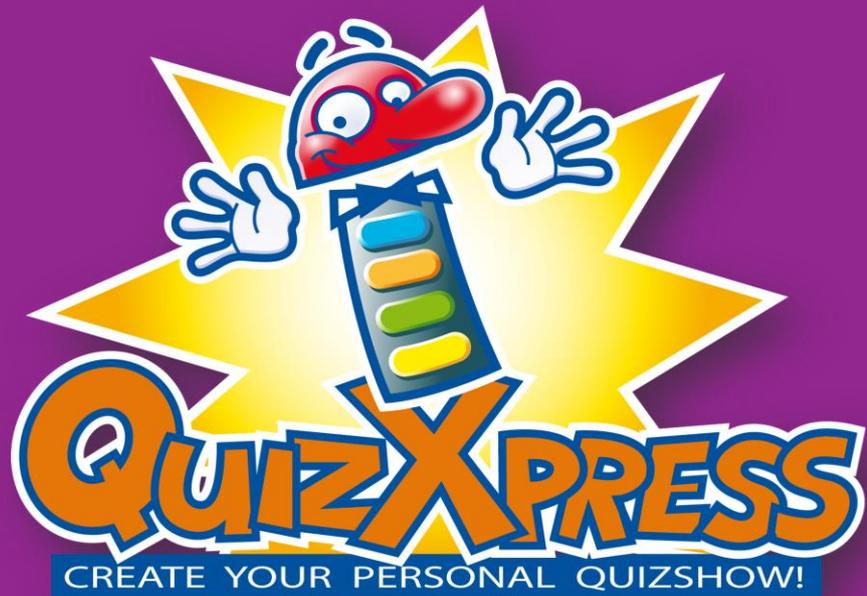


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# QuizXpress 6.5

Quick start guide



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Thank you for purchasing QuizXpress! This quick start guide will provide you with some tips to get you started quickly into the world of QuizXpress. Please note that an extensive user manual comes along with the QuizXpress installation.

### Software installation

The first step is to install the latest version of QuizXpress from our website (the link is in the email with the activation code). After installation, please enter the activation key provided. QuizXpress consists of several applications. Depending on your version of windows these programs are listed in:

- Windows 7 (SP1) - 'Start menu' under the QuizXpress section
- Windows 8 - On the Start (\tiles) screen. In order to toggle between the desktop and Start screen press the 'Windows' key on your keyboard,
- Windows 8.1 - In the 'Apps' view. You can show the apps view by going to the Start screen first. In the lower left part of the screen there is a 'down arrow'. If you press this the screen with all installed applications will be shown.
- Windows 10 – 'Start menu' under the QuizXpress section. A shortcut to QuizXpress Studio is present on the desktop.

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*Tip: In Windows 8\8.1\10, if you right click on a QuizXpress (or any other) application you can pin it to the windows taskbar by selecting 'Pin to taskbar'. This way it is easily accessible from the windows desktop*

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QuizXpress consists of the following applications:

- **QuizXpress Studio** - The quiz design application. This is where you create your quizzes
- **QuizXpress Live!** - The quiz player. Quizzes created in QuizXpress Studio are played in the quiz player during your quiz event.
- **QuizXpress Setup** – In this application global quiz show settings can be configured.
- **QuizXpress Keypad Programmer** – The keypad programmer is used to couple keypads or buzzers to a receiver. Used for extending your set with keypads\buzzers or renumbering existing keypads.
- **QuizXpress Buzzer Test** – A test program to see if your receiver connects successfully and keypad\buzzer commands are received successfully.
- **QuizXpress Virtual Keypad** – A 'virtual version' of the QuizXpress keypad that you can use for testing. It can be run locally or on another computer on the same network.

