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TOPIC -----

The clickText function knows only those writing systems that are defined in the currently installed script resources. On a KanjiTalk system, for example, the clickText function knows Japanese; that is, it follows the Japanese script system's definition of a word.

DISCUSSION -----

Use the word "script" in this context means a collection of resources that defines a writing system. These scripts are managed by the Macintosh Script Manager, which is documented in Inside Macintosh Volume V and VI. It is possible to modify existing scripts for use with various languages.

HyperCard is actually pretty good about not making assumptions about writing systems; the handling of text was extensively revised for 2.0 to have additional compatibility with international system software.

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