Changing the Resolution

For most computer users the size at which items are displayed on the screen is a crucial issue: if items are too small this can make them hard to read and lead to eye strain; too large and you have to spend a lot of time scrolling around to see everything.

The size of items on the screen is controlled by the screen's resolution, i.e. the number of colored dots displayed in an area of the screen. The higher the resolution the smaller the items on the screen, the lower the resolution the larger the items. To change the screen resolution:

1. Click on this button in the System Preferences folder
2. Click on the Display tab
3. Click on the Best for built-in display button to let your Mac select the most appropriate resolution
4. Drag this slider to change the screen brightness. Check on the box to have this done automatically
5. Click on the Scaled button and select a resolution setting to change the overall screen resolution
6. Click on the Color tab to select options for using different color profiles and also calibrating your monitor

Don’t forget
A higher resolution makes items appear sharper on the screen, even though they appear physically smaller.