

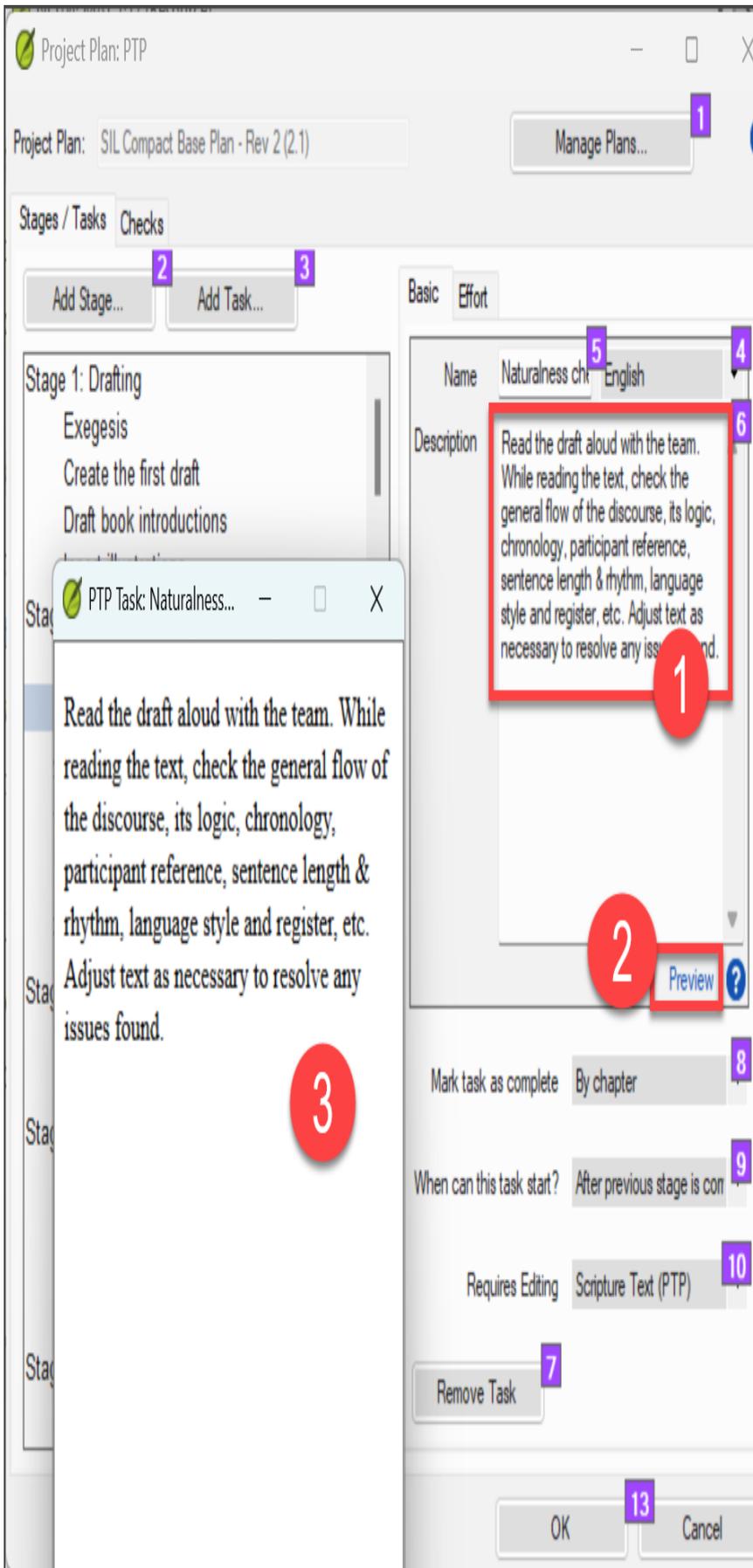
# Using Markdown Panel

## Learning task 1

### Install and configure a text editor with a viewer plugin

- What is your favorite text editor?
  - Notepad++, Visual Studio Code, ...
- Does it have a plugin or extension for Markdown?

### Using Notepad++ for Markdown



To use Notepad++ for Markdown you need to install a plugin to view the formatting. We recommend **Markdown Panel**.

### **Install the Markdown Panel in Notepad++**

1. From the **Plugins** menu, choose **Plugin Admin**
2. In the search box, type **markd**
3. Check (tick) the box beside **Markdown Panel**
4. Click **Install**

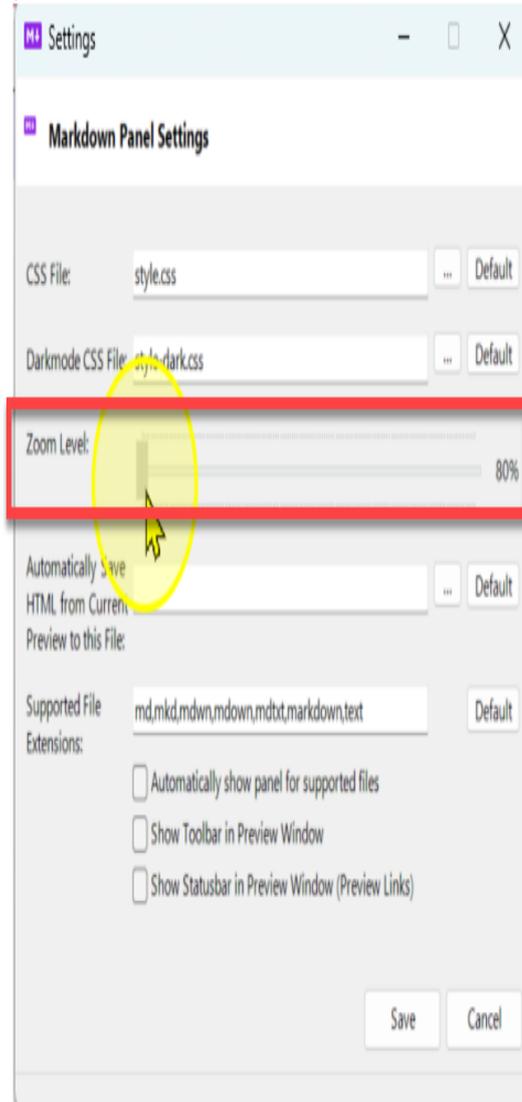
A dialog is displayed.

5. Click **Yes**
6. Wait for the operations to finish.
7. Click Notepad++ icon on the taskbar.
8. From the **Plugins** menu, choose **Toggle Markdown panel**

## Configuring the Markdown Panel

Once you have installed the plugin, you need to configure it as the default Zoom size is far too small.

1. From the **Plugins** menu, choose **MarkdownPanel**,
2. Then **Toggle Markdown Panel**
3. A message in the Panel warns that the current file is not markdown. *Ignore this for now.*
4. From the **Plugins** menu, choose **MarkdownPanel**, then **Settings**



5. Drag the Zoom level slider to **250%**
6. Check (tick) the checkbox **“Automatically show panel for supported files”**.
7. Click **Save**

## Then save the file as a markdown file

1. Click the **Save icon**
2. Choose a markdown format
3. Change the folder
4. Click **Save**
5. If you still get the error message that it is not markdown, close then reopen the panel.

**Reflect: What challenges did you encounter?**

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