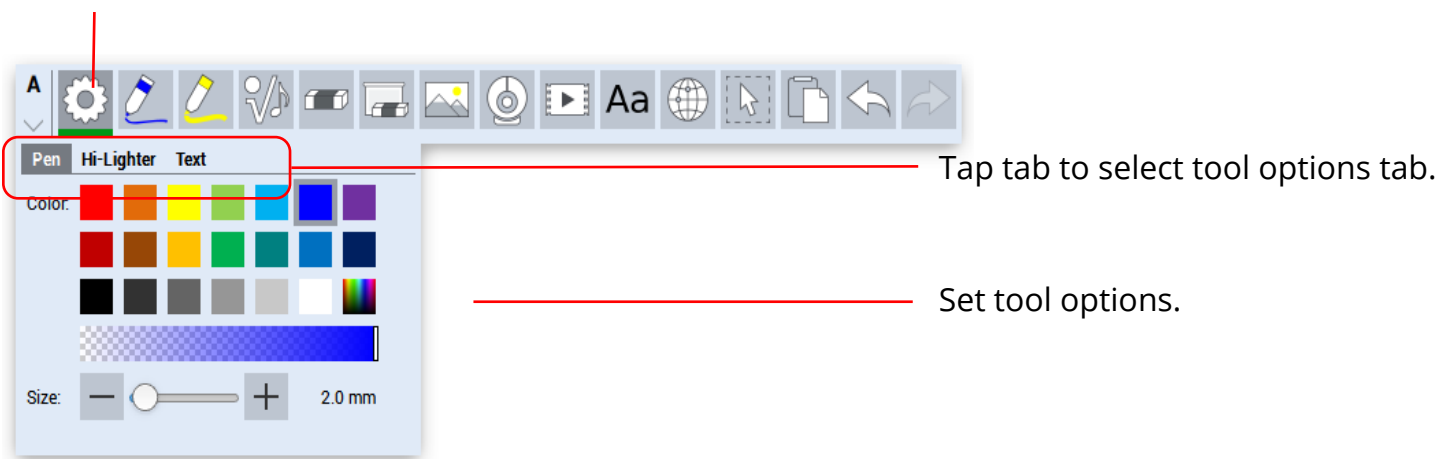
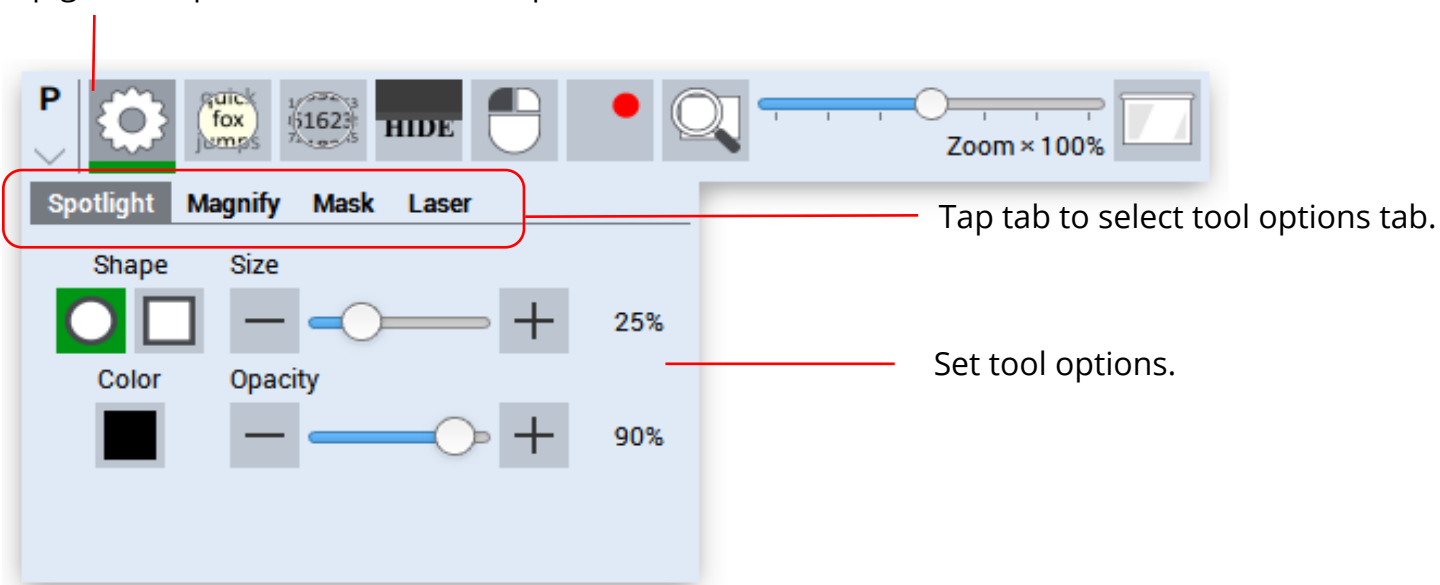


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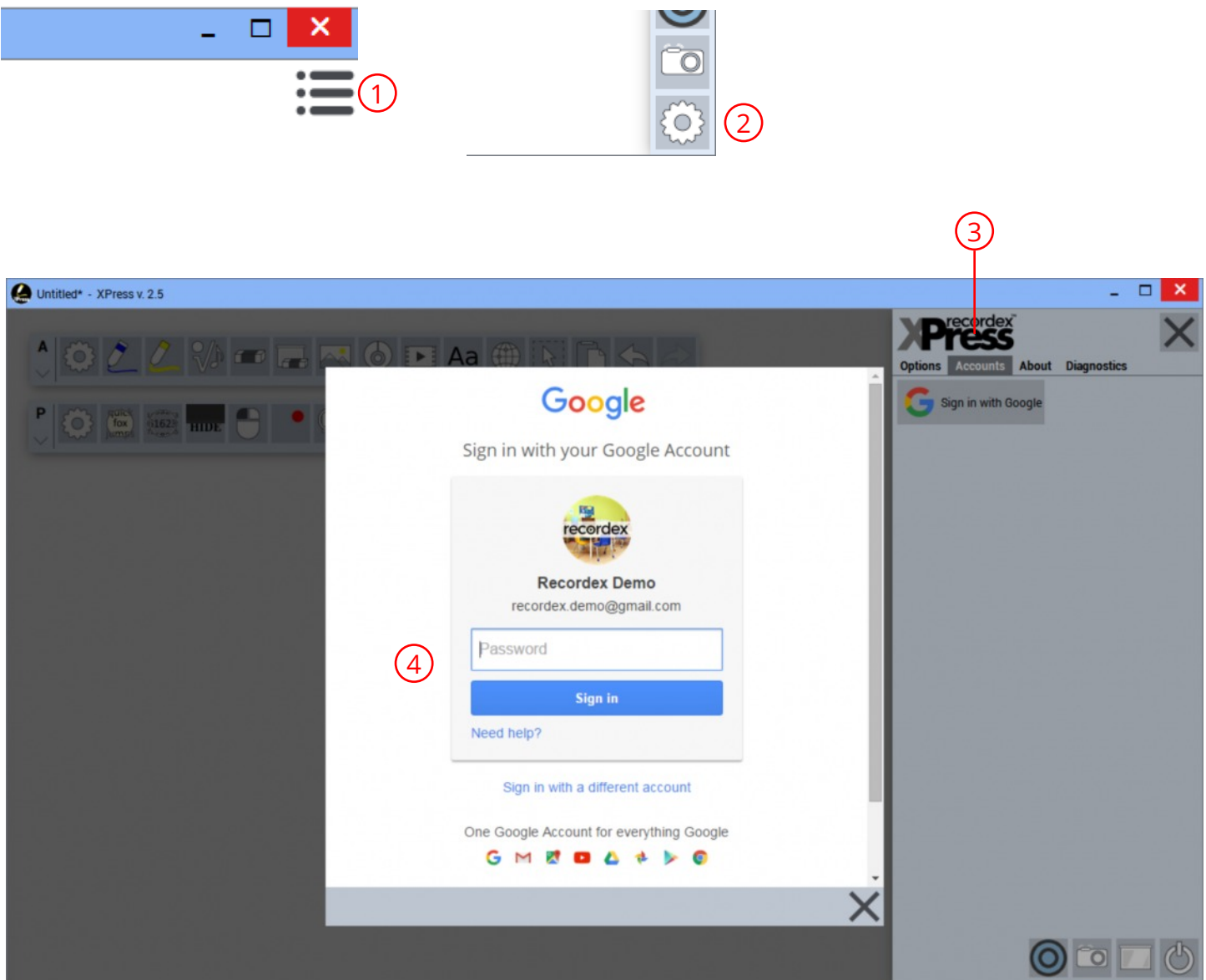
Using Google Account with XPress

