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INTRODUCTION

These notes and exercises are aimed at those who already know how to use Excel 2010 but would like to further their knowledge of the application.

Knowledge assumed

you will have either attended the Excel 2010 Getting Started training course, or have experience of using Excel at a basic level, including using simple functions

Areas covered

formatting worksheets (including conditional formatting)
linking worksheets
using named ranges
importing data from other applications
using templates



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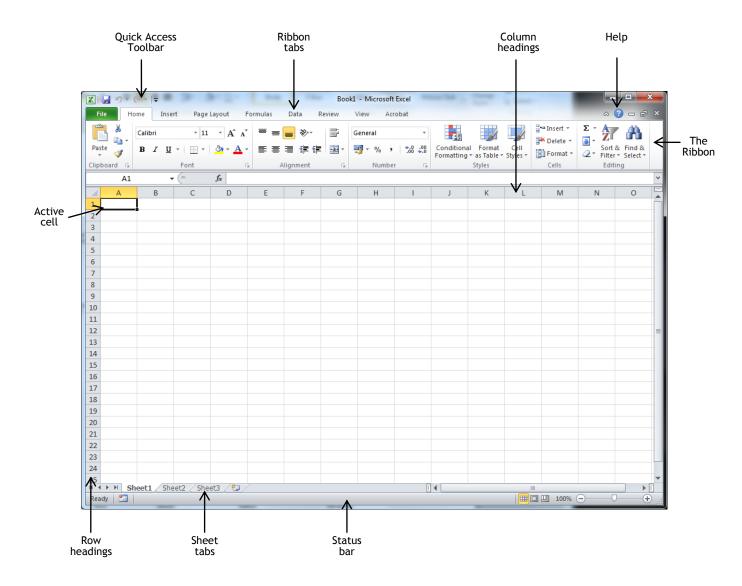
GETTING STARTED

The exercises in this training session continue from the Excel Getting Started course. The scenario for the previous course called for the delegates to create a workbook that organised the payroll of a small company.

In this course you will modify the workbook and use several worksheets to organise the payroll into months. In addition you will create a summary sheet using figures from the other sheets. You will have the opportunity to revise some of the functions that are included in the introductory course, before looking at a few new ones.

If you are attending a course in the IT Training Room the necessary files have been created for you to work with. For self-study you need to download the files from the intranet or email itskills@dmu.ac.uk to request a copy. Alternatively, create the worksheet shown on page 4. This will allow you to complete most of the exercises.

Open Excel 2010



If you are working on your own:

- ➤ Create the following worksheet, inserting formulas that use appropriate functions to calculate the total pay in column D, and the summary values in cells C16, D16, B18, B20, and B21.
- > Format columns B and D as currency.

	Α	В	С	D
1	Name	Hourly Rate	Hours Worked	Total
2				
3	John Markshaw	£7.50	30	£225.00
4	Susan Jones	£5.50	15	£82.50
5	Nita Sonhil	£8.00	37	£296.00
6	Roy Barker	£15.00	37	£555.00
7	Tony Bare	£10.75	10	£107.50
8	Belinda Miles	£8.00	25	£200.00
9	Penelope East	£6.15	17	£104.55
10	Rupert Marks	£10.75	35	£376.25
11	James Colins	£8.00	20	£160.00
12	Sophie Doige	£7.50	20	£150.00
13	Mike Burns	£6.50	17	£110.50
14	Jasbir Bonsal	£7.50	10	£75.00
15	Marie Kaur	£7.50	12	£90.00
16	Total		285	£2,532.30
17				
18	Average	£8.36		
19				
20	Maximum Salary	£15.00		
21	Minimum Salary	£5.50		

REMOVING FORMATTING FROM CELLS

Open the Wages workbook from the ExcelIntermediate folder on drive C

When you delete the contents of a cell that has a format assigned to it, for example currency, although the data is deleted, the cell retains the format. Therefore, you will sometimes need to remove formatting from a cell.

To delete the format from cell B18:

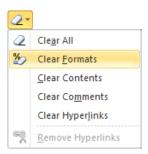
- > Select cell **B18**
- > Ensure that the **Home** tab is selected

From the **Editing** group of commands



Click the Clear button

A list of commands is displayed:

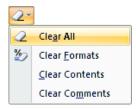


Choose Clear Formats

The format has reverted to the General format which means that the cell has no specific number format. However, numeric data will be automatically right aligned.

To delete both content and formatting from rows 18, 20 and 21:

- Select rows 18, 20 and 21
- Click Clear
- Choose Clear All



WORKING WITH WORKSHEETS

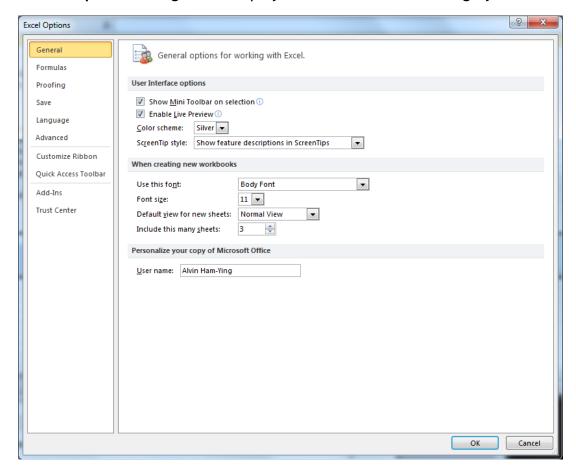
By default, when you open a new workbook it contains three worksheets named Sheet1, Sheet2, Sheet3.



To configure Excel to begin with a different number of worksheets:

- Select the File tab
- Click Options

The **Excel Options** dialog box is displayed with the **General** category selected.



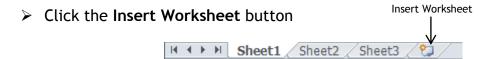
In the When creating new workbooks section

Change the value in the box labelled Include this many sheets:

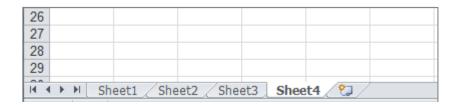
ADDING WORKSHEETS

You will need four sheets in the workbook in order to complete the exercises in this training guide.

To add a fourth worksheet:



A new worksheet (Sheet4) is inserted as the last sheet.



RENAMING A WORKSHEET

To make it easier to identify the contents of the worksheets, they should be renamed to reflect the information they hold.

The first three sheets will hold data for the first three months of the year respectively and the fourth sheet will be a summary sheet.

> Double-click the name tab of the first sheet (Sheet1)

The name of the sheet is selected



- > Type January
- Press Enter



Change the names of the other three sheets to February, March, and Summary



FORMATTING WORKSHEET TABS

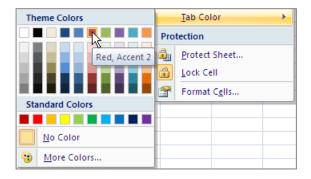
- Select the January worksheet
- Click Format in the Cells group of commands on the Home tab



A list of options is displayed.



- > Point to Tab Color
- > Select the colour **Red**, **Accent 2** from the **Theme Colors** section



The January tab is now formatted with the selected colour.

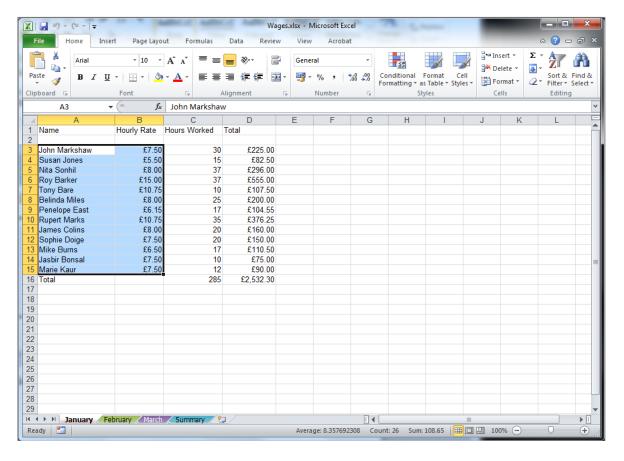
- Change the February tab to Olive Green, Accent 3
- Change the March tab to Purple, Accent 4
- Change the Summary tab to Aqua, Accent 5

COPYING INFORMATION FROM ONE SHEET TO ANOTHER

You are now ready to copy relevant information from the first sheet to the other worksheets. There is more than one way to copy data onto several worksheets. You will look at two of these methods.

In this first exercise you are going to use the common method of copying data into individual worksheets one at a time.

- Click the January sheet
- > Select cells A3 to B15, the names of the staff and their hourly rates. For this exercise, DO NOT select the column headings



Click the Copy button in the Clipboard group on the Home tab

Click on the tab for the February sheet

It is important that you position the insertion point in the cell to the top left of the area where the data is to be copied. You want the sheets to have the same layout, so:

- Click into cell A3
- Click the down arrow on the Paste button

A list of paste options is displayed in the form of icons:



- Hover the mouse pointer over each of the icons in turn to see what they are called and also to preview the effect on the selected sheet
- Click the Keep Source Column Widths option



Move to the sheet for March and paste the same information into the cells starting at A3 (ensure that the January column widths are pasted into the March sheet) In this second exercise you are going to copy data into two worksheets simultaneously. You will copy the column headings in the January worksheet, link the February and March worksheets together, and then paste the data to the linked sheets.

- Select the column headings A1 to D1 on the January sheet
- Click the Copy button

To link the February and March sheets:

Click on the tab for February, then press and hold the Ctrl key while you click the March tab

This action selects both worksheets. The February worksheet will still be visible, but anything you put on the February sheet will also appear on the March sheet in the same position.

- > Select cell A1
- Click the down arrow on the Paste button and select the Keep Source Column Widths option

To cancel the link between the February and March sheets:

- Click on a different sheet (i.e. click on either the January tab or the Summary tab)
- Check that the headings have been copied to both the February and March worksheets.



To select several consecutive worksheets, choose the first sheet then hold the **Shift** key while you select the last sheet.

Random sheets can be selected by holding the **Ctrl** key down as you select each sheet in turn.

ADDING CONSECUTIVE NUMBERS TO A RANGE

You are going to allocate a number to each of the staff by inserting a sequence of consecutive numbers. You will look at one way to achieve this, and then try an alternative method.

- Link the sheets for **January**, **February** and **March** (see page 11)
- > Insert a new blank column to the left of the employee names
- Type 1 in cell A3
- > Type 2 in cell A4
- Select both cells
- Use Auto Fill to copy the numbers down the column finishing at A15





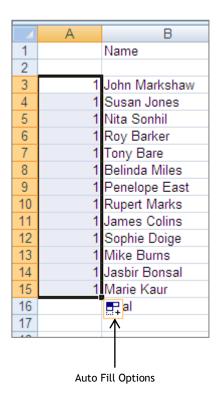
As you have typed in a sequence of numbers (in this case 1 and 2), Excel takes this as an example and uses it to generate the other numbers.