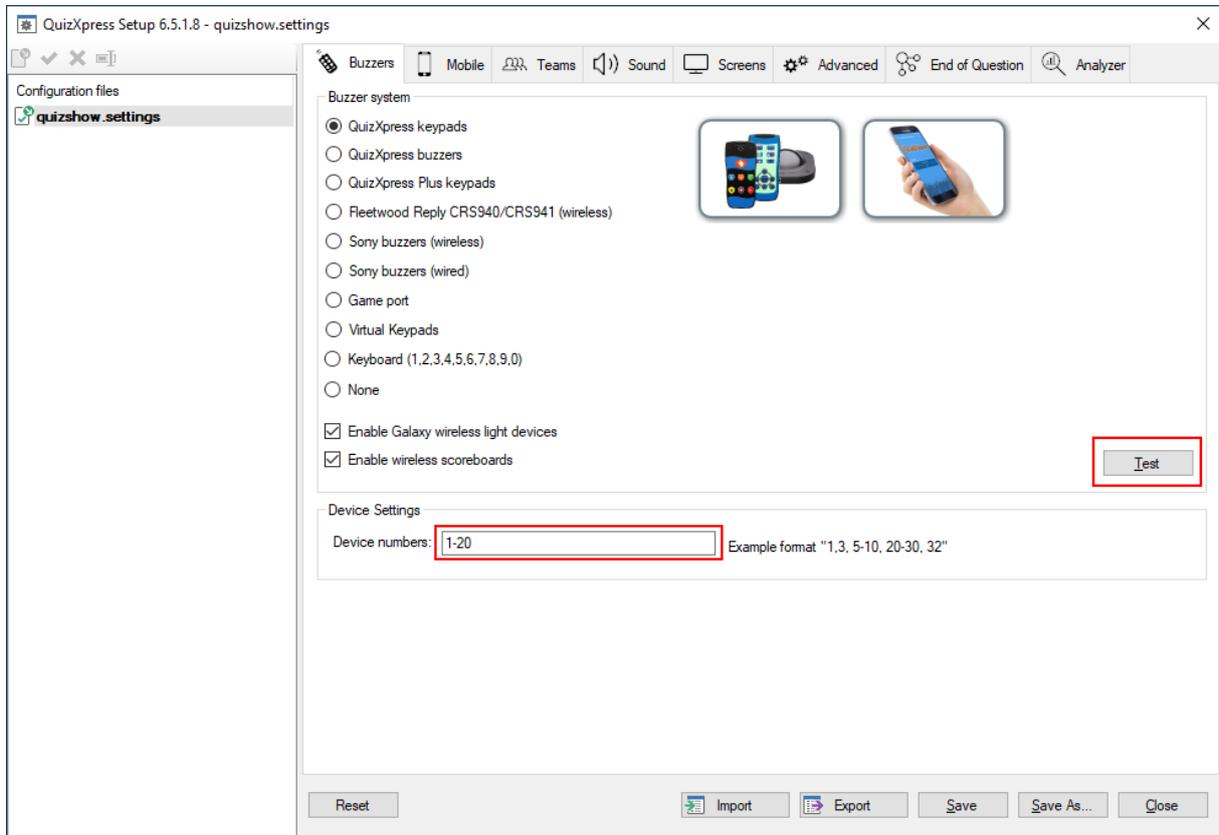
### Hardware installation

To install the QuizXpress receiver plug it in any available USB port. Windows will now install the receiver automatically on first usage. You will see the following messages in the windows taskbar.



