

25 Ways to Customize Sybase PowerDesigner – Miscellaneous

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This is a list of PowerDesigner customizations that apply to all model types within PowerDesigner. They are fairly generic, but give an idea of the types of things that can be done at a global PowerDesigner level. Please comment on your thoughts, additional ideas or corrections.

1. Change colors of text editor color coding
2. Change default colors for new object created
3. Add additional graphic symbols to enhance your diagrams
4. Customize context sensitive menus to object specific functionality
5. Add additional languages for reporting
6. Change the look and feel of generated HTML output
7. Change the default background color
8. Share report definitions between modelers

9. Execute script via context sensitive menu

10. Execute script for the entire model

11. Execute script via check model

12. Execute logic when generating from one model to another

13. Enhance script to fix errors

14. Import information into a model from Excel source material

15. Import information into a model from database table

16. Import information into a model from CSV text file

17. Export information from a model to an Excel spreadsheet

18. Export information from a model to a database table

19. Export information from a model to a CSV text file

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20. Design an entire new diagram via the free model including custom objects and links

21. Modify the default tabs that display for a property sheet

22. Add custom properties to objects to hold additional meta data

23. Create new tabs / forms to input additional meta data

24. Control what are errors / warnings / auto fixed by check model

25. Change default impact analysis behavior to suit your modeling environment