Sign into Google Account

XPress 2.5 allow you to sign into your Google Account. After signed into your Google Account you can save XPress files to you Google Drive and open them later. You can also insert images and PDFs and Google Docs (using web page tool) as object in your XPress whiteboard page.

To sign into your Google Account press the menu (hamburger icon) on the top right of the application (1). Tap/Click on the Gear Icon at bottom right of window (2). Then choose the Accounts tab (3). Then sign into your Google Account (4).

Image: Select & Modify Object



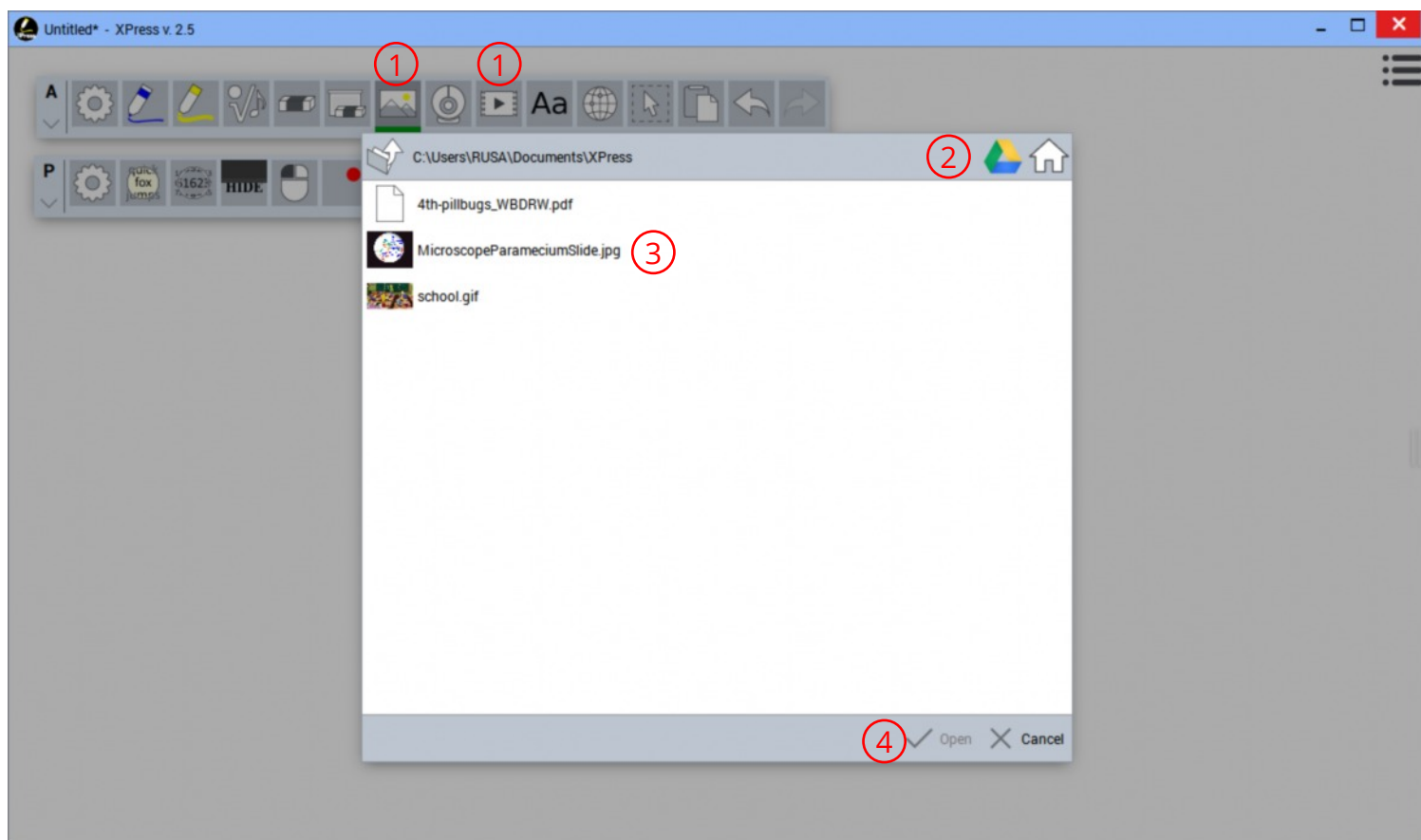
Placing and using objects on the page

Browsing to Select Images & Video when running XPress on Windows or OSX

You can insert video (MP4) and images (JPG, PNG, GIF) from any drive on your PC and embed them into your XPress document. You can also sign into your Google account and open files directly from your Google Drive. To do this first be sure the files are located on your PC or Google Drive.

Then use the add image or add video tool (1). This will launch a file browser that will allow you to select the file from your PC or Google Drive (2). Browse to the folder on your PC that contains the file then select it (3) and press Open (4).