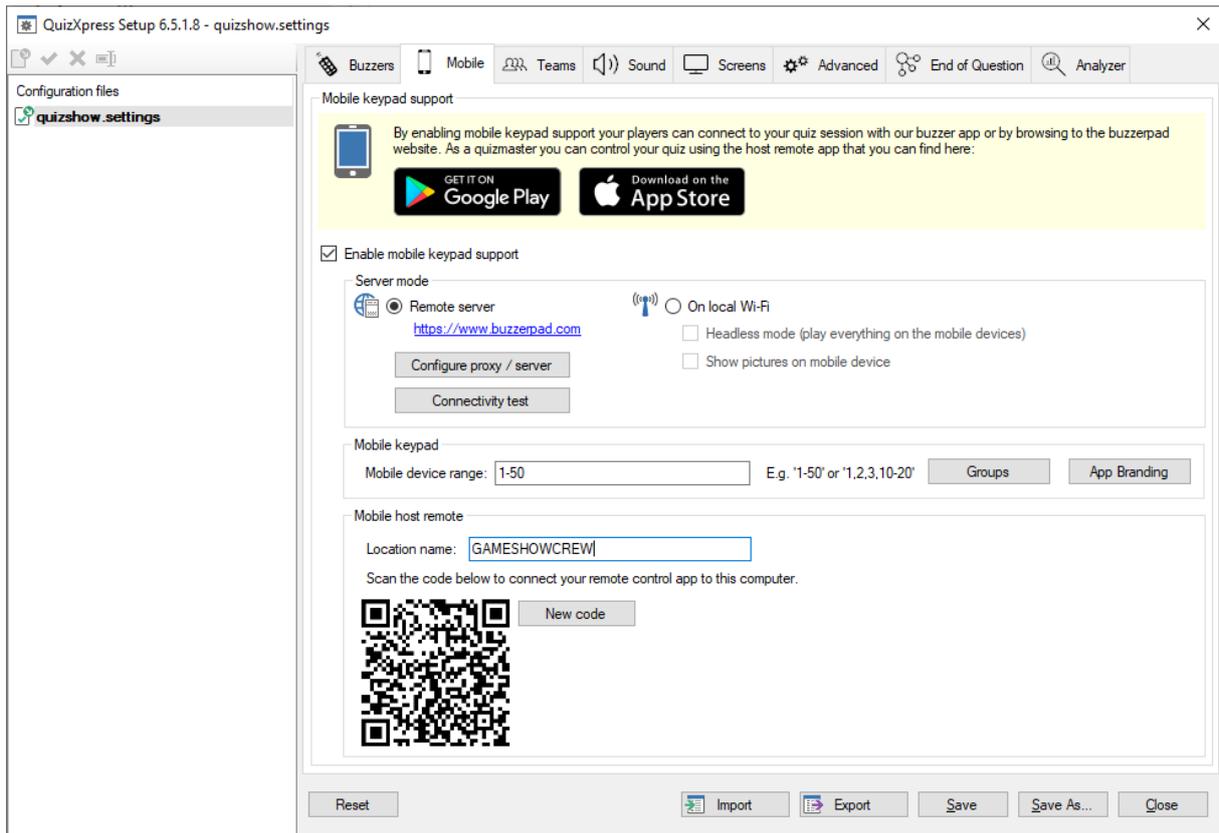
## Setting up QuizXpress for first usage

To configure QuizXpress for first usage start QuizXpress Setup and configure the keypad\buzzer system used:



Please select the keypad system you own, and the keypad range you are going to use. By pressing the 'Test' button you can check whether your receiver (which needs to be attached to the computer) is installed successfully. If installed successfully, a green checkmark will appear next to the button.

If you purchased a QuizXpress Mobile license, go to the mobile tab and put a check before 'Enable mobile keypad support'.



Now go to the 'Advanced' tab. Some changes which are typically changed are the following:

Show the quizmaster menu after 5 seconds

Shows a menu between questions with all options. This is for novice users. Turn this off for an actual quiz show, as you don't want the audience to see this.

Show top three teams using the spacebar on end score screen

Shows the top 3 players\teams by pressing space in the order 3,2,1. Turn this on to build more suspense.

Enable QuizXpress Director (requires screen mode 'Windowed')

Shows QuizXpress Director, the control panel for a quiz show, on the computer screen.

Fullscreen slides

Turn on to shows slides full screen. This causes the background of a slide to be shown fullscreen while the question and answers are centered to prevent overlap with the top panel with the clock.

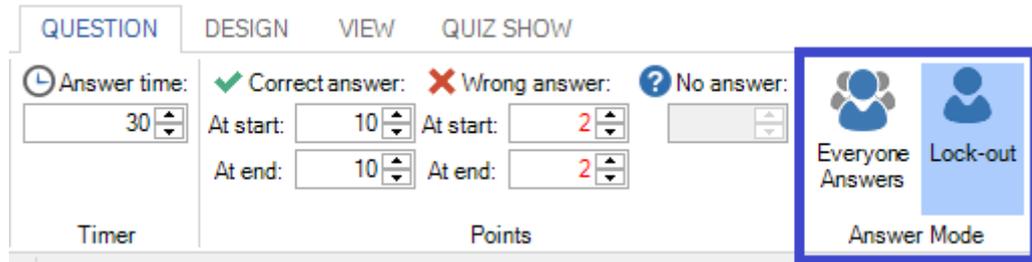
## QuizXpress Studio

QuizXpress Studio is the part of QuizXpress where quizzes are created. Quizzes are stored to your computers disk and have file extension: .qx .

