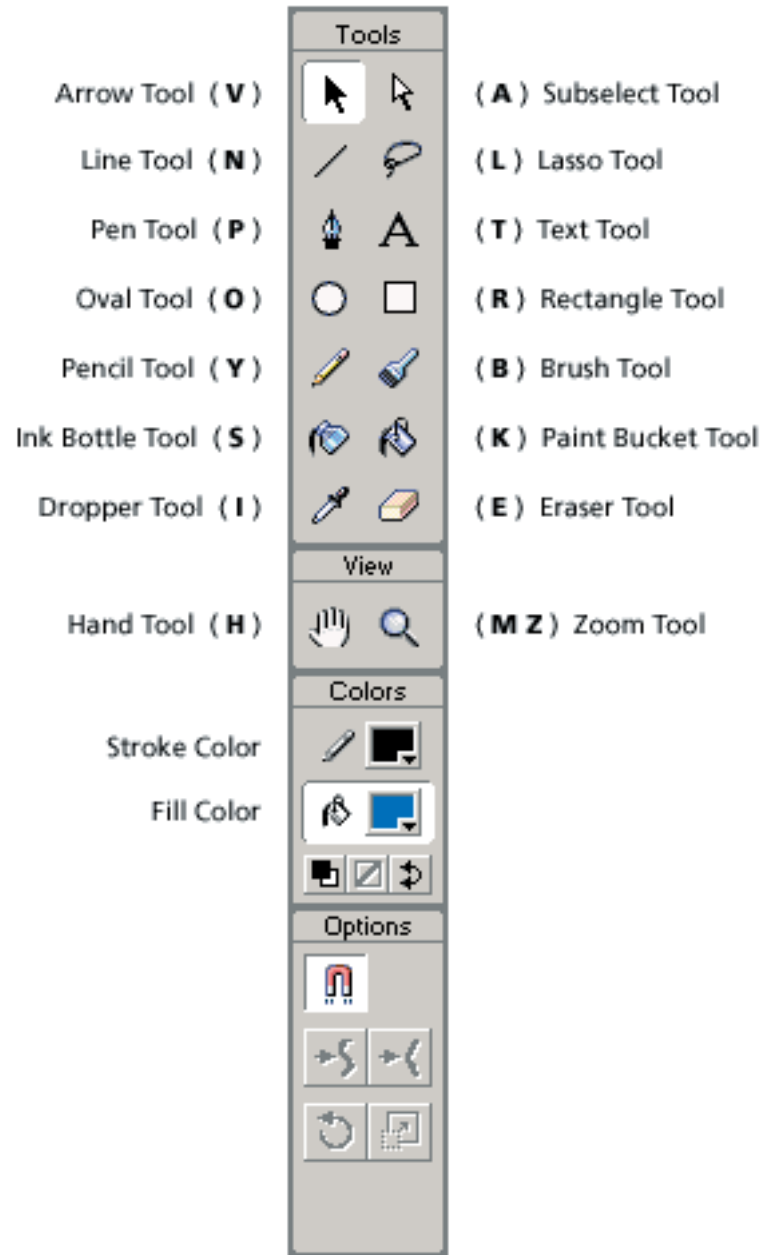


Flash 5

ActionScript



Getting Started

ActionScript is managed through the Actions Panel (select Window > Actions or press Ctrl+Alt+A). The Actions (built-in commands in the ActionScript language) Panel has two different modes, Normal and Expert, that determine how you work in the panel. You can switch between the modes by clicking on the Options widget and toggling between them.

Normal mode displays an area at the bottom of the panel called the Parameters Area. This is where necessary information is completed to have ActionScript statements completed for you. Expert mode allows you to enter statements directly into the script window, without being prompted for any information. Both modes can utilize the left side of the panel, which has an organized library of actions. They can be double-clicked or drag-and-dropped onto the script window for use.

Please note, Keyframes and Symbols can have actions placed directly on them, so not all ActionScript is visible on the timeline (Keyframes containing ActionScript will show a lower-case 'a' in them). You will have to click on Symbols in order to display their ActionScript in the Actions Panel, meaning you will have to keep mental note or preferably have interactivity mapped on paper to keep track of how Actions are working and where.