

PersonalBrain 4.5 – Better, Faster, and Stronger

Over 40 New Features and Options

- Increased Performance and Rock Solid Reliability
 - Features a completely reworked backend that has been optimized to be both dependable and ultra-quick. Additionally, the user interface and display have been further refined for performance so you can get what you want without delay.
 - Everything is faster and more responsive, from startup and navigation to copy and paste.
 - The new backend has been tested against drastic problems such as power failures and OS crashes so that your data is safe even under these unusual circumstances and just in case, PersonalBrain now creates an automatic back-up of your database.
- Complete Undo and Redo Support
 - Everything from creating a Thought and adding attachments to unlinking and even deleting Thoughts can be easily undone.
 - Change your mind late? PersonalBrain now supports undo of multiple commands at once or one at a time.
- Smoother Animation
 - The animation and rendering engine has been reworked so everything is smoother
 - Animation can be completely turned on by dragging the animation speed slider all the way to the left
- More Powerful Instant Activate
 - Instant activation can now be done using multiple terms such as “al re” to find the Thought “Always Ready”
 - Instant search preparation time has been eliminated
- Superior Distant Thought View
 - The distant Thought view can now be accessed by pressing the expand all button
 - Distant thoughts are easier to read with transparency effects and more efficiently arranged
- Improved Outlook Integration
 - Drag and drop multiple items at a time
 - Contacts, emails, and notes dragged from Outlook into the plex automatically create a Thought and populate its notes with relevant content.
- Notes Icons
 - New option in preferences provides a visual cue showing which Thoughts have notes
- Paste Outline
 - Create complete outlines in Excel or other third party programs and paste them into PersonalBrain using the Paste Outline command to instantly turn them into a set of connected Thoughts.
- New SiteBrain Features
 - Instant search
 - Exported SiteBrains automatically include support for instant search on starting characters of Thought names
 - Thought labels and colors are now included in SiteBrain
- More Powerful Search
 - Wildcard Searching
 - Search now supports single and multiple character wildcard searches within search terms
 - Search Preferences
 - New option for merging Thought and content results
 - New option for limiting results to one per Thought
 - Maximum size of attachments to index can be adjusted
- Timed Events and Reminders
 - Events can now have specific times associated with them
 - Events can be individually snoozed and dismissed from the reminder dialog box
- Merge Brains Command
 - Automatically merge two brains without the need for copy and paste.
- Copy and Paste Improvements
 - A progress bar shows the amount of work being done during both the copy and paste operations

- Copying Thoughts now copies events associated with the Thoughts
- Copying and pasting of links (and link types) now detects if existing links are going to be overwritten and asks if they should be overwritten or skipped
- More Powerful Reports
 - All reports can now be filtered for Thoughts created, modified, or accessed with a specific date range.
 - Reports of unlimited size are now enabled with paging so you can view up to 5,000 results at a time
 - New report: "Thoughts with Notes"
- Other New Features and Options
 - Automatic Activation of New Thoughts
 - This option is now available in the Preferences > Options > Thoughts section.
 - Context Sensitive Naming Shortcuts
 - To create a Thought that includes the name of the Thought it is being created from at the beginning, start the name with a comma. To include the source Thought's name at the end, end the name with a comma.
 - Notes images are downloaded locally
 - When notes have links to images that are online, the images are downloaded locally automatically so they will be accessible while offline or if the referenced online image is removed
 - This feature can be turned off via Preferences > Options > General > Save images from the Internet locally
 - Swap Label and Name Button
 - Located at the end of the label in the properties tab, clicking this button switches the name and label properties of a Thought. This is particularly useful when the default label and name are assigned based on a URL attachment incorrectly.
 - Privacy status can be set using the selection
 - Added a context menu option, "Refresh Icon" to re-download the icon associated with a URL attachment
 - Activate thoughts via GUID
 - Typing a GUID in to the search box and pressing enter or clicking the Search button will activate the Thought
- General Improvements
 - Imports can be cancelled while in process through the File > Import > Cancel Import command
 - Properties and attachments dialog saves column size and order settings
 - Keyboard commands for the calendar
 - Delete key removes the selected event
 - Add an option to turn off the welcome message "Welcome to TheBrain". See Preferences > Options > General > Plex > Show welcome message
 - When an external attachment cannot be found (if the file was moved or deleted), the option to select a new path for it is offered.
 - Virtual Thoughts show their path in the properties tab
- Windows Specific Improvements
 - The hot key that opens PersonalBrain when it is auto-hidden keyboard is now configurable via Preferences > Settings
 - When internal file attachments are deleted from PersonalBrain, they are placed into the recycle bin
- Mac OS Specific Improvements
 - OS 10.3 is now supported
 - The look and feel of menus and other controls has been improved
- Linux/Unix Specific Improvements
 - File type to application associations can be configured
- Localization
 - Spanish language translation complete
 - Support for additional languages is coming soon
- More than 50 bug fixes and user interface tweaks in all areas of the software