This section provides some shortcuts to things which are good to know.

## How do I create a fastest finger question ?

When you click on the QUESTION menu, you can choose whether a question is of type 'Lock-out' (fastest finger) or if everyone can answer a question.



## How do I create a new question?

Click on the INSERT menu and choose one of the various layouts (including only a question, a question with two or more answers, a question with a picture etc. etc.)



## How do I enter the question and the answers?

To enter the text for a question or answer just click on it and start typing.

## How do I set the correct answer of a question ?

Just right click the correct answer and click 'Set Correct Answer'.

## How do I give a specific style to a question?

In order to use one of the predefined styles for various subjects, click on the DESIGN menu and choose one of the designs. You can also click on the question or any of the answers to change any aspects of their visuals like colour, font etc.



## How do I create a question that has no interaction with the public but just shows information (in the form of text, video, or audio)?

QuizXpress supports various question types of which one is 'Billboard'. This type of question just displays a slide without user interaction, no countdown clock is shown. To set the type of question, click on the QUESTION menu and click on the 'Question type' button to select a question type.

### Where can I find the User Manual?

In QuizXpress Studio, just press F1 (or click on the START tab and then on Info on the left hand side) and then click on the 'Help' button

### How can I move my license to another computer?

In order to move your license to another computer, just press F1 (or click on the START tab and then on Info on the left-hand side) and then click on the 'Deactivate\Move' button. QuizXpress will now be deactivated, and the license key can be used on another computer.

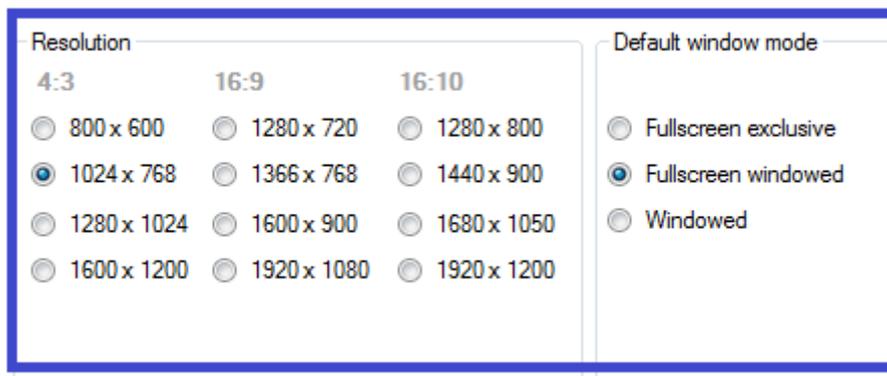
### Starting a Quiz: QuizXpress Live!

Once you finished your quiz, QuizXpress Live! takes care for playing it. It uses the settings as configured in QuizXpress Setup.

### Beamers and screens

If you hook up an external device to your computer like a beamer or an LED screen, please make sure to first configure its resolution in QuizXpress Setup. Please open QuizXpress Setup and go to the 'Advanced' tab. Here you can choose the resolution of the external screen.

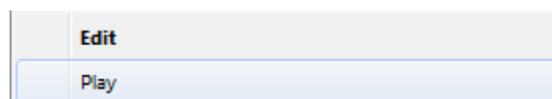
We recommend leaving 'Fullscreen windowed' as the Default window mode.



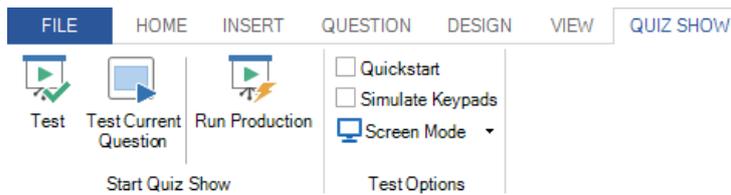
### How to start a quiz

A quiz can be started a couple of ways:

- 1) Start QuizXpress Live! from the windows start menu. You can choose a quiz file (file extension: .qx) to start from your computer.
- 2) Select a quiz file in windows explorer. When you right click you can choose to play the quiz. Alternatively, you can edit the quiz, in which case the quiz opens in QuizXpress Studio.



