

Highline College

Busn 216: Computer Applications for Business

M365 Video #06: Letterhead, Save As Template, Business Letter

1. Create Word Document in Windows Explorer:

- i. Right-click on right side of Windows Explorer, then click on New, then click on Microsoft Word Document

2. Identifies organization or individual with Logo, address, e-mail, and phone

- i. We can create a letterhead and save it as a Template and use it over and over.

3. To see the options for Character Level Formatting, open the Font Dialog Box in three ways:

- i. Dialog Launcher in Font group in Home Ribbon Tab
- ii. Keyboard for Font Dialog box = Ctrl + D, or Ctrl + Shift + F

4. To see the options for Paragraph Level Formatting, open the Paragraph Dialog Box in two ways:

- i. Dialog Launcher in Paragraph group in Home Ribbon Tab
- ii. Right-click anywhere in paragraph and point to Paragraph

5. Line Spacing is a Paragraph Level Formatting

- i. We can change Line Spacing:
 - a. Paragraph group in Home Ribbon Tab
 - b. Right-click paragraph and point to Paragraph
 - c. If we want to apply a Style, we can use the built-in Style “No Spacing” (Styles group in Home Ribbon Tab)
 - d. 1-point equals about 1/72 of an inch

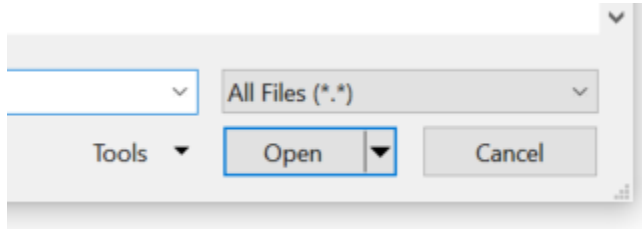
6. Border as a is a Paragraph Level Formatting

- i. Border button is in Paragraph group in Home Ribbon Tab

7. Save As Template (.doxt)

- i. When you save as Template it creates a document with the file extension “.doxt”
 - a. The advantage of the template file extension is that when you open it each time, it will
- ii. open as a new Un-Saved document. This way you can keep the original and rename the
- iii. new file each time with a new name.
 - b. If you need to edit the template, you can:
 - c. Open Word
 - d. Go to File, then to Open, then click on Browse
 - e. Then in the lower right-hand corner of the Open dialog box, use the Open File

- iv. Filter drop-down to show all files. See this picture:



8. Tabs

- i. Use Tab key on keyboard to insert a tab into the document
- ii. The default for the Tab key is 0.5 inches
- iii. Tabs are a Paragraph Level Formatting
- iv. We can set tabs using:
 - a. Horizontal Ruler (if you do not see your ruler, go to the View Ribbon Tab and in the Show group, check "Ruler".
 - b. Tab Dialog Box
 - c. Keyboard for Tab Dialog Box = Alt, O, T
- v. Every time you hit Enter, the Tab settings carry forward with the non-printing paragraph mark
- vi. Tabs are markers on the horizontal ruler that tells Word where to position the insertion point when you hit the Tab key.
- vii. Tab Stop Alignment as seen in Tabs Dialog Box:
 - a) Left
 - b) Center
 - c) Right
 - d) Decimal (line decimals up)
 - e) Bar (inserts bar – Not a real tab – usually set a tab immediately after the bar tab)
- viii. To learn more about Tabs, see this video:
[Office 2013 Class #14: Word Set Tabs: Left, Center, Right, Decimal, Bar, Leader, and the Ruler](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YIfmXMw-KIE)
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9. Insert Date:

- i. Insert Ribbon Tab, Text group, Date
- ii. Insert Date = Alt, I, T or Alt, N, D

10. Guidelines For Business Letters:

- i. Letterhead
 - a. Identifies organization or individual
- ii. Date Line
 - a. Month, Day, Year
 - b. Place 2 – 6 lines below letterhead
- iii. Inside Address
 - a. Courtesy title + full name
 - i. Example "Professor Sue Chin" for PhD teacher at a university

- b. Business affiliation
 - c. Full Address
 - d. Place 3 – 8 lines below date line
 - iv. Greetings (Salutation)
 - a. Place 2 lines below address
 - b. After salutation:
 - i. For business letter use a colon “:”
 - ii. Personal, use a comma “,”
 - v. Message
 - a. Place 2 lines below salutation
 - b. Line spacing: Single
 - c. Paragraph spacing: double
 - vi. Closing (Complimentary close)
 - a. Place 2 lines below the message text
 - b. Capitalize only the first word in the complimentary close
 - vii. Signature Block
 - a. Place 5 lines below message text (allow room to sign)

11. Paste Special: “Keep Text Only”

New Keyboard Shortcut:

1. Keyboard for Font Dialog box = Ctrl + D, or Ctrl + Shift + F
2. Insert Date = Alt, I, T or Alt, N, D
3. Tabs Dialog Box = Alt, O, T

Keyboards not seen in video, but may be useful:

4. Remove Paragraph Level Formatting = Ctrl + Q
5. Remove Character Level Formatting = Ctrl + Spacebar