- Click on the Summary sheet to cancel the link
- Check the worksheets for February and March to ensure that the numbers have been inserted into column A

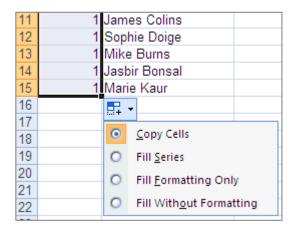
Alternative method for entering a sequence of consecutive numbers:

- > Select the **January** worksheet
- Delete the numbers from the range A3:A15
- Type 1 in cell A3
- Use Auto Fill to copy the value in A3 down the range A4:A15

The number 1 is copied into the cells and a little icon is displayed next to the Auto Fill tool. This is called the **Auto Fill Options** button.



Click the Auto Fill Options button



Select Fill Series

The numbers change to a sequence of consecutive numbers.



The Auto Fill Options button is not displayed when sheets are linked, therefore this second method cannot be used on linked sheets.

> Save the workbook

SIMPLE FORMULAS AND FUNCTIONS REVIEW

Add the hours worked by each member of staff (shown below) to the February and March worksheets. The data is as follows:

	Hours Worked		
Name	February	March	
	worksheet	worksheet	
John Markshaw	25	25	
Susan Jones	25	10	
Nita Sonhil	24	23	
Roy Barker	13	15	
Tony Bare	17	16	
Belinda Miles	16	24	
Penelope East	26	17	
Rupert Marks	21	37	
James Colins	24	25	
Sophie Doige	23	23	
Mike Burns	12	24	
Jasbir Bonsal	18	12	
Marie Kaur	19	37	

When doing the following questions, consider linking worksheets and use this method if appropriate.

On each sheet:



> Calculate the pay for each person by including a formula in the Total column

(Hourly Rate * Hours Worked)

- ➤ Using the Sum function, calculate the overall number of the Hours Worked and Total (pay) for the workforce. Put the answers in cells D16 and E16 on the February and March sheets so that they match the January sheet
- Ensure that the range E3:E16 is formatted as Currency on the February and March sheets
- Save the workbook

APPLYING FORMATTING STYLES

Excel provides a variety of styles that you can apply to your data. Styles can be used to highlight important information within the data, or to just make the data more attractive for inclusion in a PowerPoint presentation or similar.

You will now look at the Styles group of commands on the Home tab.

USING CELL STYLES

- Select the range A16:E16 on the February sheet
- > Select Cell Styles from the Styles group of commands on the Home tab



A Styles Gallery is displayed.



> Select the **Total** style from the **Titles and Headings** section

The style is applied to the selected range and the gallery is closed.

The following steps show how colour can be added to the worksheet using the Themed Cell Styles section of the gallery.

With A16:E16 still selected:

- > Select Cell Styles from the Styles group
- Select 20% Accent3 from the Themed Cell Styles section
- Select A1:E1
- Apply the cell style Accent3
- > Select A2:A15 and C2:C15



To select both A2:A15 and C2:C15:

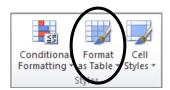
- Select A2:A15
- Hold down the Ctrl key
- Select C2:C15
- Release the Ctrl key
- > Apply the cell style 40% Accent3
- Select B2:B15 and D2:D15
- Apply the cell style 20% Accent3
- > Select E2:E15
- > Apply the cell style Accent3

Hopefully you will agree that the February sheet is now more attractively presented than the unformatted March sheet.

USING TABLE STYLES

Tables will be discussed later in the course, but in this section you will see how to use the table styles to improve the look of your data.

- > Ensure the **January** sheet is selected
- Select the range of cells A1:E16
- > Select Format as Table from the Styles group on the Home tab



A gallery of table styles is displayed.

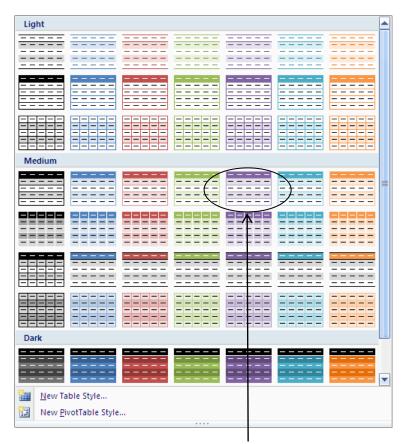
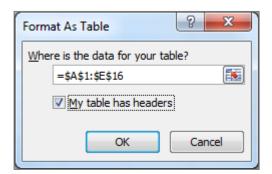


Table Style Medium 5

Select Table Style Medium 5

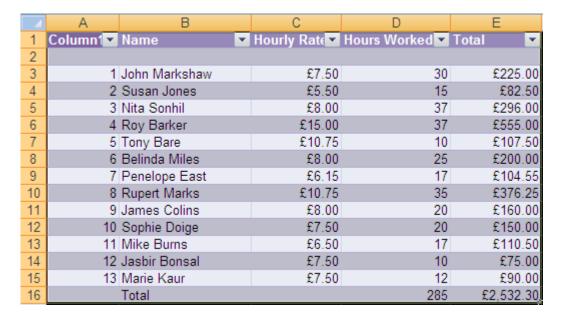
The Format As Table dialog box is displayed.

- Check that the correct cell range is listed in the dialog box
- Ensure that there is a tick in the option box to indicate that the table has headers



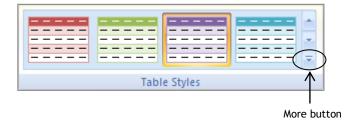
➤ Click OK

Your data is converted into an Excel Table (you will look at some of the advantages of this later in the course) and formatted in the style selected.



With the table still selected:

Click the More button in the Table Styles group on the Design tab



The gallery of Table Styles is displayed.

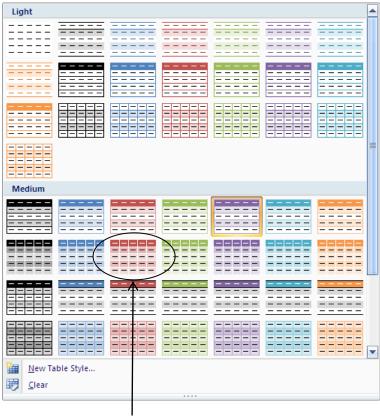


Table Style Medium 10

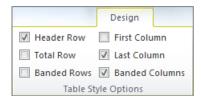
- Move the mouse pointer over the different styles and look at your table each time to see a live preview of how the table would look if that style was selected
- Select Table Style Medium 10

The table is formatted in the style selected.

The check boxes in the **Table Style Options** group on the **Design** tab allow you to tweak the display.

With the table still selected, in the Table Style Options group:

Ensure that ticks appear in the check boxes for Header Row, Last Column, and Banded Columns only



As our initial aim was not to create a table but to format the cell range, you will now convert the table back to a cell range.

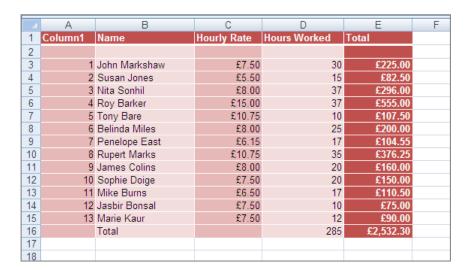
With the table still selected:

> Select **Convert to Range** in the **Tools** group of commands on the **Design** tab Excel asks for confirmation.



Click Yes

The table is converted back to a normal range but retains all of the formatting.



- Delete the Column1 column label in A1
- Save the workbook

USING CONDITIONAL FORMATTING

The Conditional Formatting command enables you to format cells based on particular criteria.

> Select the March worksheet

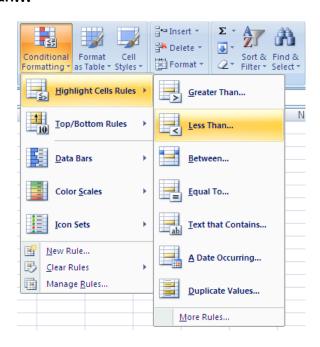
To highlight the Hourly Rates that are lower than £7.50:

- Select C3:C15 (the Hourly Rates values)
- Select the Conditional Formatting command in the Styles group

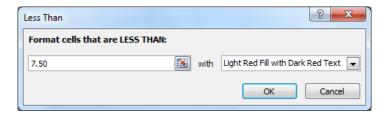
A list of options is displayed.



- Point to Highlight Cells Rules
- > Select Less Than...



> Type **7.50** in the left-hand box of the **Less Than** dialog box



Click the down arrow in the right-hand box to see the formatting options

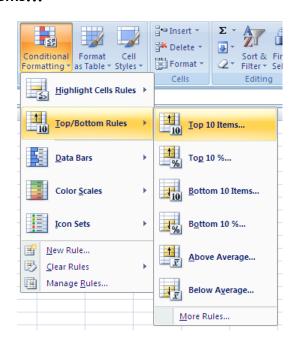


- Choose Light Red Fill
- ➤ Click OK

The three Hourly Rates less than £7.50 are highlighted in red.

Next you will highlight the highest five salaries in March.

- > Select E3:E15 on the March sheet
- Select the Conditional Formatting command
- > Point to Top/Bottom Rules
- Select Top 10 Items...



> Type 5 in the left-hand box of the Top 10 Items dialog box



Click the down arrow in the right-hand text box to see the formatting options

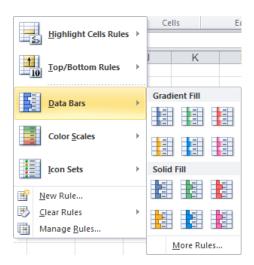


- Choose Green Fill with Dark Green Text
- > Click OK

The highest five salaries are highlighted with the chosen format.

Finally you will add a pictorial representation of the data in the Hours Worked column.

- Select the range D3:D15
- > Select the Conditional Formatting command
- > Point to Data Bars



- > Select one of the Data Bar options
- > Save the workbook

WORKING WITH DATES

FORMATTING A DATE

Excel offers a varied selection of date formats for you to choose from. In addition you can create your own customised formats. Any date format that you need is therefore achievable.

- > Select the **January** worksheet
- In cell A2 type the date 1/1/14, and press Enter

The date is displayed as 01/01/2014 but you want it to show as January-14.

> Select cell A2 again

The Number Format option box in the **Number** group of commands shows that this cell is formatted as a date.