- 3) When you have a quiz open in QuizXpress Studio, Click on the QUIZ SHOW menu. By clicking **Run Production**, you run the quiz show.

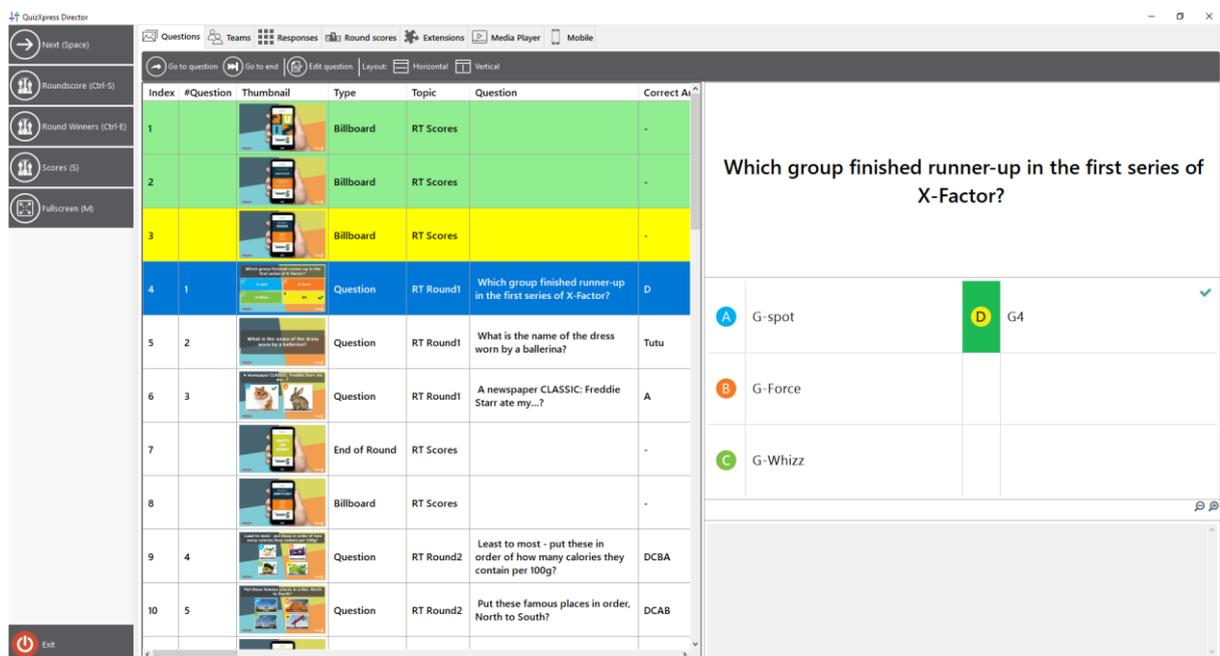


## QuizXpress director

QuizXpress Director is the part of QuizXpress Live! that can be used to control the quiz. It is shown on the first screen in a dual screen configuration (for example on the laptop screen when a beamer is connected to the computer).

QuizXpress Director can be started by pressing 'D' when a quiz show is running. It can also be started automatically when a quiz is started by setting the 'Enable QuizXpress Director' setting in QuizXpress Setup as outlined earlier in this guide.

Some highlights of QuizXpress Director are listed below.



### Questions tab

The Questions tab shows all questions including the correct answers and notes. Already visited answers are highlighted green, the current question is highlighted yellow.

### Teams tab

On the teams tab teams can be Enabled\Disabled and points can be modified.

### Responses tab

The responses tab shows the choices made for all active keypads

### Extensions tab

Mini games are configured and started from the Extensions tab. Note: a mini game can only be started *in between* questions.

### **Media player tab**

When you want to play a sound fragment or video during a quiz that is not part of the quiz itself this can be done from the Media player tab.

### **Mobile tab**

This section contains various controls, options and views that can help you when running quizzes with mobile devices.

If you have any further questions, please contact us at [info@gameshowcrew.com](mailto:info@gameshowcrew.com).

We invite you to participate on the *QuizXpress Community Forum* that you can find here:  
<https://forum.quizxpress.com/>

## Have fun with QuizXpress!