Image: Select Image or Video File from Folder on PC



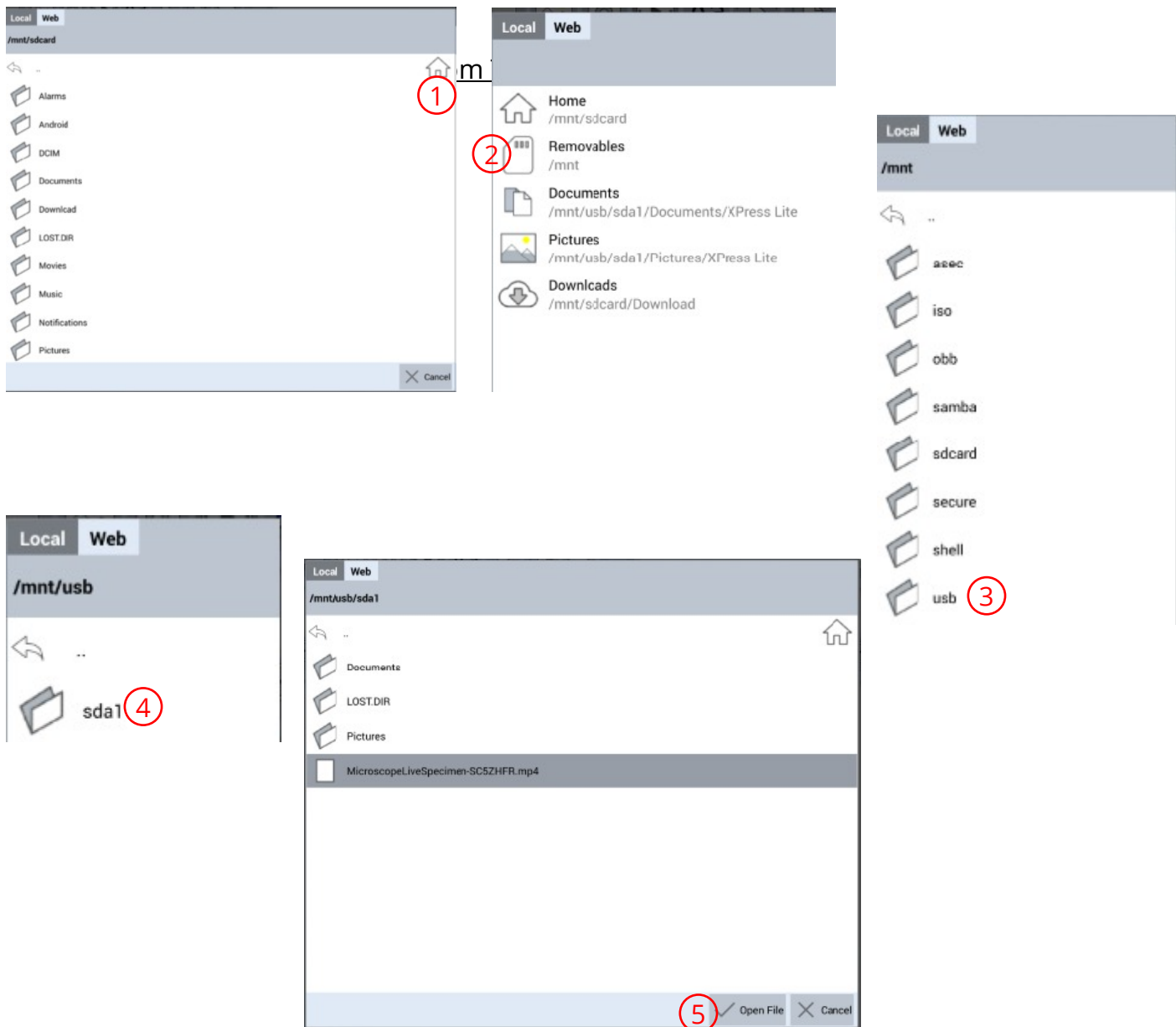
Placing and using objects on the page- continued

Browsing to Select Images & Video from USB Thumb Drive on SimplicityTouch IFP (android version of XPress)

You can insert video (MP4) and images (JPG, PNG, GIF) from a USB thumb drive and embed them into your XPress document.

To do this first be sure the files are located on a USB thumb drive and the thumb drive is inserted into the SimplicityTouch.

Then use the add image or add video tool. This will launch a file browser that will allow you to select the file from your thumb drive. To find the file on your USB drive Press Home (1), then Removables (2), then usb (3), then sda1 (4), then select your file (it may be in a sub folder) and press Open File (5).



Placing and using objects on the page - continued

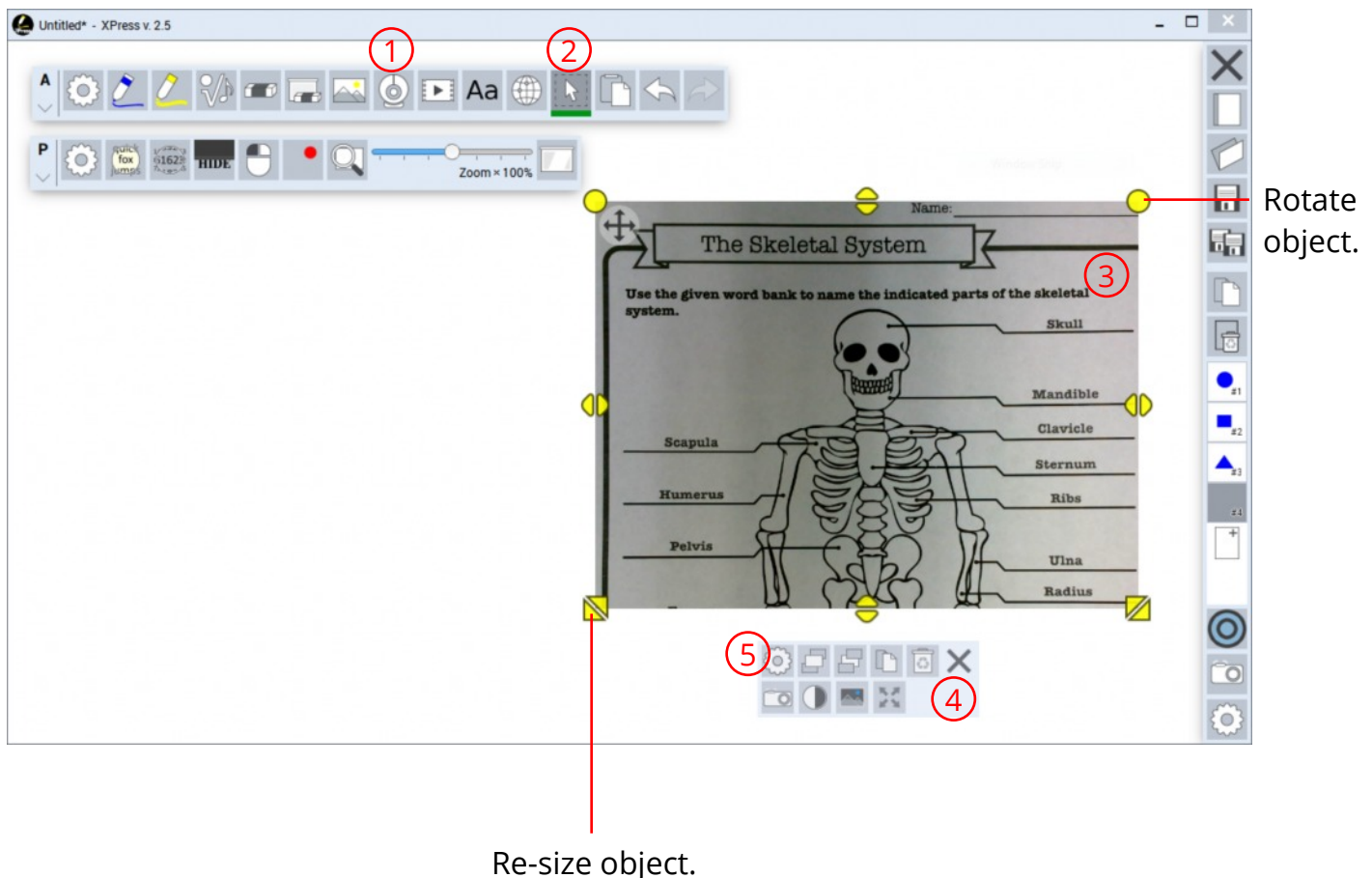
Selecting & Modifying Placed Objects

To select an object after it has been placed on the page use the object/item select tool. Then tap on the object. This will cause the object's context menu to appear.