Click the down arrow on the Number Format option box

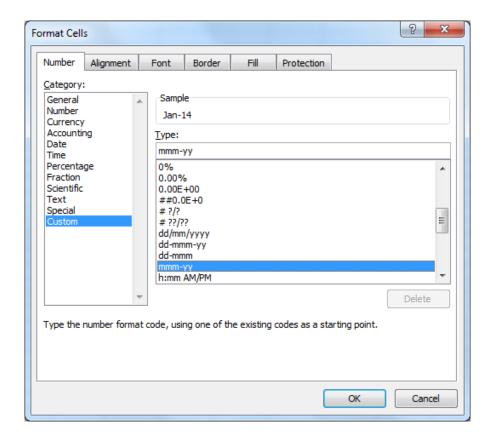


There are two date formats in the list of options: Short Date (01/01/2014) and Long Date (01 January 2014), but neither of these will give you the format you want i.e. January-14.

Select More Number Formats...

The **Format Cells** dialog box is displayed with the **Date** category on the **Number** tab selected.

- Scroll down to see the different Types of date formats you can chooseNone of the available formats will give you exactly what you want.
- > Select Custom from the Category list
- Select mmm-yy in the Type list



The **Sample** section of the dialog box illustrates how the data in the current cell will be affected by the chosen format (**Jan-14**).

mmm in the format code instructs Excel to display the month using the shortened month name (Jan). To display the month as January, you need to change the format code to mmmm-yy. Since this is not in the list of options, you need to modify the existing code.

In the **Type** textbox insert an **m** so that the format code reads **mmmm**



The Sample section displays January-14.



- ➤ Click OK
- Ensure that the column is wide enough to display the date in your chosen format



- Add corresponding dates to cell A2 on the February and March sheets
- Change the format of the dates to match that on the January sheet



Your edited format (mmmm-yy) should appear at the bottom of the list of options in the Custom category.

DATE FUNCTIONS

Excel has several functions that can be used with dates, but the ones that are most frequently used are - NOW, TODAY, DATE, DAY, MONTH, and YEAR.

- Insert a new worksheet to experiment with these functions
- > Rename the sheet **Date Functions**

NOW()

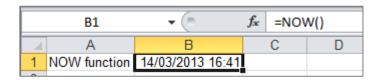
The NOW function returns the *current date and time* and is updated each time the worksheet is opened or calculated.

The syntax for the NOW function is:

=NOW()

- > Ensure that the **Date Functions** sheet is selected
- In cell A1 type NOW function
- ➤ In cell **B1** type the formula **=NOW()** and press ENTER

B1 displays the current date and time.



Formatting allows you to control what is displayed in B1 and how it is displayed.

- Change the format of B1 to Long Date
- Change the format to Time
- Change the format to the Custom format h:mm AM/PM
- Change the format to the Custom format dddd, dd mmmm, yyyy
- Try other Date or Time Custom formats

The TODAY function returns the *current date* and is updated each time the worksheet is opened or calculated.

The syntax of the TODAY function is:

=TODAY()

- > In cell A3 type TODAY function
- ➤ In cell B3 type =TODAY() and press ENTER

Today's date is added to B3. Remember that this date value is not a fixed value and will change to display the current date each time the workbook is opened.

DAY(), MONTH(), and YEAR()

The DAY, MONTH, and YEAR functions all take a date as an argument and return values equal to the day, month or year respectively.

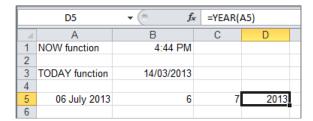
The syntax is:

=DAY(dateValue) or =MONTH(dateValue) or =YEAR(dateValue)

Where dateValue is a date or expression that results in a date.

- > In cell **A5** type 6/7/13
- Change the format of A5 to Long Date
- In cell B5 enter = DAY(A5)
- In cell C5 enter =MONTH(A5)
- In cell D5 enter =YEAR(A5)

Notice that these functions allow you to extract the different sections from a given date.



It is also worth noting that the result is a number and never text. For example, if the month is March the MONTH function will return the value 3 NOT March.

The DATE function takes three arguments: Year, Month, and Day, and returns a result formatted as a date.

The syntax for the DATE function is:

=DATE(yearValue, monthValue, dayValue)

where yearValue, monthValue, and dayValue are numerical values or expressions that evaluate to give numerical values.

- In cell A10 type DATE function
- In cell B10 enter =DATE(2014,11,27)

The value is displayed as 27/11/2014.

CALCULATIONS WITH DATES

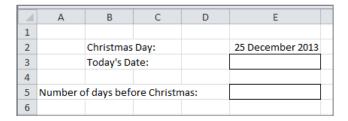
Excel stores a date as a serial number, thus allowing you to perform arithmetical calculations on dates.

The sequence of date serial number codes starts with 1 representing 1 January 1900. Therefore, it follows that 10 January 1900 is stored as 10.

If you type any date into a cell and change the format of the cell to the General format or the Number format, the serial number code for that date will be displayed.

To calculate the number of days between two dates, you subtract one date from the other and ensure that the format of the result is either General or Number.

- > Open the workbook **DateExamples**
- > Select the worksheet Christmas



- In E3 key in today's date
- ➤ In E5 key in the formula =E2-E3
- > Ensure that the format of E5 is General

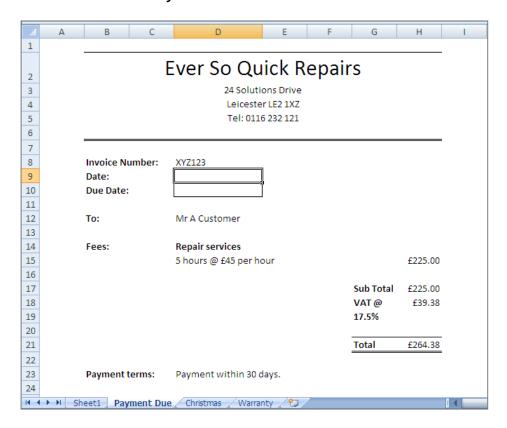
Adding a given number of days to a date is even more straightforward.

- Select Sheet1
- In A2 type 23/8/14
- ➤ In **B2** type **10**
- ➤ In C2 enter the formula =A2+B2

The result in C2 is the date that is 10 days after 23 August 2014.

This idea can be used to calculate Payment Due dates on an invoice.

> Select the worksheet: Payment Due



> Enter today's date in D9



Unhiding gridlines:

You can show the gridlines to make it easier to select individual cells.

- Select the View tab
- Select the Gridlines check box in the Show group

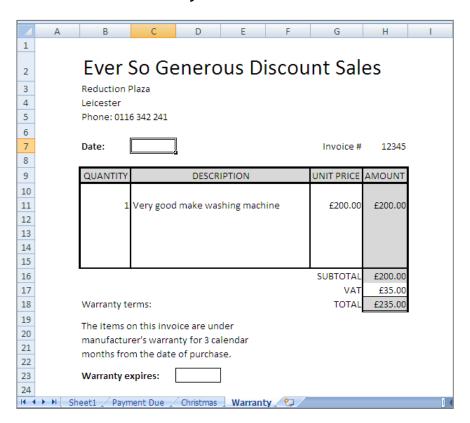
Payment must be made within 30 days. You therefore want D10 to contain a formula to calculate the Due Date.

Key in the formula =D9+30 in D10

D10 displays the correct payment due date.

The formula becomes a little more complicated if, instead of adding days, you need to add a given number of months or years to a date.

> Select the worksheet: Warranty



The warranty expires three calendar months from the date of the sales invoice. Because the months do not all have the same number of days, you cannot calculate the expiry date by adding 90 days to the invoice date.

One possible formula involves using the Date(), Year(), Month(), and Day() functions.

- Key in today's date in C7
- In D23, key in the formula =Date(Year(C7), Month(C7)+3, Day(C7))

The Date() function in D23's formula takes the year and day components of C7 as they are and adds 3 to the month component. The end result is that D23 now displays the correct expiry date.

Save and close the DateExamples workbook

CALCULATIONS USING MULTIPLE WORKSHEETS

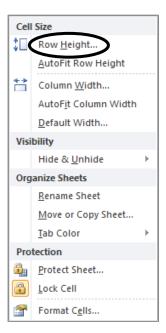
Calculations using figures from different worksheets are easily performed.

For this exercise, you are going to include totals in the Summary sheet of the Wages workbook using figures from the monthly worksheets. You will try two different methods:

- 1. Creating a simple formula using the sheet name to reference individual cells
- 2. Linking sheets and using the Sum function to create a 3-D reference

First you will prepare the Summary sheet:

- > Ensure that the **Wages** workbook is open
- On the January sheet, use the Format Painter to copy the format from cell A1 to the range A1:E1 on the Summary sheet
- Copy the format from C2 on the January sheet to A2:E2 on the Summary sheet
- Copy the format from B2 on the January sheet to A3:E3 on the Summary sheet
- > Select A1 on the Summary sheet
- > Select the Format command in the Cells group on the Home tab
- Choose Row Height... from the drop-down menu



The Row Height dialog box is displayed.



- > Change the height to 51.75
- Click OK
- Using the Format command again, change the width of Column A to 17
- Change the width of Column B to 9.5
- Type Jumble Sales Corporation in A1
- Type Total hours worked in A2
- > Type Total Pay in B2
- Centre align the text in A2 and B2
- Change the size of the text in A1 to 22 and centre it vertically

The Summary sheet is now ready for the calculations.



CREATING A FORMULA ACROSS SHEETS

You are going to calculate the Total Hours Worked for January to March.

- Ensure that the Summary sheet is selected
- > Select cell A3
- Type =

At this point, Excel knows that you are producing a calculation and so will gradually build up the formula as you select different worksheets and cells.

- Select the sheet for January
- Click on the cell containing the Total Hours worked, D16
- Press +
- > Select the sheet for February
- Click on the cell containing the Total Hours worked, D16
- Press +
- > Select the sheet for March
- Click on the cell containing the Total Hours worked, D16
- Press Enter

The result of the calculation is displayed in the Summary sheet.

Check the formula and you will see that the name of each worksheet as well as the cell reference has been included. (When a worksheet name is included in a formula, an exclamation mark is put between the sheet name and the cell reference.)

=January!D16+February!D16+March!D16

3-D REFERENCE

A 3-D reference is a reference that refers to the same cell or range on multiple sheets.

You will use the SUM function and a 3-D reference to calculate the Total (pay) for January to March.

In the previous exercise, the cell references used in the formula could have been anywhere on a worksheet. However, with the 3-D reference method, the numbers that you are totalling must be in the same cell, or range of cells, on each worksheet. So, for example, if the Total is in cell E16 on the January worksheet, it must also be in cell E16 for February and March.

