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Reporter and Scopist Dictionary Exchange

In any webinar, questions get asked and I do my best to answer them, although it can mean that some agenda items fall by the wayside in the interest of being responsive to the audience at hand. That was certainly the case in my January 28th webinar, “Become an Eclipse Scoping Ninja.” One of the points I would have wanted to cover concerned how an Eclipse reporter and a scopist can exchange dictionaries so that the reporter’s dictionary will produce better translation results.

I assume that after scoping a transcript, many a scopist will send back both the text and an updated job dictionary. This helps the reporter to obtain better translation for a subsequent job that might occur in the same matter; but what about entries that should enrich the reporter’s **main** dictionary, especially conflict entries?

Let’s say you’re a reporter who uses Eclipse and relies on a scopist to edit transcripts. **When the scopist makes conflict choices, how do these get added to the reporter’s main dictionary to improve future transcripts?** This is shown in two short movies in the dictionary section of Eclipse Visualizers, but it’s worth an e-Tip. These Visualizers have been available for several years, so the dialogues will have changed a bit, but the basic process has not changed.

In the “Translate” section of User Settings, the reporter puts a check in the box for **“Make edit station info.”** (Before Version 10, this option was found on the “Translate Notes” dialogue.) Eclipse will make sure that the job dictionary contains a copy of each conflict that translates. **The reporter sends this job dictionary** to the scopist so the original conflict choices will be available on the scopist’s computer.

The Eclipse **scopist should have each reporter set up as a separate user. That creates a main dictionary for each which**

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ChatGPT



Artificial intelligence will transform human civilization. It will present challenges, but it will also offer amazing opportunities.

The **ChatGPT AI Chatbot** is a startling new technology that will take its place next to the Blackberry, iPhone, VR headsets, AOL, Google — or if you are old enough, television. It provokes a mind-blowing “wow” and illuminates the beginning of a new future.

Microsoft’s search engine, Bing, directly utilizes ChatGPT and may take much of Google’s search business. Google is running scared. Join the waiting list to try the new ChatGPT powered Bing search at www.bing.com or Log into ChatGPT at <https://chat.openai.com/auth/login> and try it out now. I put a shortcut to the ChatGPT login on the toolbar of my web browser and am constantly using it. ChatGPT can even compose responses to emails for you through a Google Chrome Plug-in called ChatGPT Writer. I’m saving so much time now when responding to attorneys and agencies this way. The emails look very professional, as if I spent a lot of time on them instead of just a few seconds.

I was thinking about ChatGPT for this e-Tip and how to explain how this chatbot can be a useful reference tool while transcribing legal proceedings. So, **I decided to also hit up the ChatBot with the simple question of how transcribers can utilize ChatGPT as a reference tool** and moments later got back a very useful and informative reply. Here’s the answer I got:

“Transcribers can utilize ChatGPT as a reference tool in a number of ways:”

“1. Natural Language Processing: ChatGPT is specifically designed for natural language processing and can understand and respond to more complex language queries. This makes it better suited for legal terminology, case citations, and law firm names and addresses.”

“2. Contextual Understanding: ChatGPT can understand the context of a query and provide more accurate results based on that context. For example, it can distinguish between different meanings of a single word in a legal context and provide relevant results.”



“3. Spellings and Definitions: ChatGPT can help transcribers with spellings and definitions of legal terminologies, case names, and other relevant terms. By inputting the term into ChatGPT, transcribers can receive instant results with accurate spellings and definitions.”

“4. Case Citations: ChatGPT can assist transcribers in finding the correct case citation for a particular case. It can search through a database of case law and provide the correct citation, making the transcription process more efficient and accurate.”

“5. Law Firm Names and Addresses: Law firm names and addresses can be difficult to spell, especially if they are long or have unusual spellings. ChatGPT can be used to research the correct spelling and address of a law firm, ensuring that the transcript is accurate and professional.”

“6. Legal Documents and Articles: ChatGPT can help transcribers find relevant legal documents or articles that may be useful in the transcription process. This can save time and improve the overall accuracy of the transcript.”

“It is important to note that while ChatGPT can be a useful reference tool, it should not be solely relied upon. Transcribers should always double-check their results and use their own judgment to ensure accuracy. Additionally, ChatGPT may not have access to all legal documents or information, so it is important to also use other reliable sources as necessary.”

I also asked ChatGPT about the future of court reporters, and here is the answer:

“While speech-to-text technology has advanced significantly in recent years, it is unlikely that it will completely replace stenographers in courts any time soon.”

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can start off empty. If the scopist makes a choice that implies a new conflict resolution rule, the info will be added to the scopist's main dictionary. Thus, \street\Street may have known 25 rules, but in the scopist's main dictionary it now knows 26 rules.

After editing, the scopist sends several files to the reporter -- the text file, the job dictionary, and also the scopist's "main" dictionary. The scopist's main dictionary could then be deleted so that it again starts off empty.

After getting the scopist's "main" dictionary, the reporter can open it and examine it, perhaps deleting some entries. **The reporter can then open her/his**

own main dictionary and use "Block Read" to merge in the entries from the scopist's dictionary; and for any conflicts, Eclipse will merge the rules that are contained in the two dictionaries. The next time that \street\Street occurs, Eclipse would use rules learned from both the reporter and the scopist.

Want Visualizers? Press F1 and search for "Working with a Scopist." Then use the Visualizer icon on that page of the Help system. You can also find the movies listed in the "Dictionaries" section of the Visualizer Topics Menu

If you missed the "Eclipse Scoping Ninja" webinar, the recording is now available at the "Available Webinars" page of EclipseWebinars.com.

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"Stenographers are highly trained professionals who can transcribe spoken words at an extremely fast pace, using shorthand and specialized equipment. They are also able to clarify and ask for repetition when necessary, ensuring accuracy and completeness of the record."

"Speech-to-text technology, on the other hand, relies on artificial intelligence and machine learning algorithms to transcribe spoken words into text. While the accuracy of these systems has improved, they are still prone to

errors and can struggle with certain accents, dialects, and background noise.

"Moreover, court proceedings often involve legal jargon, technical terms, and complex sentences that can be difficult for a machine to accurately transcribe. Stenographers are familiar with this specialized language and can provide context to ensure that the record is accurate and complete."

"Therefore, while speech-to-text technology may assist stenographers in their work, it is unlikely that it will replace them entirely in the foreseeable future."

2023 Eclipse Virtual Retreat – March 6–13

For more than a week beginning March 6th, several great webinars will be available as part of the Eclipse Virtual Retreat.

Details and registration are available at EclipseCat.com, but here's a quick list for your convenience:

- Mar. 6, 13 - Eclipse Intermediate - Julie Samford
- Mar. 7, 9 - Dial it Up to Eclipse Version 11 - Ashli Van Dyke

Mar. 8 - Stop the BS: Boundaries and Stacking - Anissa Nierenberger

Mar. 10, 11 - Eclipse 11 Macro System: Writing Plugins using Python - Jeremy Thorne

Mar. 11 - Maximize Accuracy and Productivity with Eclipse - Wil Wilcox

Mar. 14 - EclipseVox Housekeeping 101 - Jennifer Thompson

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