For example, here we have opened our document camera (1) from within XPress. Next, we will use the select object tool (2) and then tap on the camera object to select it (3). This will cause the camera object context menu to be visible (4). Then we can tap on the gear button (5) to open up additional options for the camera tool. Pressing the full screen button will set object to full screen mode. All objects work in a similar way.

When an object has been selected you can use the handles on the outer edge of the object to resize and rotate the object.

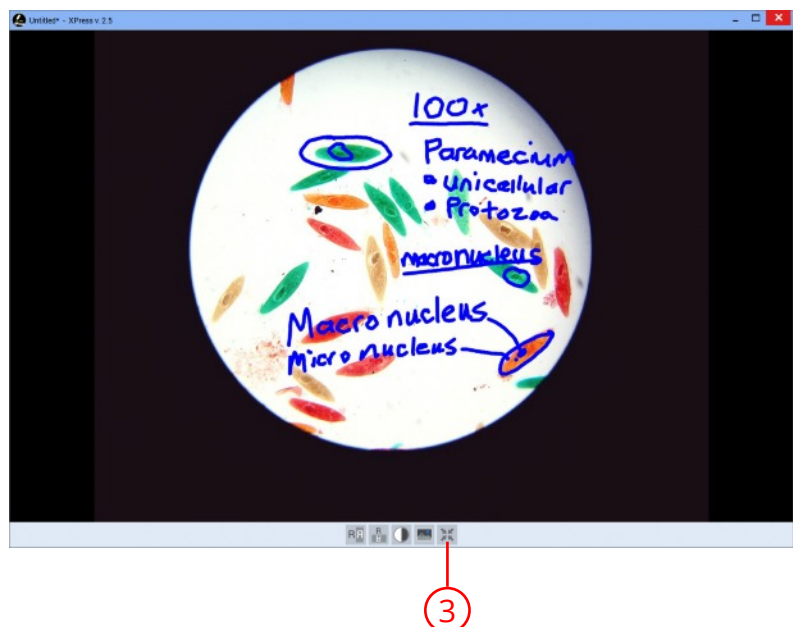
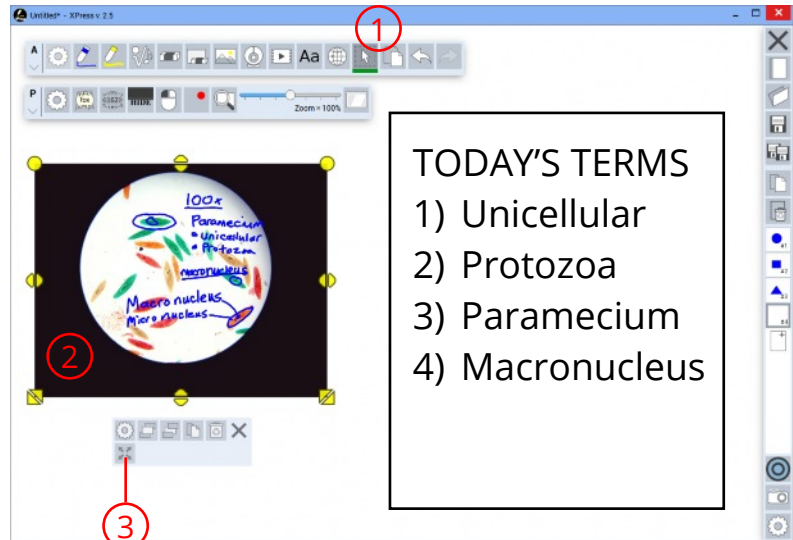
Image: Select & Modify Object



Placing and using objects on the page - continued

Selecting & Modifying Placed Objects- Continued There are times where it is more convenient to place a smaller thumbnail image of a resource on page and then promote it to full screen view only when reviewing it with the class. For example, let's say you are discussing a new topic in science and you want to use part of the whiteboard space to introduce some new terms. And you have an image that goes with the list of terms. You may want to have the image on the screen so it is visible while going over the list of terms, and at times you may want to re-size the picture to make it bigger so it is easier to see. This is simplified by the full-screen button that has been added many of the objects in XPress 2.5 (images, videos, PDFs, web pages, camera images).

To go to full screen, use the select tool (1) to tap/click on the object (2) and then tap/click on the full-screen button (3) on the object's context menu. Tap/click on the full-screen button again (3) to return object to its original size.