- Click into cell B3 on the Summary sheet
- Type =sum(
- Select the worksheets for January, February and March by clicking January, hold the Shift key and click on March
- > On the January worksheet select cells E3 to E15
- Complete the formula by typing)
- Press Enter

The total is displayed on the Summary sheet. Check the formula to see how it compares with the formula for the total hours worked.

=SUM(January:March!E3:E15)

> Format the cell as currency

If you used the same data in your worksheets that is shown in the training document, your answers should be as follows:



Save the workbook

WORKING WITH PERCENTAGES

CALCULATING A PERCENTAGE

If you want to know what 2% of any number is, multiply the number by 2%.

So if you want to calculate 2% of 50, the formula would be =50*2%.

- Choose an empty cell on the Date Functions sheet and calculate 7% of 20 (Answer 1.4)
- Calculate 85% of 290

(Answer 246.5)

Calculating a percentage increase

To calculate the result of an increase of 50% on 35, you multiply 35 by 150%. (100% is the original figure, 50% the increase.)

Original number (35) = 100% + Increase required (50%) = 50%

Final figure = 150% of the original number

➤ In an empty cell, find the result of an increase of 11% on 200 (Answer 222)

Calculating a percentage decrease

To calculate a decrease of 20% on 55, multiply 55 by 80%.

Original number (55) = 100% - Decrease required (20%) = $\frac{20\%}{}$

Final figure = 80% of the original number

In an empty cell, find the result of a decrease of 30% on £125 (do not include the £ in the formula. £ implies currency formatting)

Answer (£87.50)

RELATIVE AND ABSOLUTE REFERENCES

When a formula is copied, the cell references in the formula behave differently depending on whether they are relative or absolute references.

It is therefore important to understand the difference between these when copying formulas.

RELATIVE REFERENCE

In a formula, cell references (such as A1) are said to be relative, because if the formula is copied to a different place in the worksheet the cell references in the formula change accordingly. So, if you copy the formula across rows or down columns, the references automatically adjust.

By default new formulas use relative references.

Up to this point in the training session, when you have copied a formula or function to another cell or cells, the cell references have changed relatively.

The example below shows the effect of copying the formula in cell C1 to cells C2 and C3.

	A	В	С
1	6	3	18 (=A1*B1)
2	4	2	8 (=A2*B2)
3	10	4	40 (=A3*B3) √

However, let's say that in column C you want to produce a formula that will multiply cell A1 by a series of cells in column B.

In the example below you can see that the formula in cell C1 is correct (A1*B1).

However, as the formula contains relative cell references it has been copied *relatively* to C2 (and C3). This has resulted in A1 becoming A2 in the formula in C2, so instead of the desired result of 12 (6*2) C2 gives a result of 0.

Similarly, cell C3 gives a result of 0 instead of the desired result of 24.

	Α	В	С	
1	6	3	18	(=A1*B1)
2		2	0	(=A2*B2)
3		4	0	(=A3*B3) √

To solve this problem, we need to indicate to Excel that the reference to cell A1 in the formula must not change when the formula is copied.

ABSOLUTE REFERENCE

An absolute cell reference in a formula specifies that when the formula is copied to other cells, the cell reference must not be changed.

Using the same example as before, to ensure that the reference to cell A1 in the formula remains unchanged when it is copied to other cells, you make it an absolute reference by including \$ signs (\$A\$1).

\$A specifies that the reference must not be moved out of column A, and \$1 specifies that the reference must not be moved out of row 1. So \$A\$1 specifies that the reference must not be moved out of the cell A1.

The formula was then copied to C2 and C3. While the absolute reference has remained unchanged, the relative reference (B1) has changed to B2 and B3 respectively.

	Α	В	С
1	6	3	18 (=\$A\$1*B1)
2		2	12 (=\$A\$1*B2)
3		4	24 (=\$A\$1*B3)

Using Absolute References

To practice using relative and absolute references:

Add a new worksheet to your workbook

> Rename the sheet: Practice

> Enter the following data

4	А	В	С	D	Е
1	Price (exc VAT)	VAT	Total Price		VAT
2	£25.00				17.50%
3	£10.25				
4	£6.83				
5	£9.87				
6	£10.50				
7	£6.00				
8	£45.60				

➤ In B2, calculate the VAT on the first item by multiplying the Price (A2) by the VAT percentage (E2)

Because you want to multiply each of the prices in column A by E2, you need to make the reference to E2 absolute before you copy the formula down the column.

- Edit the formula in B2 so that it becomes =A2*\$E\$2
- Copy the formula in B2 to the cells B3:B8

The values should be:

4	А	A B C		D	Е
1	Price (exc VAT)	VAT	Total Price		VAT
2	£25.00	£4.38			17.50%
3	£10.25	£1.79			
4	£6.83	£1.20			
5	£9.87	£1.73			
6	£10.50	£1.84			
7	£6.00	£1.05			
8	£45.60	£7.98			

The formulas should look like this:

4	Α	В	С
1	Price (exc VAT)	VAT	Total Price
2	25	=A2*\$E\$2	
3	10.25	=A3*\$E\$2	
4	6.83	=A4*\$E\$2	
5	9.87	=A5*\$E\$2	
6	10.5	=A6*\$E\$2	
7	6	=A7*\$E\$2	
8	45.6	=A8*\$E\$2	

In cell C2, calculate the total price for the first item by adding the Price (exc VAT) to the VAT

The formula in C2 should be =A2+B2

No absolute references are needed for this formula because both A2 and B2 need to change relatively as the formula is copied down the column.

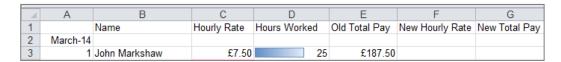
Copy the formula in C2 to the cells C3:C8

	А	В	С	D	Е
1	Price (exc VAT)	VAT	Total Price		VAT
2	£25.00	£4.38	£29.38		17.50%
3	£10.25	£1.79	£12.04		
4	£6.83	£1.20	£8.03		
5	£9.87	£1.73	£11.60		
6	£10.50	£1.84	£12.34		
7	£6.00	£1.05	£7.05		
8	£45.60	£7.98	£53.58		

ABSOLUTE REFERENCES IN PRACTICE

The employees at Jumble Sales Corporation have been awarded a 5% increase in their pay to take effect from March. We will use this to further demonstrate how absolute cell references work in practice.

- Select the March worksheet
- To avoid confusion as the worksheet is extended, change the heading in E1 to Old Total Pay
- In cell F1 type the heading New Hourly Rate
- In cell G1 type the heading New Total Pay
- Ensure that the new column headings are fully displayed



You have to recalculate the hourly rate for each person but, instead of entering the percentage as part of the individual formulas you can enter the percentage increase in a separate cell. By putting the percentage in a separate cell, you use the cell reference in the calculations and any future changes will be quick and easy to administer as you have only one figure to alter.

- In cell **J1** type the heading **Increase**
- > Type 5% in cell J2

Your worksheet should look something like this:



In cell F3 calculate the new hourly rate for John Markshaw

The New Hourly Rate is calculated by adding the increase (5% of Hourly Rate) to the original Hourly Rate. One possible formula is:

=(Increase * Hourly Rate) + Hourly Rate

i.e.: =(J2*C3)+C3

The parentheses around the first part of the formula are not necessary, but they can be useful in helping you to 'see' the structure of the formula more clearly.

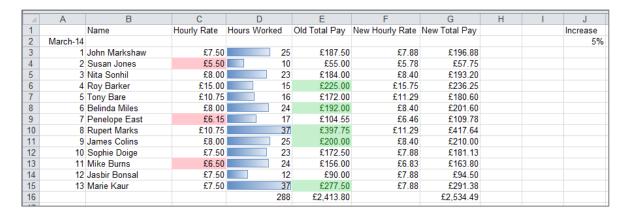
The above formula works fine for John Markshaw, but before the formula is copied to the other staff, as the **Increase** is the same for all employees, you will need to use an **absolute** reference in the formula when referring to the cell containing the percentage increase.

Select cell F3, click into the formula bar and make the reference J2 an absolute reference

The formula should now be:

$$=(J2*C3)+C3$$

- Copy the formula to the other staff
- Check the formula in one or two of the cells in the New Hourly Rate column to see that reference to cell J2 has not changed while the reference to the Hourly Rate cell has changed relatively to match the row number
- Include a formula in cell G3 to calculate the new total pay for John Markshaw
- Copy the formula to the other staff
- > Sum the New Total Pay column
- > Ensure that the values in column F and column G are formatted as currency





To apply an absolute cell reference quickly, select the reference and press the F4 key on the keyboard.

Save the workbook

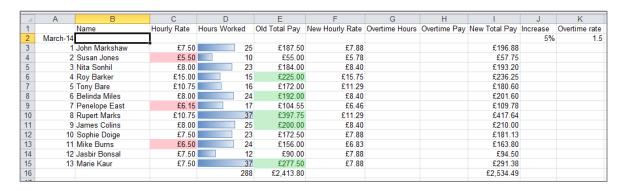
NAMED AREAS

While the worksheet is fairly small, typing a cell address into a formula is not too difficult. However, imagine that you have a very large worksheet, are working with formulas similar to those used in the last exercise and you can't see all of the data on the screen. It is very tedious to scroll up and down to remind yourself what you should be including in the formula.

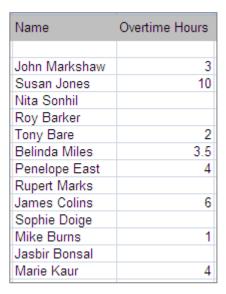
In cases like these, it is much simpler to give relevant cells a descriptive *name* (this can be a single cell or a range) so that it's easy to remember and can be used in formulas throughout the workbook.

You are going to extend the worksheet further. The scenario for this exercise is that some of the staff have worked overtime and you need to include the overtime pay in their salary. However, instead of using the usual cell reference in the formula, you will name the cell(s) and use that instead.

- Select the range G1:G16
- Move the selected cells two columns to the right, to column I
- In G1 type the heading Overtime Hours
- In H1 type Overtime Pay
- > In K1 type Overtime rate
- > Staff are paid one and a half times their normal rate of pay for overtime so in cell **K2** type **1.5**



> The following people have worked overtime this month. Enter the overtime hours in column G.

