

# Text Tool

*Use the Text tool for text creation and editing*

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## Using the Text Tool

In the toolbar you'll find a small palette of tools, appropriately labeled "Tools". This palette contains the toolbar you'll use to manipulate figures on the idea space and easily create a few new items as well.

The text tool button looks like a little 'A'. You can press the T key on your keyboard to quickly choose this tool.

While the Select tool can be used to edit figure, if you plan to edit lots of text figures using the text tool may be more convenient as you only need to click once to create and edit text figures.

## Session Style

If, after clicking the text tool but before clicking on the idea space, you change any text attributes using the various inspectors then those attributes will be stored in-memory as the session style for the text tool.

For example, click the text tool then use the inspector to make the text bold with a red color. Then when you click on the idea space you'll create a new bold-red text figure. Later, when you use the text tool again, you can create another bold-red text figure.

These style changes are just for the current session of Curio, they aren't stored to disk. To make permanent styles you should use Curio's figure style feature.

## Insert a New Text Figure Using the Text Tool

- Click anywhere in the idea space to create an automatically sized text figure, or click and drag the mouse to define a specific width for the new figure.

## Edit an Existing Text Figure Using the Text Tool

- Click on the text figure to begin editing. Press Escape when you're done editing the text figure or click on another to begin editing that figure.