

Test Creation in QuickTest Professional Using Keyword Driven Methodology

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All About?

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- # It is a Test Creation Methodology
- # Involves Selection of Keywords
- # Keywords Indicate Operations to be Performed
- # Meant for Structured Test Creation
- # Structured Tests Easy to Update & Maintain

Keyword Driven Methodology:

Suitable for Which Type of Companies?

Having Technically Expert Users:

For Maintaining Resource Frameworks

Having Less Technically Proficient Users:

For Design & Maintenance of Automated Test Steps

Objective: Clear Division of Automation Tasks

Where do the Keywords Come From?

First Source is:

Built-in Keywords from QuickTest Professional itself

Second Source is:

Our Own User Defined Keywords

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Desired Resources Like:

- Shared Object Repositories
- **Function Libraries**
- Recovery Scenarios

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Desired Infrastructure

- Persons with Thorough Knowledge of Application
- Expertise of QuickTest Professional Software

Seven Steps to Implement

Keyword Driven Methodology

In QuickTest Professional

Step 1:

Analyzing the Application to find out the Testing Needs:

- # Find out the Application's Development **Environment : Like Web, Java or .NET**
- **# Load the Desired QTP Add-ins**
- Find out the Business Processes and Functionality we want to Test

Step 2:

Setting up the Object Repositories:

Decide how to Divide our Actions

Build Resources to be used by our Tests:

The most widely used Resource is the Shared **Object Repository**

Step 3:

Creation of Function Libraries:

- # Creation of function libraries containing Functions which Extend QTP Functionality
- # Use these keywords to Build Keyword-Driven Tests

Step 4:

Configuration of QTP according to the Testing Needs:

Setting up of Preferences Like:

Global Testing Preferences

Run Session Preferences

Any Test-Specific Preferences

Creation of Recovery Scenarios to Instruct QTP how to Proceed when a Step Fails Contd....

Step 4:

Configuration of QTP according to the Testing Needs:

Configuration of QTP window to Easily Access Panes like:

The Test Flow Pane

The Resources Pane

The Available Keywords Pane.

Step 5:

Building of the Tests:

- # Construction of the Tests by Inserting Calls to the **Relevant Actions from the Tests**
- # Creation of one or more Empty Tests and Addition of Actions to them
- # Association of the Object Repositories with the **Relevant Actions**

Step 5:

Building of the Tests:

Association of the Function Libraries and Recovery Scenarios with the Relevant Tests, so that Steps can be Inserted Using Keywords

Configuration of Test Preferences

Step 6:

Addition of Steps to the Test Actions:

- # Addition of steps which use the Keywords Created in Previous Steps
- # Enhancement of Tests by Inserting Checkpoints and Output Values: Objective - To verify that the Application is **Behaving According to Expectations**
- # Addition of Programmatic Statements to Enhance the Tests Further

Step 7:

Running, Analyzing and Troubleshooting the Tests:

When the Tests are Ready:

We run them

View the Run Results

Troubleshoot the tests, as needed

Advantages of

Keyword Driven Testing

In QuickTest Professional

Enables Test Design at a Business Level Rather than at Object Level; For Example QTP Recognizes a Single Option Selection in the application as many steps Like:

Click on a Button Object

Mouse Operation on a List Object

Keyboard Operation on a list sub-item

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Helps in Creating one Function to Represent All Such Lower - Level Operations in a Single, Business - Level Keyword

- # Tests are Easier to Read and Easier to Maintain due to use of Technical Operations, like Synchronization Statement which Waits for Client-Server Communications to Finish, into Higher Level **Keywords**
- Leads to a more Efficient Separation between **Resource Maintenance and Test Maintenance**

- # Enables Automation Experts to Focus on Maintaining Objects And Functions while Application Testers Focus on Maintaining The Test Structure and Design
- **Avoids Local Object Repositories having Copies of** the Same Objects in Many Cases

- # Creation of Test with Little Preparation or Planning
- # Easier to Create Tests Quickly, since QTP enters the Correct Objects, Methods, and Argument values for us

Results in well-planned and better-structured tests, which also results in easier long-term maintenance: What is the Reason for this?

We select from Existing Objects and Operation **Keywords needing Familiarity with Object** Repositories and Available Function Libraries

We need to have a good idea of what we want our Test to look like before we begin inserting steps

- **Enables Addition of Objects and Functions based on** Detailed Product Specifications even before a Feature has been added to the Product
- **Enables to Begin to Develop Tests for a New Product or Feature Earlier in the Development Cycle**

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