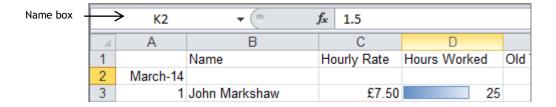


➤ If necessary format the cells with the **General** format

NAMING CELLS

> Select cell **K2** (the cell holding the overtime rate)

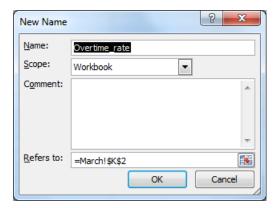
You can see that the cell reference is displayed in the Name Box to the left of the Formula Bar.



- > Select the Formulas tab
- Click the Define Name command in the Defined Names group



If you click the down-arrow section of the command you will then need to select the Define Name option. The New Name dialog box is displayed.



Excel has taken the text from the adjacent cell and has inserted it automatically as a suggested name. Note that spaces are not allowed in the name, so Excel has used an underscore character to separate the two words in the name. You can type an alternative name for the cell if the suggestion is not appropriate.

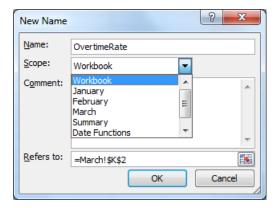
Change the suggested name to OvertimeRate



Excel does not differentiate between upper case and lower case in names. Using upper case for the initial character of each word makes it easier to recognise the separate words in the name without having to use the underscore.

The Scope defines where the name will be recognised. The default scope is the Workbook, meaning that the name can be used in any worksheet within the workbook.

Click the down-arrow to see the other Scope options



For this exercise, the name is to be used only on the March worksheet.

Select March for the Scope

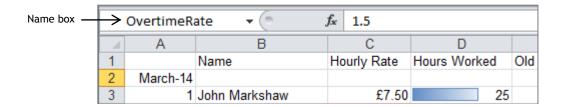
Ensure that the cell address in the Refers to: section is =March!\$K\$2



When you name a cell (or range of cells), the name is linked to that specific cell (or range) and therefore the reference is given as an absolute reference.

Click OK to complete the naming process

Cell K2 now has the name OvertimeRate.



USING NAMED CELLS

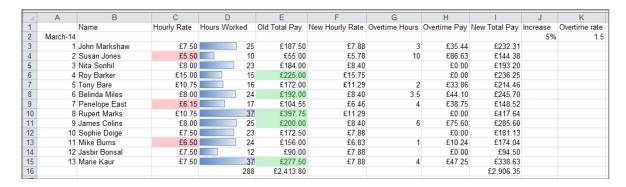
You will now use the new name in a formula to calculate the Overtime Pay for the staff.

- Select cell H3
- Type =F3*OvertimeRate*G3

Explanation:

Take the New Hourly Rate for John Markshaw (F3), multiply it by the Overtime Rate to produce the Overtime Pay per hour. Then multiply the result by the number of Overtime Hours.

- Press Enter
- Copy the formula to the other cells in column H
- Edit the formula in column I (New Total Pay) to include the Overtime Pay



> Save the workbook

THE IF FUNCTION

The IF function is one of the most important functions as it enables you to create conditional formulas that provide decision-making capability.

For example, a wholesaler may offer an article at £4.50 if 100 or more are bought and £5 if fewer than 100 are bought. Or a web site may indicate that if the value of goods ordered is £25 or more then postage is free, otherwise the cost of postage is £2.75. Both of these are good candidates for the IF function.

The IF function includes a logical test on a given cell. A logical test produces an answer of either True/False or Yes/No. For example, 'is the value of E5 bigger than 100?'

The IF function is structured as follows:

=IF(Logical Test, Value 1, Value 2)

Which produces these results:

If the Logical Test is TRUE, Value 1 is inserted into the cell If the Logical Test is FALSE, Value 2 is inserted into the cell

If the Value is text rather than a number, it must be enclosed in quotation marks ("text").

For example, you might want to include the words "solvent" or "bankrupt" as the result of a calculation in the worksheet.



You can compare two values with the following operators. When two values are compared using these operators, the result is a logical value, either TRUE or FALSE.

- > More than
- < Less than
- = Equal to
- >= More than or equal to
- <= Less than or equal to</p>

EXAMPLE OF THE USE OF THE IF FUNCTION

Sums of £50,000 or more deposited in a bank account earn 5% interest, while sums less than £50,000 earn 3% interest.

The function would be:

Where "Deposit" is the name given to the cell containing the amount deposited.

The above formula can be interpreted as:

'If Deposit is more than or equal to 50,000 use 5%, otherwise use 3%'.

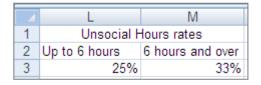
Therefore, for a deposit of £50,000, the test is TRUE, and the result is 5%

For a deposit of £49,999.99, the test is FALSE, and the result is 3%

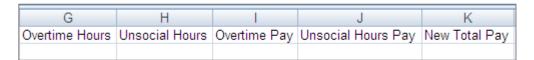
Let's try out the IF function.

Some of the staff have worked unsocial hours. If a person works six or more unsocial hours they are paid an extra 33% of their hourly rate for the unsocial time. If they work less than six hours they are paid an extra 25% for each hour.

In columns L and M of the March worksheet, enter the following data:



- Insert a new column between Overtime Hours and Overtime Pay
- Add the column heading Unsocial Hours in the new column H
- Insert a new column between Overtime Pay and New Total Pay
- Add the column heading Unsocial Hours Pay in the new column J





USEFUL TO REMEMBER

You can use Freeze Panes to help you to align the data with the correct employee.

The following people have worked unsocial hours:

John Markshaw	2
Susan Jones	5
Belinda Miles	3
Penelope East	6
James Colins	5
Sophie Doige	8
Mike Burns	5
Marie Kaur	10

- > Enter the unsocial hours in the correct cells in column H
- > If necessary change the format of the unsocial hours values to General

You are now ready to enter the formula that will calculate the unsocial hours pay for the first employee.

The syntax of the conditional formula will be:

Explanation:

IF	The name of the function
H3>=6	H3 (the number of unsocial hours) greater than or equal
	to 6
	(the condition required for the higher rate)
\$0\$3	O3 (absolute) is the cell that contains the % increase of
	the higher unsocial rate
\$N\$3	N3 (absolute) is the cell that contains the % increase of
	the lower unsocial rate
IF(H3>=6,\$O\$3,\$N\$3)	If the unsocial hours are greater than or equal to 6, take
	the figure in cell O3 to calculate the unsocial pay, if not,
	take the figure in cell N3 to calculate the pay
*F3+F3	Multiply by the New Hourly Rate (this calculates the extra
	pay per hour), plus the New Hourly Rate (to calculate the
	unsocial rate)
()	A pair of brackets have been included to ensure that the
	addition is done before the final multiplication
*H3	Once the unsocial rate of pay is calculated, the result is
	multiplied by the number of unsocial hours worked

- ➤ In cell **J3**, enter the conditional formula (remember the absolute references)
- > Copy the formula to all employees
- Ensure that the values for Unsocial Hours Pay are formatted as currency
- > Edit K3, the New Total Pay, to include the Unsocial Hours Pay

The formula in the New Total Pay column should now be:

=((New Hourly Rate * Hours Worked) + Overtime Pay) + Unsocial Hours Pay (the brackets are not necessary)

Copy the formula in K3 to all employees

- 4	Α	В	F	G	Н	1	J	K
1		Name	New Hourly Rate	Overtime Hours	Unsocial Hours	Overtime Pay	Unsocial Hours Pay	New Total Pay
2	March-14							
3	1	John Markshaw	£7.88	3	2	£35.44	£19.69	£252.00
4	2	Susan Jones	£5.78	10	5	£86.63	£36.09	£180.47
5	3	Nita Sonhil	£8.40			£0.00	£0.00	£193.20
6	4	Roy Barker	£15.75			£0.00	£0.00	£236.25
7	5	Tony Bare	£11.29	2		£33.86	£0.00	£214.46
8	6	Belinda Miles	£8.40	3.5	3	£44.10	£31.50	£277.20
9	7	Penelope East	£6.46	4	6	£38.75	£51.53	£200.05
10	8	Rupert Marks	£11.29			£0.00	£0.00	£417.64
11	9	James Colins	£8.40	6	5	£75.60	£52.50	£338.10
12	10	Sophie Doige	£7.88		8	£0.00	£83.79	£264.92
13	11	Mike Burns	£6.83	1	5	£10.24	£42.66	£216.69
14	12	Jasbir Bonsal	£7.88			£0.00	£0.00	£94.50
15	13	Marie Kaur	£7.88	4	10	£47.25	£104.74	£443.36
16								£3,328.84

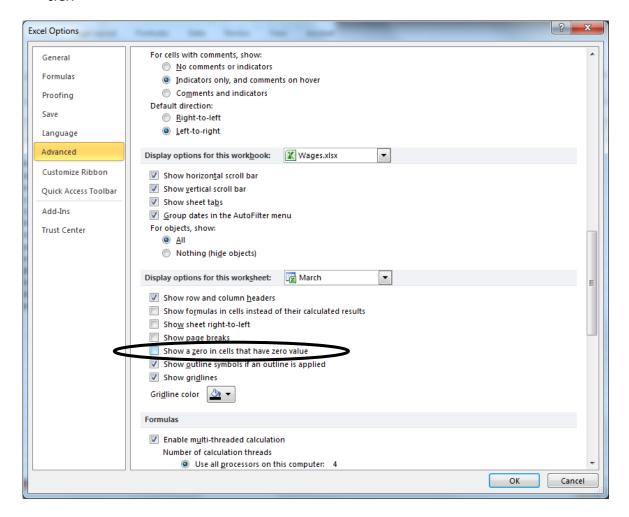
Save the workbook

REMOVING ZERO VALUES FROM THE WORKSHEET

Some of the employees at Jumble Sales Corporation have not worked overtime, and some have not worked unsocial hours. This has therefore produced £0.00 entries in the columns that show the overtime pay and the unsocial hours pay.

Excel allows you to hide these zero values and only display the data for staff who have worked during additional hours.

- Select the File tab
- Click Options
- Select Advanced in the left-hand pane
- Scroll down until the Display options for this worksheet section is visible
- Click the check box Show a zero in cells that have zero value to remove the tick



- ➤ Click OK
- Save the workbook

REVIEW



- > Open the workbook DateExamples
- Select the Warranty sheet

The Ever So Generous Discount Sales Company has decided to give a six months' warranty for items that cost more than £500 (the Unit Price).

- > Give G11 the name Price
- > Select D23

The current formula in D23 is:

=DATE(YEAR(C7),MONTH(C7)+3,DAY(C7))

You need to modify this formula so that sometimes 6 is added to the month value and other times 3 is added. The condition is that whenever Price is bigger than £500 you must add 6, otherwise add 3.

