

# Text

## Customize your figure's text properties

To change your figure's text properties either use the text controls on the inspector bar, or see the Shape tab in the Inspector shelf.

### Text via the Inspector Bar

If the figure contains text then you'll find several controls on the inspector bar itself for fast access to popular attributes.

#### Font and Font Size

Select a font for the selected figure.

Select or directly enter a font size. Tip: you can also use the standard Command+ and Command- keys to increase or decrease the font size.

#### Text Color

Specify a text color. Clicking will show a quick color chooser while Option-clicking will display the standard Apple Color picker.

#### Highlight/Background Color

Specify a text highlight/background color. This color control remembers the last used color even between launches.

Clicking will show a quick color chooser while Option-clicking will display the standard Apple Color picker. Hold the Shift key and the color well will show that previously-used color, the default is a nice light-yellow color, and then click the color well to apply that color to the selected text for instant highlighting.

#### Character Attributes

Specify attributes such as bold, italic, underline, strikethrough, superscript, and subscript.

#### Shadow

Click the shadow button to display a popover allowing you to customize the shadow applied to the figure's text. Note this is different that the shadow which can be applied to the overall figure itself as specified in the Shape inspector.

#### Paragraph Attributes

Click the paragraph button to display a popover for setting several paragraph properties including: horizontal alignment, vertical alignment, freeform sizing, and line height.

If a text figure is freeform then that means you are in complete control of its width and height, clipping any text vertically if necessary. If not freeform then Curio will automatically grow a text figure's height as necessary to hold its contents.

If you have an idea space with only a horizontal grid, like a notebook paper grid, then the line height can be set to match the grid's spacing. Or the line height can be determine automatically based on font size.

### Text via the Inspector Shelf

The inspector shelf will show other controls since there's a bit more room in the shelf. In addition to the controls listed above you'll find...

#### Typeface

Select a specific font typeface, such as "Light" or "Medium Oblique".

#### Automatic Capitalization

If a figure is selected, not just selected text within a figure, then you can select an automatic capitalization such as lowercase, uppercase, sentence, capitalize, and titlecase. Your text is stored as you entered it but will be transformed right before display with the specified capitalization.

- **None**  
Rendered as entered.  
"the new macos sierra for iMAC and MACBOOK Pro integrates with IOS devices."
- **Uppercase**  
Uppercase all letters.  
"THE NEW MACOS SIERRA FOR IMAC AND MACBOOK PRO INTEGRATES WITH IOS DEVICES."
- **Lowercase**  
Lowercase all letters.  
"the new macos sierra for imac and macbook pro integrates with ios devices."
- **Sentence**  
Lowercase all except first word and products.  
"The new macOS Sierra for iMac and MacBook Pro integrates with iOS devices."
- **Capitalize**  
Capitalize each word except products.  
"The New macOS Sierra For iMac And MacBook Pro Integrates With iOS Devices."
- **Titlecase**  
Capitalize but lowercase certain words .  
"The New macOS Sierra for iMac and MacBook Pro Integrates with iOS Devices."