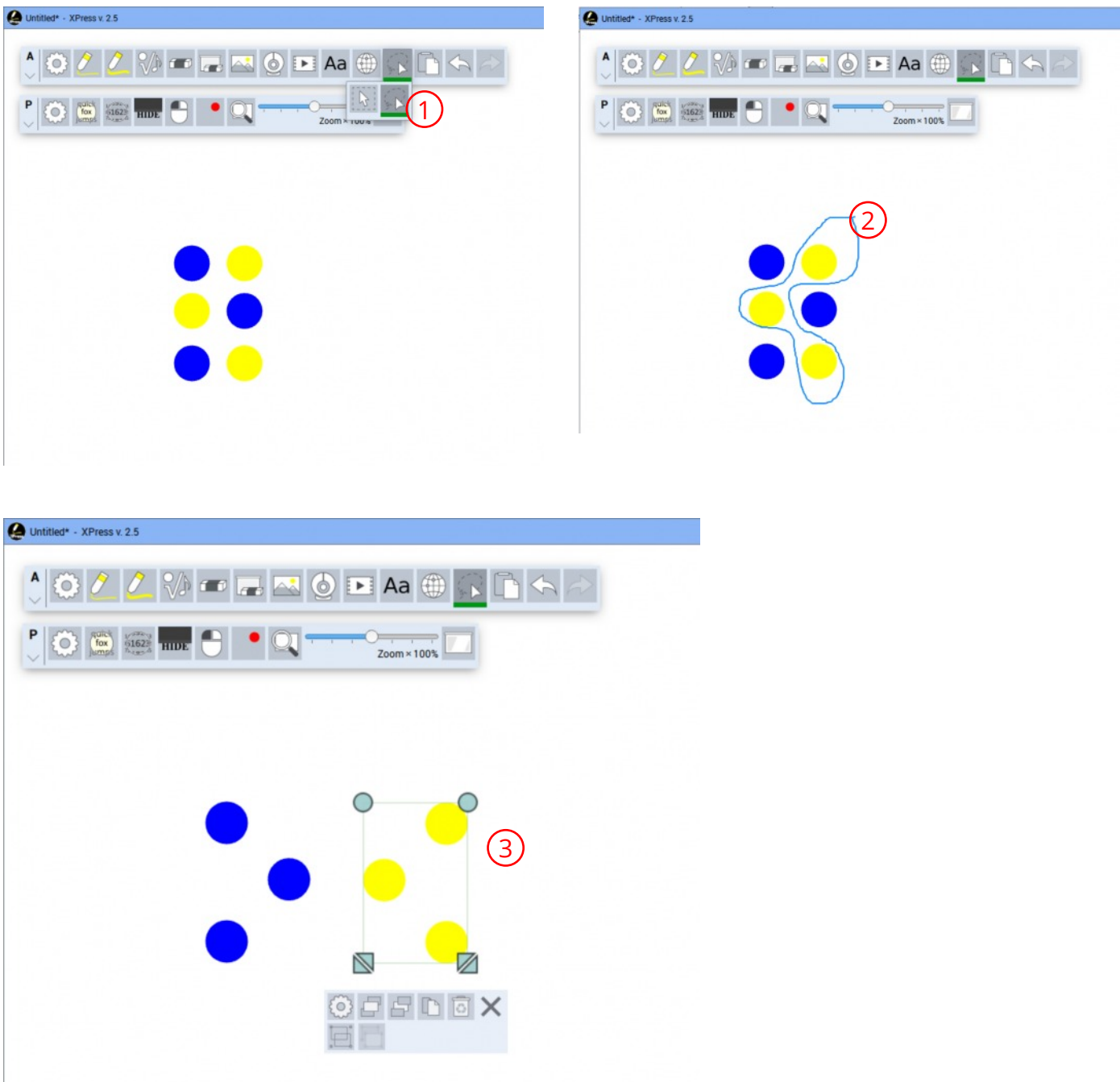


Placing and using objects on the page - continued

Selecting & Modifying Placed Objects - continued

There are times you want to select a group of objects. Use the lasso select tool (1) (or use CTRL-CLICK) to select multiple objects (2) and then move them or modify them as a group (3).

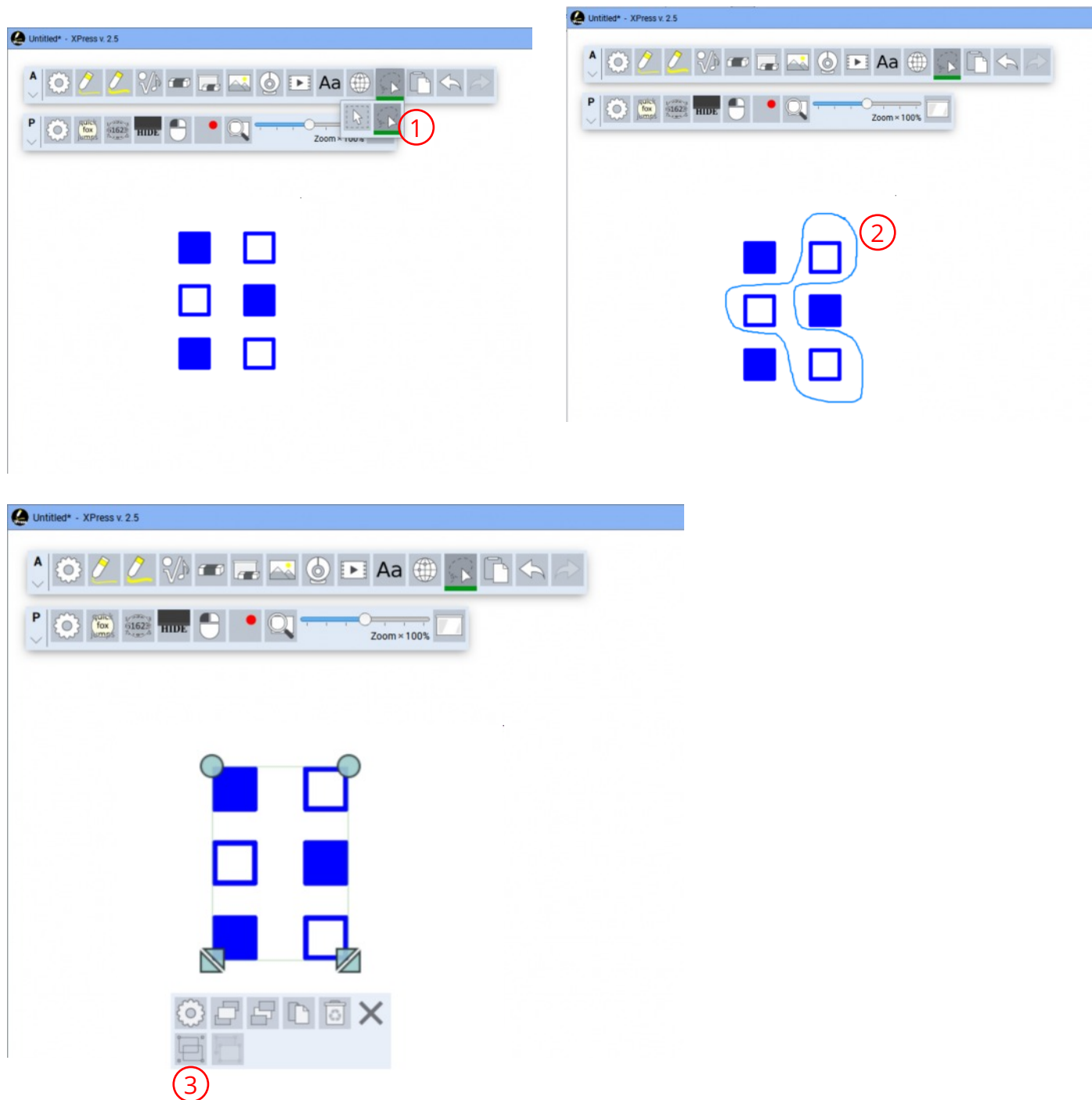
Image: Select & Modify Object



Placing and using objects on the page - continued

Grouping Selected Objects There are times when it is easier to treat a set of objects as one object. Use the Group/Un-group option to do this. Tap/Click on the select tool (1), then select multiple objects (2), then press the group button (3) to group them into one object.

