FrameMaker 7 For Macintosh And Windows (Visual QuickStart Guide)
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To be fair, I'm only halfway through this book at the moment, but I can't really say that I've "learned" anything more than I would have just playing around with the program on my own and using the online help. It doesn't seem to me that there was much thought put into a logical progression from one section to another, building certain skills off of previously-learned skills. Just about every section has a "see page xxx" reference on it, and most of those refer to pages much later in the book. So if you are actually trying to teach yourself, you are constantly skipping forward to
successive lessons. In trying to learn tools on page 13, I have to skip forward to page 190. The lessons are just very haphazardly arranged. Also, there are several errors, saying "circle" when the illustration shows a square, typos, bitmapped illustrations. For example, in the lesson on deleting pages, one screen capture shows the author wanting to delete page 255. In the next screen capture, the Framemaker popup window is showing "Deletion of page 256 cannot be undone. OK to continue?" Mostly just boneheaded little things like that, but I would expect more. Like I say in the subject line, this may be better for a quick reference, not so much for actually trying to become competent and confident using FrameMaker. Maybe get this book to introduce yourself to the absolute (and I mean ABSOLUTE) basics, then get another book to actually put those skills to use.

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