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## Upcoming Webinar "What's New in Eclipse"

Keith Vincent & Wil Wilcox  
Saturday, September 13, 2025

1-5 pm Eastern, 12-4 pm Central,  
10 am - 2 pm Pacific  
7-11 am Hawaii, 6-10 pm UK

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Keith Vincent

## Eclipse Can Track Steno Drag/Drop History

A well-adjusted steno keyboard is essential. Otherwise, it may seem that keys have been dragged or dropped, even if you wrote perfectly. **Translation Magic** can understand, but Eclipse also offers a **"Drag/drop history"** to help you adjust your steno machine.

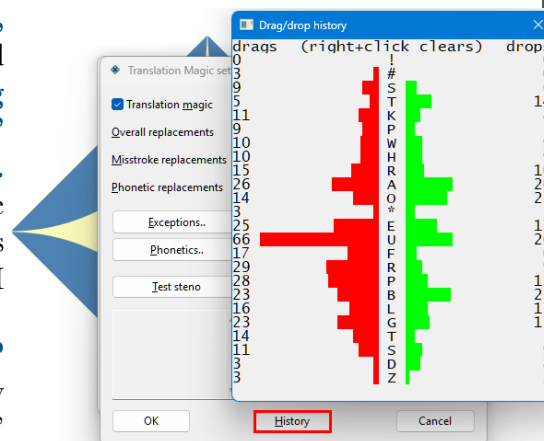
I suspected the "U" of my steno keyboard was too sensitive. I went to **User Settings, Translate, Translation Magic**, and used the **"History"** button. The **big red bar next to the "U"** showed that I drag that key. I went to my steno machine and made the "U" key less sensitive. In the next jobs that I took, I saw less errors.

**How is this possible? It's part of AutoMagic.** Say my text has **"cardiovascular"** in the color of an untranslate.

Translation Magic understood my steno, and the Info Bar at the left edge of my screen can offer **"1 cardiovascular (4)"**. Pressing the **"1"** key accepts that suggestion, then I'm asked "Add to dictionary? Main? Job?" etc. The **4** in parens means 4 steno strokes make up that word.

**You can see that Eclipse AutoMagic makes it easy to "global" without even opening the globaling dialogue. What you don't see is that using AutoMagic this way (or picking a numbered choice if you do open the globaling dialogue) teaches Eclipse what steno keys you tend to drag and drop.**

Note: Your **"Drag/drop history"** will be **empty** if you simply type over errors or type in the globaling dialogue instead of pressing the number keys to accept suggestions. Take advantage of the "magic".



## A September 13th Eclipse Webinar



It's a pleasure for me to announce that Keith has invited me to join him in presenting **a four-hour webinar on September 13th that will explore "What's New in Eclipse."**

A full "beta" installer for Eclipse Version 12 has been on the Eclipse website for a while now, and I understand V12 will soon be the official release as a last bit of quality-assurance is almost done.

**In my own reporting, I use Eclipse 12, and Keith has been using only v12 for the past year.** He recently gave a six-hour class in Florida in which he thought he would share some Version 12 info for just an hour, but there was so much to share and so much interest in the new features that he said he was still showing v12 when they broke for lunch.

I know Jeremy Thorne has taught several classes on Eclipse Version 12 from the programmer's perspective. Keith and I will be sharing from a reporter's perspective, which should make a nice complement to what Jeremy has presented.

**This class does not offer a full 30 CEU like the VirtuCon 7 planned for 2026, but it will offer valuable insights and also .4 CEUs for those who need them.**

**Class Date: Saturday, September 13, 2025**

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**To register, contact Keith Vincent** at 4kvincent@gmail.com or call 281-908-4777.

## Eclipse Proofreader Update

When the Automated Proofreader was introduced in Eclipse Version 9, I created over 300 "rules" to highlight potential problems that are not necessarily spelling errors. Unlike Grammarly or MS Word's grammar checker, these rules are not designed to improve your writing style; they're looking for problems that can occur as we report the spoken word. For example, "I am go" can result from not catching the final -G in a steno stroke.

What's more, **the Eclipse Proofreader even works in realtime translation and is completely customizable.** For instance, I have several "Missing lockspace" rules that suggest you might want to keep a word like "Sheriff" on the same line as the name that follows. If that's not something that concerns you, you can delete such a line and the proofreader will then ignore such issues.

**About a year ago, I added at least 90 rules,** inspired by suggestions from Shyloa Myers. I'm not sure that these ever got shared with anyone else, so I'll make them **available at the e-Tips page of KVincent.com. They can be used with Eclipse 9, 10, 11, and 12.**

Before you import these rules, please back up your user settings. Then open the file "Proofreader Updates.txt" and press Ctrl+A to select all the rules. Press Ctrl+C to copy the rules. After this, open Eclipse User Settings, Programming, Proofreading rules. Make an empty line at the top of the list, press Ctrl+V to paste in the rules, then click OK.

**Suggestions for new proofreading rules are most welcome!** Send them to 4kvincent@gmail.com.

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