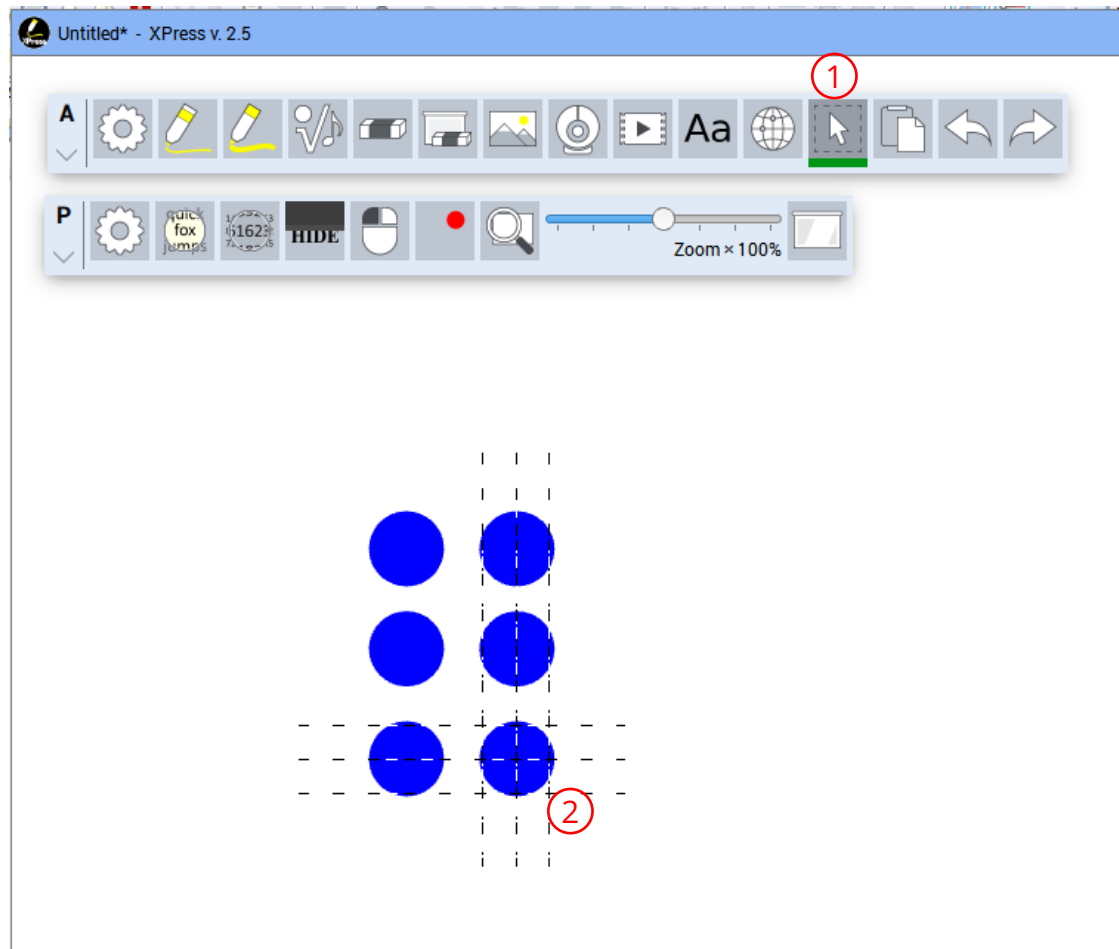
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Placing and using objects on the page - continued

Snapping Objects When laying out a page it can be tricky to get things lined up properly. We've added smart snapping to make it easier. Just select an object using the select tool (1) and then click or tap on it and drag it near another object on the page and you will see smart snapping guide-lines (2) appear to help you align object to each other.

Image: Select & Align Objects with Smart Snapping



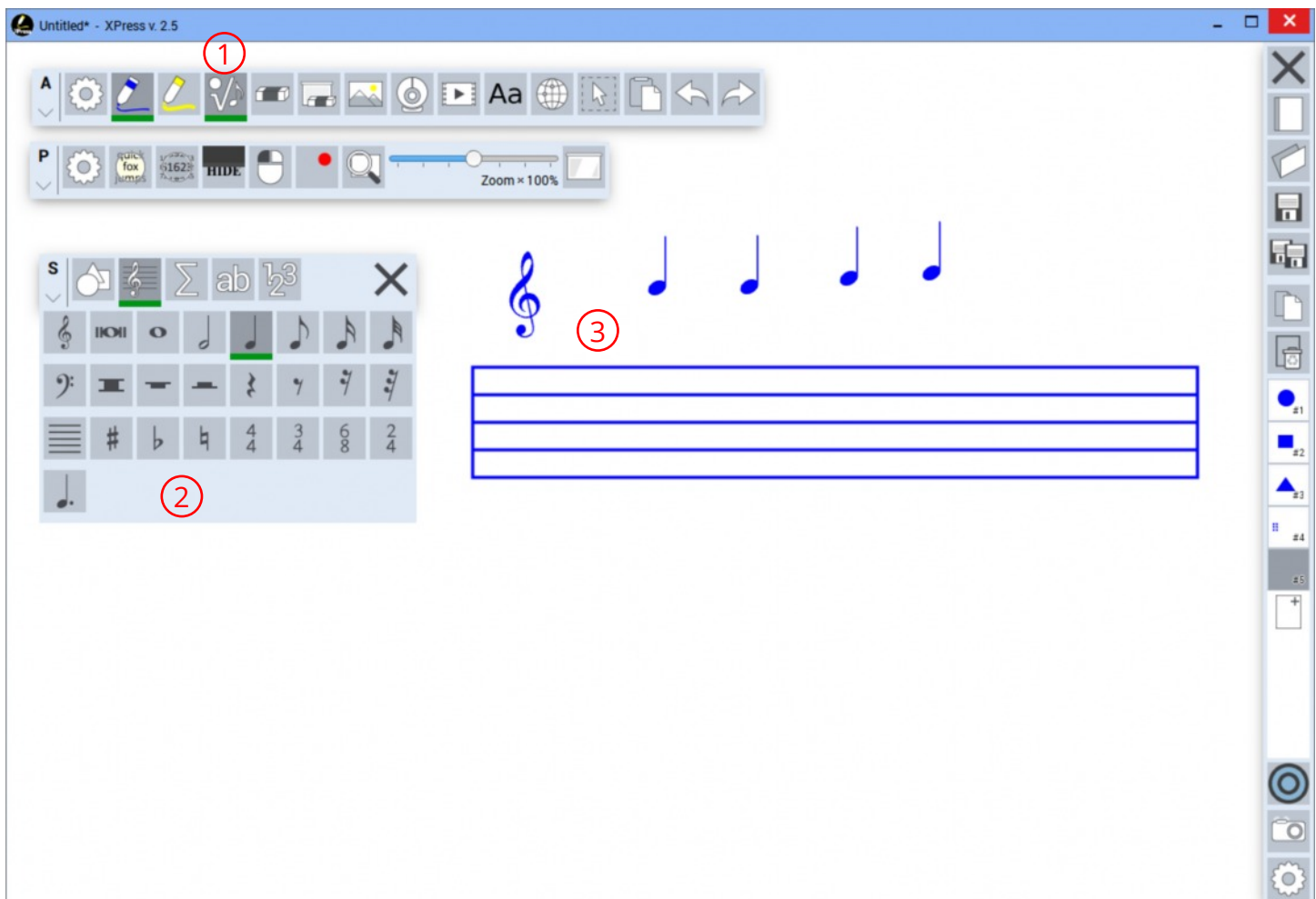
Placing and using objects on the page - continued

Symbols with smart snapping logic XPress 2.5 Introduces some new symbols to XPress and new smart snapping logic to help use the symbols with each other. There are basic math and music symbols which snap with each other.

Here we will add a music staff and some music symbols to the page. Then drag the symbols onto the staff and they will auto-size, auto-align, and auto-snap into place.

Step 1: Open the symbol library (1) and select a symbol (2) then click/tap on the page to place the symbol on the page (3).

