# FLEx Session - Collaboration

## Objectives

* To show how to do collaboration between two FieldWorks project on separate PCs.
* To show how to do collaboration between a FieldWorks lexicon and a WeSay project

## Collaboration

You can collaborate between two FieldWorks projects using the FLEx Bridge facility. You use Send/Receive Project facility to transmit and merge data with others who are working with the same language project in FieldWorks Language Explorer on separate computers.

In this training session we will do collaboration using a flash drive. You can also do collaboration using the internet or a local network drive using Chorus Hub.

Start FLEx and open Simple project.

### How to verify that you have the current FLExBridge?

* + - 1. In the Send/Receive menu, click Check for FLExBridge Updates.

The message Your current version is up to date should appear.

### How to get help information on Send/Receive using Chorus?

* + - 1. On the Help menu, click Language Explorer. Then use the Index tab to find the topic called Get Started with Send/Receive. This topic, and those linked to it, give an overview of using Chorus features from the FLEx perspective.
      2. On the Send/Receive menu, click Help. The topics in this Help system discuss Chorus without being FLEx or WeSay centric.

### How to start a Collaboration project between two computers with both of them using FieldWorks?

* + - 1. Verify that the first PC has the most recent and complete set of data for the FieldWorks project. This will be your starting point for collaboration.
      2. Open the project on first PC.
      3. Connect flash drive to USB port.
      4. On the Send/Receive menu, click Send this Project for the first time.

The Send/Receive dialog box appears. Read the instructions carefully.

* + - 1. Click OK.

The Send/Receive Project dialog box appears.

* + - 1. Add appropriate text to the Label this point in the project history textbox. Click USB Flash Drive.

Note the content of the log. When completed, click Close.

* + - 1. Move the USB flash drive from the first to the second computer.
      2. Start FieldWorks in the second PC.
      3. In the **Language Explore** dialog box, click **Open a project**. In the **Open Project** dialog box, verify that the second PC does not have a copy of the FieldWorks project. Click **Cancel**.

The **Language Explorer** dialog box appears again.

* + - 1. In the **Language Explorer** dialog box, click Get project from a colleague.

The Receive project dialog box appears.

* + - 1. Click USB Flash Drive.

The Get Project from USB Drive dialog box appears.

* + - 1. Click the desire project in the **Name** list. Then click Copy to Computer. When completed, click OK.

FLEx opens the project that you just got.

### How to collaborate between two FieldWorks projects using Send/Receive?

* + - 1. On the Send/Receive menu, click Send/Receive Project (with other FLEx users).

The Send/Receive project dialog box appears.

* + - 1. Add appropriate text to the Label this point in the project history textbox. Click USB Flash Drive.
      2. Note the content of the log. When completed, click Close.

### How to start a Collaboration project between two computers with one of them using WeSay?

In this case the collaboration will only apply to the lexicon of FieldWorks project, not to the whole project. Only one FLEx project can collaborate with WeSay projects.

* + - 1. Verify that the first PC has the most recent and complete set of lexical data for the FieldWorks project. This will be your starting point for collaboration.
      2. Open the project in FLEx on first PC.
      3. Connect flash drive to USB port.
      4. On the Send/Receive menu, click Send this Lexicon for the first time (to WeSay).

The Send/Receive dialog box appears. Read the instructions carefully.

* + - 1. Click OK.

The Send/Receive Lexicon (LIFT) dialog box appears.

* + - 1. Add appropriate text to the Label this point in the project history textbox. Click USB Flash Drive.

Note the content of the log. When completed, click Close.

* + - 1. Verify that the second PC does not have a copy of the FieldWorks project.
      2. Move the USB flash drive from the first to the second computer.
      3. Start the WeSay Configuration Tool in the second PC, but do not open an existing project.
      4. In the “First window” that appears, click Get from USB Drive.

The Get Project From USB Drive dialog box appears.

* + - 1. Select the desire project (<name>\_LIFT) in the name list. Then click Copy to Computer. When completed, click OK.

The WeSay Configuration Tool opens the project you just got.

Then you can click **Open in WeSay** to work with lexical content and use Send/Receive.

### How to collaborate between a FieldWorks project and a WeSay project using Send/Receive?

Please note that collaboration will only take place with the lexicons.

* + - 1. On the FLEx Send/Receive menu, click Send/Receive Lexicon (WeSay).

The Send/Receive Lexicon (LIFT) dialog box appears.

* + - 1. Add appropriate text to the Label this point in the project history textbox. Click USB Flash Drive.
      2. Note the content of the log. When completed, click Close.
      3. In WeSay, with the project open, click the **Home** tab.
      4. Click **Send/Receive**.

The **WeSay Send/Receive** dialog box opens.

* + - 1. Add appropriate text to the Label this point in the project history textbox. Click USB Flash Drive.
      2. Note the content of the log. When completed, click Close.