- > Edit the formula in **D23** to accommodate this condition
- Change the price in G11 to £650

If your formula is correct, the expiry date in D23 should now display a date that is six months away.

Save and close the DateExamples workbook

One possible solution for the new formula in D23 is:

=DATE(YEAR(C7), MONTH(C7)+IF(Price>500,6,3), DAY(C7))

TEMPLATES

If you need to create workbooks that are similar in design, you can save yourself the trouble of recreating the layout, format, etc by saving the design as a template.

For this exercise you will create a template based on one of the worksheets in the Wages spreadsheet, and use it to create a spreadsheet for the second quarter.

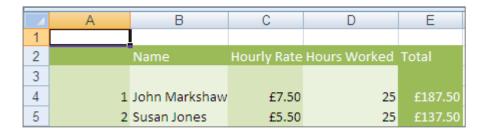
- > Ensure that the Wages workbook is open
- > Save a copy of this file with the name **template design**
- > Select the **February** sheet
- > Rename this sheet Monthly Figures

You will use this sheet to create a design that can be used each month, so this is the only sheet that you will keep in the template design workbook.

- Delete the other worksheets (January, March, Summary, Date Functions, and Practice)
- > Delete the data in A2 without altering the formatting

Next you will use the name of the company as a title for the worksheet.

Insert a new row above the column headings



- Use the format painter to copy the formatting from C3 to A1:E1
- Change the height of row 1 to 44.25
- In A1, type the title Jumble Sales Corporation
- Change the font size of the title to 22
- Centre the title across A1:E1
- Centre the title vertically



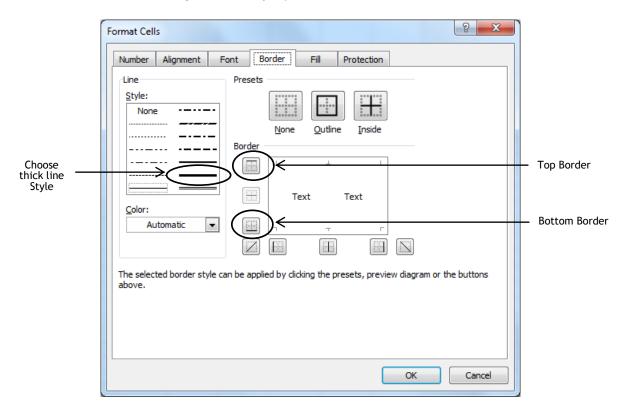
To make the column headings stand out, you will put a white border above and below the headings.

- > Select the cells A2:E2
- Click the down-arrow on the Borders tool in the Font group of commands



Select More Borders...

The **Format Cells** dialog box is displayed with the **Border** tab selected.



- Choose the thick solid line in the line Style section
- > Click the drop-down arrow in the Color section and select White
- Click the Top and Bottom Border buttons
- Click OK

Next, because the hours worked will be different each month, this data must be removed.

> Select the range **D4:D16** and press the delete key

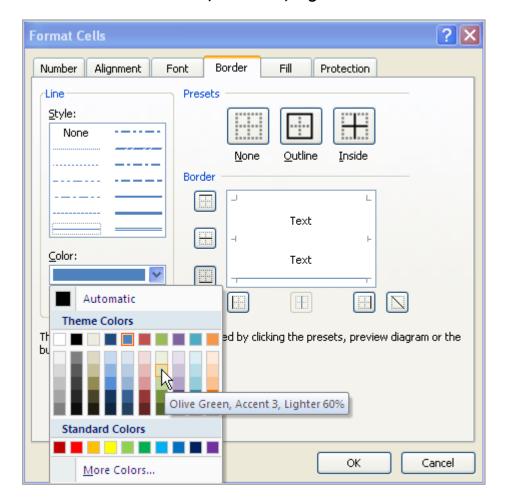


The formulae for the total pay are to be kept in the worksheet, but you don't want to see the zero values in the template.

> Use the Excel Options dialog box to hide the zero values in the sheet (see page 50)

The worksheet will be easier to use if the Hours Worked column shows each cell separately.

- > Select D4:D16
- > Use the Border tool to select More Borders...
- Choose the colour Olive Green, Accent 3, Lighter 60%



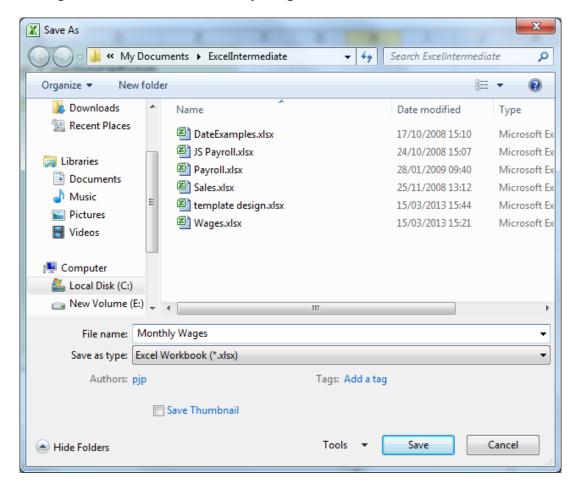
- Click the Inside button in the Presets section
- Click the Top border button in the Border section
- ➤ Click OK
- > Save the workbook

The design is now completed and should look something like this:



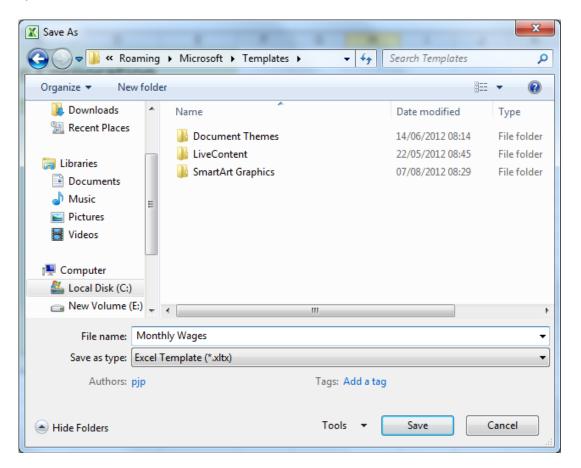
SAVING A WORKBOOK AS A TEMPLATE

- > Select the File tab
- Click Save As
- > Change the file name to Monthly Wages



- Click the down-arrow for the Save as type box to display a list of possible file types
- Scroll down the list and choose Excel Template

Excel automatically chooses the appropriate folder in which to save the template.

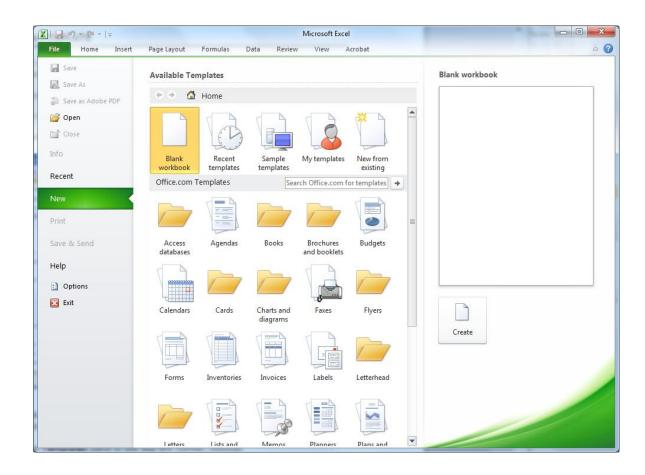


- Click Save
- Close the workbook

USING A TEMPLATE

You will now use the Monthly Wages template to quickly setup a workbook for the second quarter.

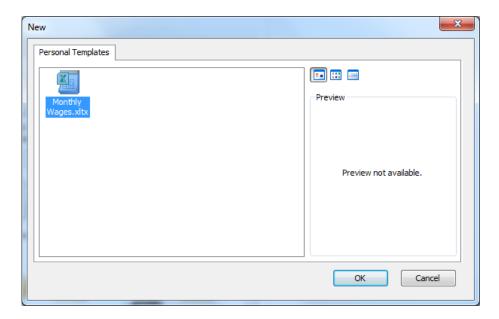
- > Select the File tab
- Click New



From the Available Templates section:

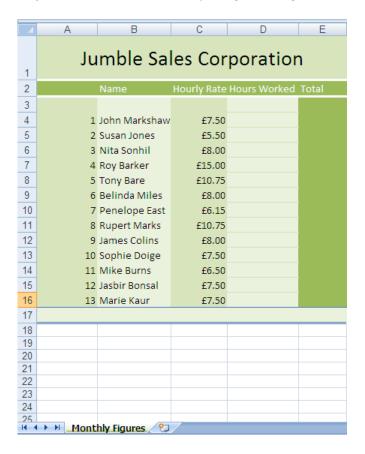
Click My templates

The **New** dialog box is displayed showing the templates that you have created.



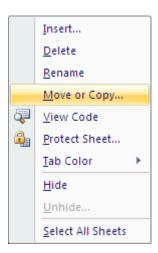
- Ensure that Monthly Wages is selected
- ➤ Click OK

A new workbook is opened with the monthly wages design.



Save this workbook in the ExcelIntermediate folder on drive C with the file name Quarter2 Wages You need a separate sheet for each of the three months in the second quarter.

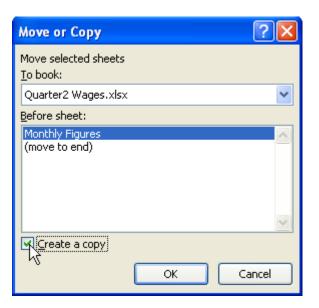
Click the right mouse button on the Monthly Figures tab



> Select Move or Copy from the shortcut menu

The Move or Copy dialog box is displayed.

> Click the Create a copy checkbox to put a tick in it



- ➤ Click OK
- Select the Monthly Figures worksheet and repeat the process to create another copy of the sheet
- From left to right, rename the tabs April, May, and June



- Select the April worksheet
- > In A3, enter 1/4/14

The cell has kept the original formatting and displays the date as April-14

- Enter 1/5/14 and 1/6/14 in A3 of the May and June sheets respectively
- Add the hours worked by each member of staff (shown below) to the April worksheet. The data is as follows:

Name	Hours
	Worked
John Markshaw	25
Susan Jones	37
Nita Sonhil	15
Roy Barker	27
Tony Bare	20
Belinda Miles	24
Penelope East	12
Rupert Marks	35
James Colins	30
Sophie Doige	28
Mike Burns	23
Jasbir Bonsal	14
Marie Kaur	35

The formulas for the total pay are already stored in the worksheet, so as you type each value in the Hours Worked column the Total pay is automatically calculated and displayed.