Image: Add Symbols to Page

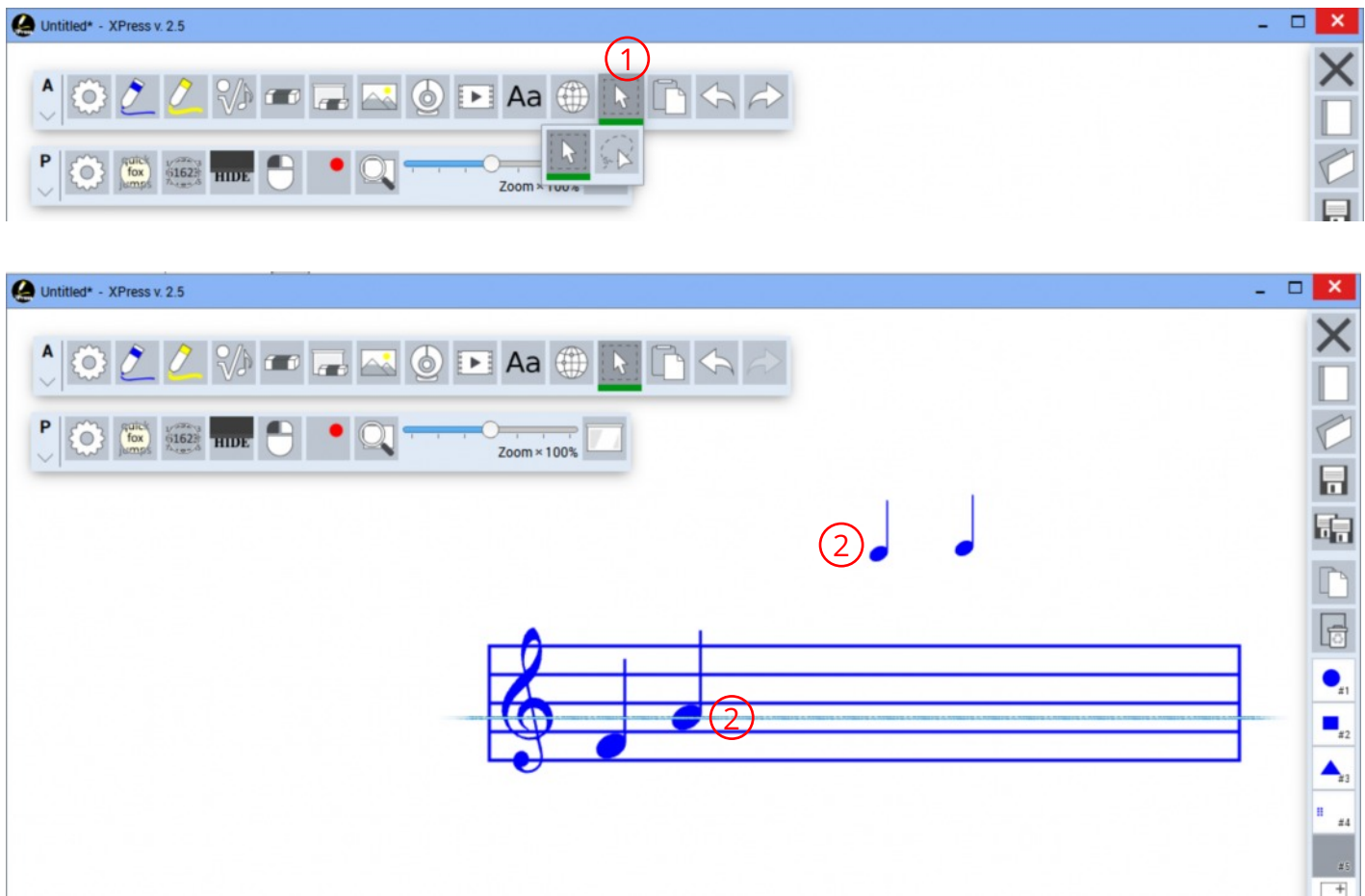


Placing and using objects on the page - continued

Symbols with smart snapping logic - continued

Step 2: Tap/Click on the Select tool (1) and then tap/click on a symbol and drag it onto the music staff (2) to see the symbol automatically size itself, and align to staff using guidelines.

Image: Add Symbols to Music Staff

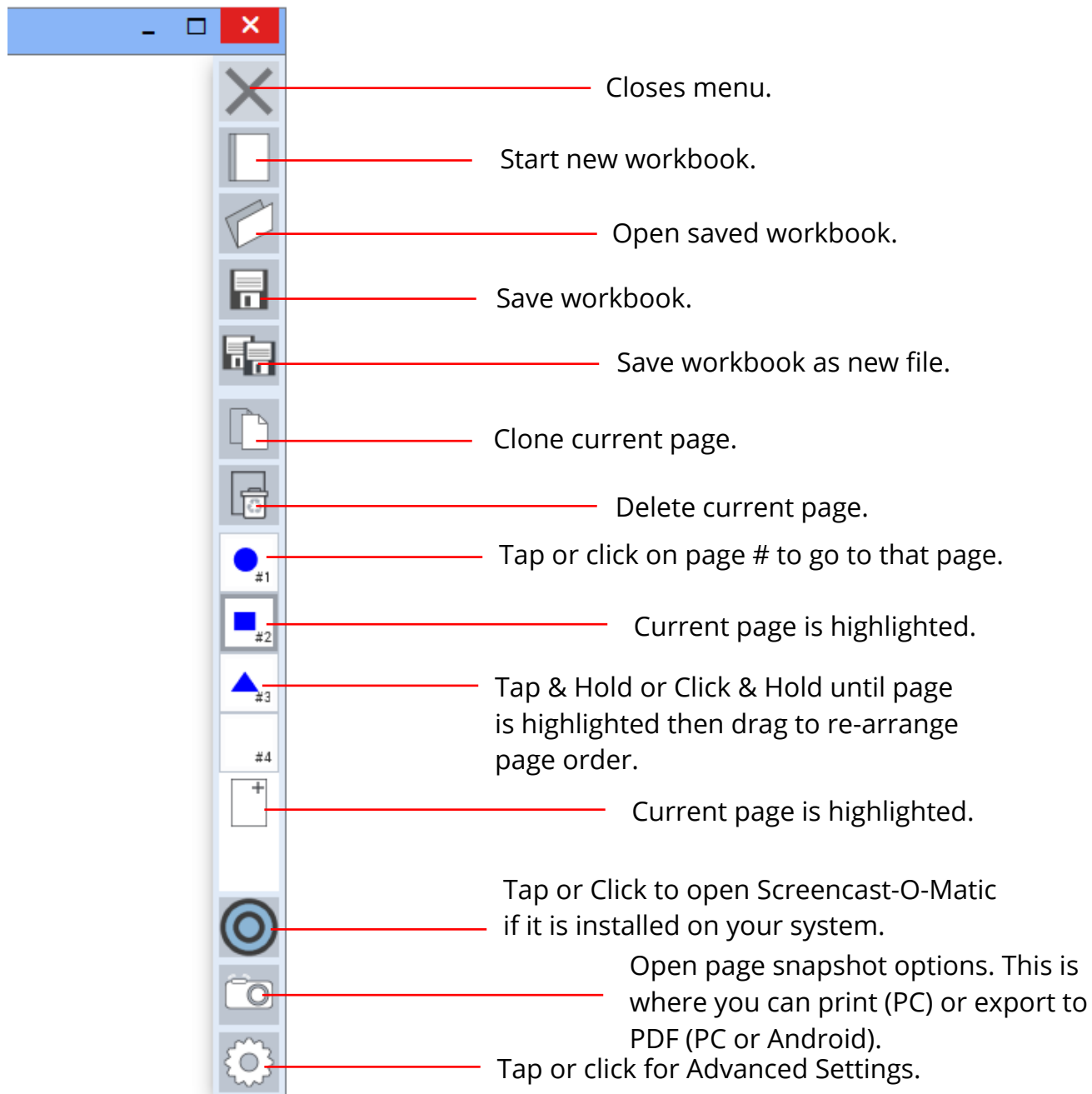


Workbook and Page Navigation

Add, Remove and Rearrange Pages & other Workbook Options

It is easy to add and remove pages and save your work. Simply swipe from the left or right side of the screen to reveal the page navigation menu.

