Settings FAQ

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A: Make the change while logged in as administrator, or alternatively give the relevant ini file full permissions for all users.

Q: Which programs use the registry to store settings?
A: 2Type, 2Handwrite, 2Review. See below for details.

Q: Where are the 2Simple settings files located?
A: For most 2Simple programs, when you make changes in the teacher options (ctrl + shift + the letter "o"), these changes are saved to a single ".ini" file in the main program folder, when you exit the program. By default the location is C:\Program Files\2Simple Software\ProgramName (unless you have installed the program somewhere else). If you make changes to this file manually, you should do so while the 2Simple program is closed. To copy an ini file to other machines on a network, see www.2simple.com > support > networks > copying 2Simple settings across a network. In some cases, the ini file might be blank when the program has just been installed; the ini file should then be populated with default values the first time the program has been run on that computer.

- 2Animate - 2Animate.ini (older versions stored settings in the registry (HKCU\Software\VB and VBA Program Settings\2Simple Software\2Animate). The latest version, v2.0.76, saves to an ini file in the main program folder, but you can still choose to use the registry by going into teacher options > settings > apply changes for me only.)
- 2Assess - 2assess.xml (can only be edited directly; not through teacher options)
- 2Calculate - 2calculate.ini
- 2Connect - 2connect.ini
- 2Control - 2controlNXT.ini
- 2Create - 2mmtk.ini
- 2Create A Story - 2cas.ini
- 2Create A Superstory - 2cas2.xml (can only be edited directly; not through teacher options)
- 2DIY – 2diy.ini (can only be edited directly; not through teacher options)
- 2Draw - 2draw.ini
- 2Email - the location of the server folder (which contains the mailbox and Sorter) is saved in "email.ini" and "configurator.ini" in C:\Program Files\2Simple Software\2Email. Configurator settings are stored in the server folder (wherever part one is installed) in various ini files.
- 2Handwrite - HKCU\Software\VB and VBA Program Settings\2Simple Software\2Handwrite
- 2Investigate - 2investigate.ini
- 2Investigate Mac - settings.txt file in the project folder.
- 2Publish+ - 2pubplus.ini
- 2Paint A Picture - 2pap.ini
- 2Review - HKCU\Software\VB and VBA Program Settings\2Simple Software\2Review+, and C:\Program Files\2Simple Software\2Review+\2review+.ini (database location)
- 2Simple Spanish, French – options.xml
- 2Simulate – no settings file

- 2Type – HKLM\SOFTWARE\VB and VBA Program Settings\2Simple Software\2Type\Settings (Note: The latest version of 2Type (not currently available as an installation) no longer uses the registry but rather does the following: If there is a file named "DBFolder.xml" in the same folder as 2Type.exe, then the program looks inside this file to determine the location of the database. If there is no xml file found, the program automatically looks for a folder named "Data" in the same folder location as the 2Type.exe itself. For this latest version, the 2Type Report Utility nonetheless still uses the above registry setting.)
- Alphabet Soup - \Data\Program\settings.txt
- DevTray - devtray.ini (older versions stored settings in C:\Windows\devtray.ini)
- Infant Toolkit - 2count.ini, 2go.ini, 2graph.ini, 2paint.ini, 2publish.ini, 2question.ini, Files.ini. "Files.ini" refers to the default save/open location and applies to all 6 parts of the IVT. Only the latest version (v2.6) uses 7 ini files. Older versions stored settings in C:\Windows ("ivt.ini" or "2ivt.ini").
- Infant Toolkit Mac - settings are saved wherever the system stores its preferences, i.e. Mac HD:Users:[user]:Library:Preferences (OSX), Mac HD:Users:[user]:Preferences (OS9). If multiple users are disabled, it might be Mac HD:System Folder:Preferences. The preference files are named: 2paint_prefsV2, 2publish_prefsV2, 2Count_Prefs_V2, 2Go_PrefsV2, 2Question_prefsV2, graphs_prefsV2, V2PublishExitPrefs.
  Literacy Collection – no settings file
- Maths City 1, 2 – options.xml
- Maths Games 1 - 1 ini file for each of the 6 parts of the program and a 7th ini file "teacher.ini". Some settings are also stored in "2ma" files – see the user guide for more info.
- Modelling Toolkit - \Data\settings.txt
- Music Toolkit - 2mt.ini
- Photo Simple - Photosimple.ini
- Science Simulation - science.ini
- Simple City - \Data\options.xml
- Stories 2 Tell – no settings file
- Talking Stories – no settings file