Save the workbook

COPYING DATA BETWEEN WORKBOOKS

The hours worked in May and June for each member of staff is exactly the same as the hours worked in January.

To complete the Quarter2 Wages spreadsheet you will copy the hours worked from the January sheet.

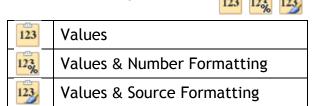
While the Quarter2 Wages workbook is still open:

- > Open the Wages spreadsheet
- > Select the **January** sheet
- Select the range D3:D15 (the Hours Worked)
- Click the Copy button in the Clipboard group on the Home tab
- Use the button on the task bar to switch to the Quarter2 Wages spreadsheet
- > Select both the May and June sheets (see page 11.)
- > Select cell **D4**

To ensure that only the values and not the formatting is copied:

Click the down-arrow on the Paste button in the Clipboard group

The Paste Values section has three options:



Paste Values

- > Select Values
- > Check that the figures have been copied into both May and June sheets
- > Save and close the Quarter2 Wages spreadsheet

HIDING DATA IN THE WORKSHEET

These features are useful if your worksheet has confidential data that you wish to keep out of view of individuals passing by your computer as you work on the spreadsheet, or if the sheet is large and you wish to view only certain rows or columns.

HIDE AND UNHIDE ROWS AND COLUMNS

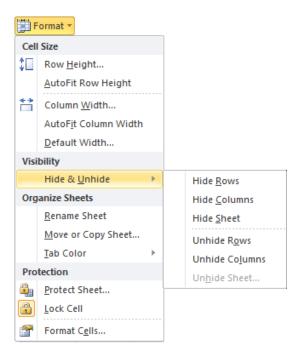
This is the most secure method of hiding data on a sheet.

Hide a column

Select the January sheet in the Wages workbook

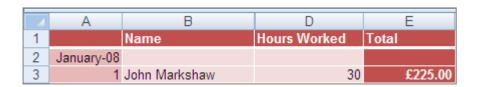
You are going to hide column C.

- Select Column C
- Click the Format command in the Cells group on the Home tab
- ➤ Hover the mouse pointer over the **Hide & Unhide** option



Click Hide Columns

Column C is hidden.



You can hide any number of columns simultaneously by first selecting all the columns to be hidden and then selecting Hide from the shortcut menu.

Rows can also be hidden using the same procedure.

Unhide a column

- > Select columns B to D (i.e. use Shift NOT Ctrl, or use a dragging method)
- > Click the Format command
- ➤ Hover the mouse pointer over the **Hide & Unhide** option
- > Click Unhide Columns



If you have hidden column A you will not be able to select the columns on either side of it in order to unhide it - there is no column to the left of A. To unhide column A, on the row containing the column headings, point to the line between the row numbers and column B, click the right mouse button and choose Unhide from the shortcut menu.

Right-click here	→ †	→ B	С	D	E
	1	Name	Hourly Rate	Hours Worked	Total
	2				
	3	John Markshaw	£7.50	30	£225.00
	4	Susan Jones	£5.50	15	£82.50
	5	Nita Sonhil	£8.00	37	£296.00

USING COMMENTS

Comments can be used in your worksheet in order to provide additional information in a cell or range of cells.

INSERTING A COMMENT

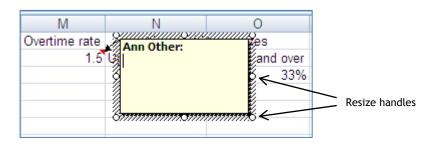
Select the March sheet in the Wages workbook

You are going to add a comment to the cell containing the value for the overtime rate (M2).

- > Select the cell M2
- > Select the **Review** tab
- Click New Comment in the Comments group of commands



A box is opened ready for you to type your comment.



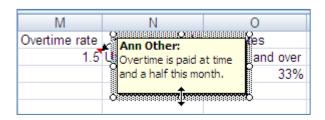
Notice that Excel enables you to see which users added comments, by inserting the user's name at the top of the comment.

Type the following in the comment box:

Overtime is paid at time and a half this month.

Notice the circular resize handles around the comment box.

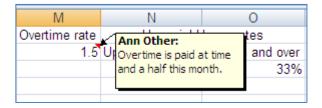
Move the mouse pointer over the resize handle on the bottom edge and drag upwards to reduce the height of the box



Click on any cell to close the comment box

- Excel puts a red triangle in the top right of the cell to indicate that a comment has been added
- Move the mouse pointer over the cell M2

The comment is displayed until the mouse is moved away.





Add the following comment to cell H1:

Hours worked over the Easter weekend.

Add short comments of your own to two other cells in the March sheet

EDITING A COMMENT

You will edit the comment in H1 to include the date of the Easter weekend.

Click cell H1

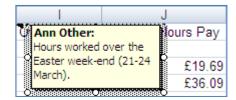
The Insert Comment button on the ribbon changes to Edit Comment.

> Click the Edit Comment button



The comment box is opened ready for your changes or additions.

Add the text (21-24 March) to the end of the comment



Click into another cell to close the comment

DISPLAYING COMMENTS

The default behaviour is for comments to be hidden until the mouse pointer hovers over the cell. It is possible however, to permanently display some or all of the comments on a worksheet.

Displaying an individual comment

To display the comment in H1:

- Select the cell H1
- Click Show/Hide Comment in the Comments group of commands



The comment is now displayed on the worksheet and will remain displayed until you decide to hide it once more.

With cell H1 still selected:

Click Show/Hide Comment again

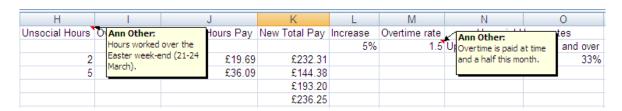
The comment in H1 is hidden.

Displaying all comments in the worksheet

To display all the comments:

Click Show All Comments in the Comments group

All the comments on the sheet are now displayed.

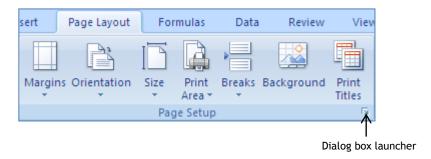


To hide the comments:

Click Show All Comments once more

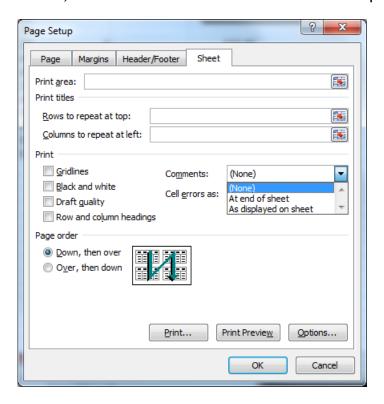
PRINTING COMMENTS

- Display all the comments on the March worksheet
- Select the Page Layout tab
- Use the Orientation button to change the layout to landscape
- Click the Page Setup dialog box launcher



The Page Setup dialog box is displayed.

- > On the Page tab, select Fit to 1 page wide by 1 tall
- > Select the **Sheet** tab
- > In the Print section, click the down-arrow in the Comments option box



The options available enable you to print the comments 'At end of sheet' or 'As displayed on sheet'.

- > Select As displayed on sheet
- > Click the **Print Preview** button

The Print Preview shows the sheet on one page with all your comments displayed.

- Print the sheet
- > Hide the comments on the sheet
- > Save the workbook

WORKBOOK VIEWS

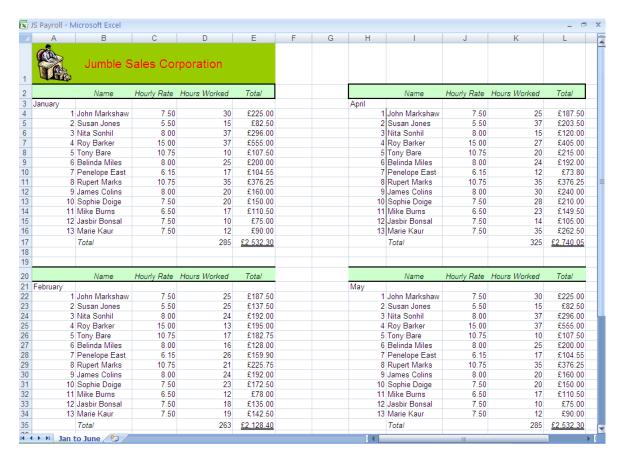
The default way that Excel displays a workbook is called the Normal view. However there are other display options that may be more suitable depending on the task that you are doing and the size of the worksheet.

Open the workbook JS Payroll

When working on a worksheet of this size, you can reduce the amount of vertical scrolling by viewing the sheet in full screen mode.

- Select the View tab
- Click Full Screen in the Workbook Views group

The full screen is used to display the worksheet.



Press Esc to cancel Full Screen mode

The Page Layout view splits the sheet into its separate pages, showing the header and footer for each page and the white space in the margins.

- Click Page Layout in the Workbook Views group
- Use the scroll bars to move between the different pages

The page layout view enables you to see the pages as they would appear when printed. This is useful if the design of the page is critical - you can see what the page looks like while you work on the spreadsheet.



Hiding the ribbon

The ribbon can be hidden in any of the display modes by double-clicking on one of the ribbon tabs. This can provide useful additional space for your sheet.

Double-clicking on the tab once more will unhide the ribbon.

To return to the normal display mode:

Click Normal in the Workbook Views group

Excel also allows you to customise the display.

- > Switch to the Wages workbook
- Ensure that the March worksheet is selected

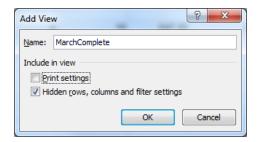
This worksheet is rather wide. It has a number of columns that are used to perform calculations, but most of the time you are not interested in seeing the data in those columns. You will therefore hide these columns and define the two different displays as custom views to enable you to switch easily between them.

Click Custom Views in the Workbook Views group

The **Custom Views** dialog box is displayed.



- Click Add...
- Type MarchComplete as the Name of the view
- Remove the tick from Print Settings since we have not configured any special settings that we wish to recall

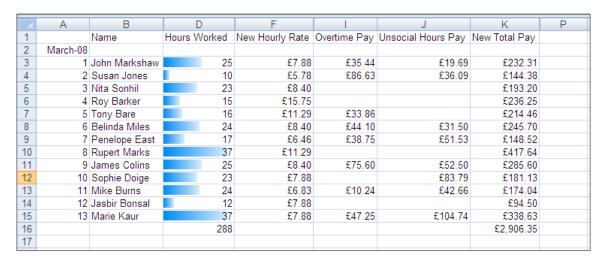


Click OK

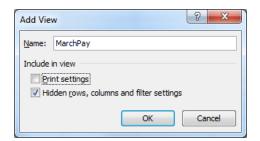
You will not notice any change. All that has happened is that you have defined a custom view that you can return to at the click of a button.