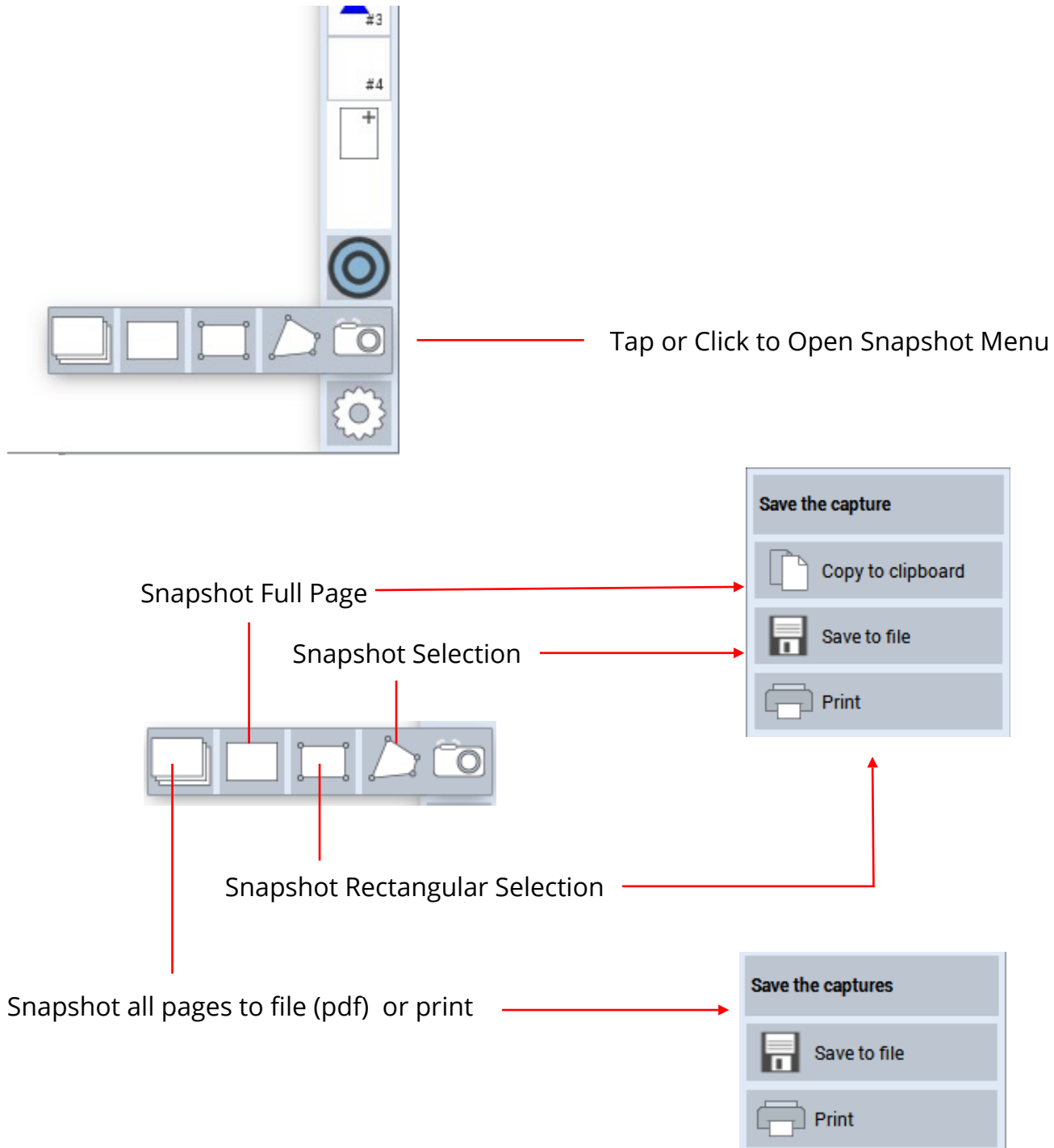
Image: Page Navigation Menu



Workbook and Page Navigation - continued

Take Page Snapshots & Print or Export Pages. Simply swipe from the left or right side of the screen to reveal the page navigation menu and then use the snapshot and background tools.

Image: Snapshot Tool



Page & Background Options

Change Page Background.

Open Scene Color and Page Background Options

Set background color for page

Set Page Style (Blank, line for writing, and grid for math)

Set page transparency (Note: when using XPress on Android this option is not available.)

Change spacing of background style lines

NOTE: If transparent mode does not work properly then watch this video to learn how to enable Windows Aero themes to turn on transparency feature.

<https://youtu.be/mZDK9TyeVaA>

Screencasting XPress

Screencast with Screencast-O-matic (only available on XPress for Windows and OS X)

Swipe from the left or right side of the screen to reveal the page navigation menu and then tap/click on the Screencast-O-Matic (SoM) button to launch SoM. Note, requires user to install SoM separately before clicking on SoM button.

Image: Page Navigation menu showing SoM button



Screencast-O-Matic button.

Advanced Settings and Options

Application Settings. You will leave most of these settings at the default. But if you are one who like's to explore you can experiment with the options by swiping from the edge or tap/click on hamburger icon at top right of the page and then pressing the gear button.



Image: Application Options

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XPress

Options Accounts About Diagnostics

Documents

Folder: C:\...\Documents\XPress

Screenshots

Folder: C:\...\Pictures\XPress

Format: JPG

Camera

Allow multiple cameras:

Flip camera vertically:

Flip camera horizontally:

Webpage default url

https://www.google.com/

Appearance

Fullscreen:

Show Menu Button:

Two-sided menu:

Quality:

Device:

UI Size:

Extra boost

Smart snap

Allow fist erase

Update

http://recordexusa.com/software/ver-update.txt

Notify about software updates:

Check for updates

Restore update settings

Change default location for storing XPress documents.

Change default location for saving screenshots.

Some cameras need to be flipped in order to show up properly.

Set the default url used when web page tool is opened.

Some settings may not be available on your device or they may appear not to do anything.

Changes smoothness of drawn lines. Some lower powered PCs may not be able to handle "high" setting.

Experimental features that you can disable if you decide you don't like them. Smart snapping of objects and gesture fist erase.

Don't change the update address. If you want to disable update notification you can do that here.

Click to exit the application.

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Exiting XPress

Exiting the Application. For optimal performance it is recommended that you properly exit XPress after you are finished using it. Leaving it running in background can affect overall performance of the SimplicityTouch.

To exit simply swipe from left or right edge of screen, then click on options gear and then tap the exit button.

Image: Exit Application

