DreamWeaver MX Intuitive Workspace

DreamWeaver MX now manages your desktop workspace more efficiently. It puts webpages right at your fingertips so that you can move freely between site pages. It also provides several panels from which one can access such features as built-in tutorials, Site and Asset management, source code references, and snippets. Toolbars allow one to easily inspect the source code, preview a webpage in a browser, and upload/publish to the webserver. All panels and toolbars are collapsable to give one more real estate (surface area) to work with. As in DreamWeaver 4.0, the hotkey F4 will hide all panels so that one can dedicate all most all of the real estate to the webpage that he or she is working on. The following include some of the panels and toolbars available for use in DreamWeaver MX.
Tabbed Worksheets

The DreamWeaver MX workspace now allows for tabbed worksheets just like an Excel workbook. Now you can toggle from webpage to webpage without having to open and close a new window. The worksheets are located on the bottom left-hand corner just above the Properties Panel. Simply open as many pages as needed and single-click on the tab for the worksheet/webpage that you wish to work on. In the screen capture below notice that the panels.htm document is the webpage that I am currently editing. It is highlighted in white to denote that it is the active spreadsheet/webpage.

Toolbars

The DreamWeaver MX workspace comes with two toolbars. The first, which will not be covered here, is the Main Menu Bar which offers standard pulldown menus for categories such as the File, Edit, and View menus to name a few. The second is the Document toolbar. Please see the diagram below. Use this toolbar to accomplish the following tasks:

1. Show Design View: Build your webpage using the GUI (Graphical User Interface) interface. This is the standard view when the program is opened. It opens with a blank page ready for one to build upon.
2. Show Code and Design Views: This view resembles the Reveal Codes in WordPerfect. It is a split screen that allows one to edit using the GUI interface or to edit using the HTML source code.
3. Show Code View: This view allows the user to develop and edit their webpage exclusively in HTML source code. It is also useful for troubleshooting errors that might not be readily apparent when working in Design View. Tip: If you are not familiar with HTML
source code then use the Tag Inspector in the Code panel to get a description. Alternatively, please contact me at Mary.Villanueva@mail.tamu.edu if you need assistance with troubleshooting your source code or your GUI webpage.

4. Live Data View: Gives one a visual representation of a dynamic page that is using serverside scripting languages such as Cold Fusion, ASP, or PHP.

5. Title: Type the title of the webpage here. This title should be specific to the content of the page itself. Think of it as a chapter title. Remember that browser bookmarks catalog their webpages by the title given to each page. If a page does not have a title the user will not have a reference to help him find your page from amongst the many pages he or she might have bookmarked.

6. File Management: Allows one to publish their website to the web server.

7. Preview/Debug in Browser: Use this view to get a real-world view of how your page will look and behave in your intended audiences browser.

8. Refresh: Refreshes the browser window.

9. Reference: Opens the Code Panel and describes the HTML tag that is active.

10. View Options: Use this view to turn on the document rulers and/or grids. This icon can also be used to quickly locate content, such as the page title in the document.

**Document Toolbar Diagram**

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