You will now hide some of the columns and define a second custom view.

Hide columns C, E, G, H, L, M, N, and O



- Click Custom Views
- > Add the view as before, using the name MarchPay



Click OK

To switch between custom views:

Click Custom Views

You should now have two views defined in the Custom Views dialog box.



- Select MarchComplete
- > Click the **Show** button

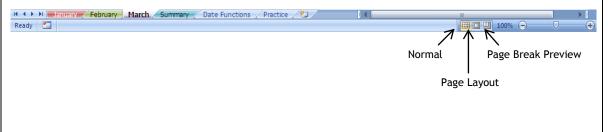
The display returns to the original view with all the columns expanded.

- > Select the **January** sheet
- Click Custom Views
- Select MarchPay
- Click the Show button

The March sheet is automatically selected and only the columns that you wish to see are displayed.



Shortcuts to some of the views buttons are available on the status bar:



The Split command enables you to view distant parts of the worksheet at the same time.

- Switch to the JS Payroll workbook
- Select cell F18
- Click Split in the Window group on the View tab

Boundary lines are inserted above and to the left of the selected cell, thus splitting the sheet into four parts.

- Hide the ribbon to provide more viewing space
- Use the four scroll bars as necessary to display the figures for January, March, April and June (you may need to reduce the magnification slightly)



To return to the original window:

Click Split once more

PAGE BREAKS

Excel automatically includes page breaks when a page is full, but you can force a page break earlier if you need to.

Inserting a page break

- Ensure that the workbook JS Payroll is still open and selected
- Select cell E17
- > Click the Page Layout tab
- Click the Breaks command in the Page Setup group
- Select Insert Page Break from the list of options

You will see by the dotted lines, that a page break has been inserted between rows 16 and 17 and one between columns D and E.

This is not a useful page break so you will remove it.

Removing a page break

- Ensure that E17 is still selected
- Click Breaks in the Page Setup group on the Page Layout tab
- Select Remove Page Break

You will add another page break, but this time you want to ensure that the January, February, April and May figures are each on separate pages. Choosing any cell between F18 and H20 should achieve an acceptable page break. For this exercise we will use H20.

- > Select H20
- Insert a page break using the Breaks command
- > To see the effect of the page break select the Page Layout view

You will notice that the spreadsheet is displayed on four pages.

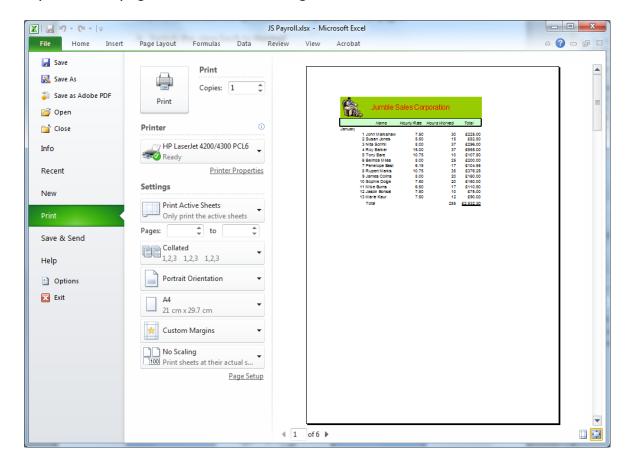
- Switch the view back to Normal
- Insert a further page break so that each of the six monthly figures will appear on a separate page
- Use the Page Layout view to check the six pages

Print Preview is another option that can be used to check the layout of the pages.

To see a print preview of the pages:

- Select the File tab
- Click Print

A preview of page 1 is shown on the right of the screen.



> Use either the scroll bar or the Next Page button to view the other pages
To remove all manually inserted page breaks:

- > Select the Page Layout tab
- Click the Breaks command in the Page Setup group
- Select Reset All Page Breaks
- Close the JS Payroll workbook without saving any changes
- Save and close the Wages workbook

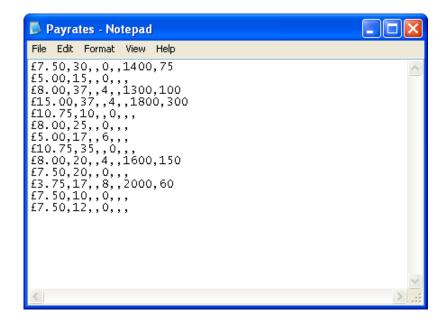
IMPORTING DATA

You may want to import data from another workbook, or perhaps another source. For this exercise you will import data into a worksheet, then practice adding formulas and functions to calculate pay.

IMPORTING DATA FROM TEXT FILES

Excel will allow you to import a variety of file types from various sources, including the CSV (comma separated variable) file type. This is particularly useful because most software packages that handle data can save files in CSV format. A CSV file can also be prepared directly using Notepad or a similar application. Data records in CSV format are shown in rows, with fields separated by commas.

There are other similar text-based formats that use characters such as a semicolon, space or tab instead of a comma to separate the data fields. For this exercise, the data you will import includes commas as shown in the example below. It is important to note that there are an equal number of commas in each line. Where data is missing, the position is still shown by typing two commas, one after the other.



Open the Payroll workbook from the ExcelIntermediate folder

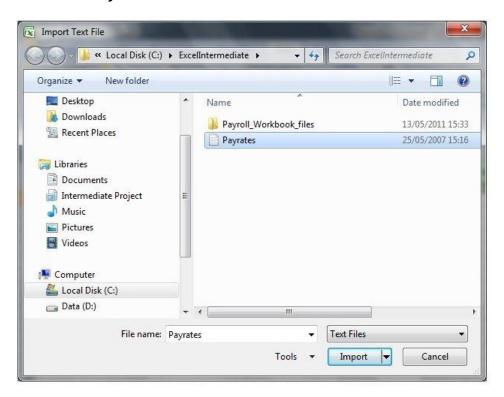
You will import data into the worksheet, starting at cell C2.

- > Select C2
- Select the Data tab

Select From Text in the Get External Data group

The Import Text File dialog box is displayed.

- > Ensure that you are looking in the ExcelIntermediate folder on the C drive
- > Select the file Payrates



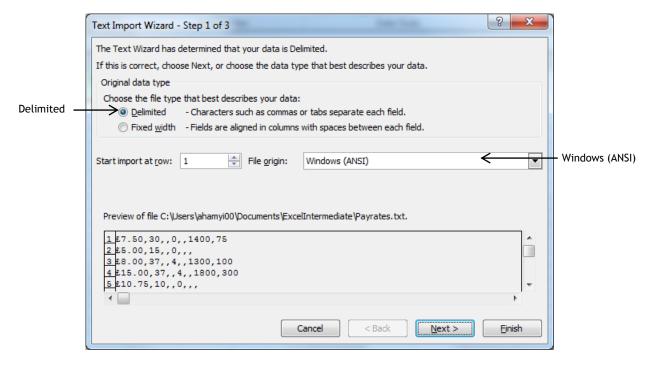
Click Import

The **Text Import Wizard** dialog box is displayed.

Step 1 of 3

You can see that some assumptions about the data to be imported have already been made.

> Ensure that the **Delimited** option is selected



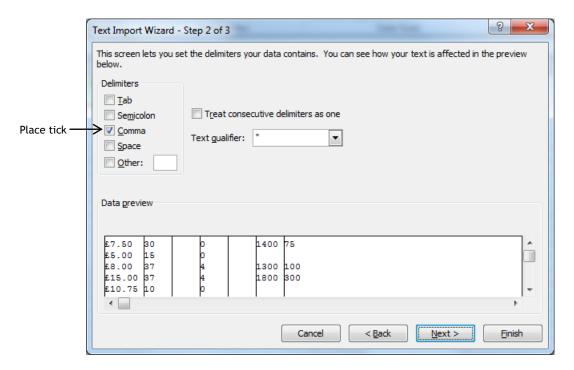
- > Ensure that the File origin: option box displays Windows (ANSI)
- Click Next

Step 2 of 3

This step lets you set the delimiters your data contains, in this case commas.

In the Delimiters area:

- > Remove the tick from Tab
- > Select Comma



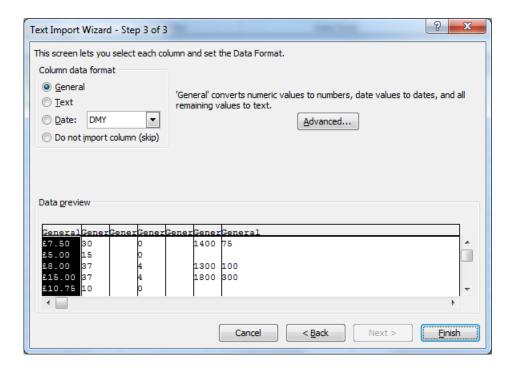
Notice that the Data preview changes to show the data separated into different columns when the correct delimiter is selected.

Click Next

Step 3 of 3

Using this screen you can specify the format of individual columns. All the columns have been set to the General data format. To change the format for any column, you simply select the column in the Data Preview and click the relevant data format.

Notice also that you do not have to import all columns.



Click Finish

The Import Data dialog box is displayed.



- Check that C2 in the existing worksheet is indicated
- Click the Properties button

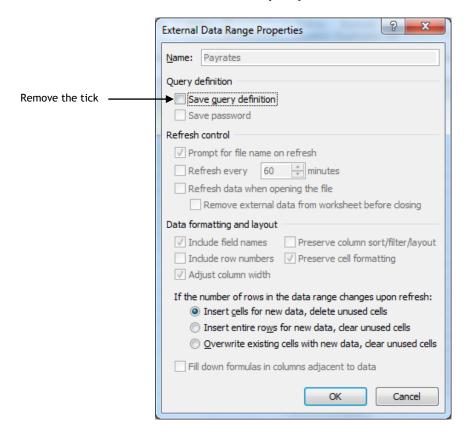
The External Data Range Properties dialog box is displayed.

The settings in this dialog box controls whether or not a link to the original data is created and how often the data should be refreshed.

A link is created by default.

To break the link with the source data:

Remove the tick from the Save query definition check box



- Click OK to save the changes
- Click OK to complete the import

The data from the text file is copied into the worksheet.

Make the cells wide enough to display all the data and column headings

4	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н	1	J	K
			Hourly	Hours	Basic	Overtime	Overtime			Pay for	
1	_	Staff Name	Pay	Worked	Pay	Hours	Pay	CC	Mileage	Mileage	Total Pay
2	Corporation	John Markshaw	£7.50	30		0		1400	75		
3	at at	Susan Jones	£5.00	15		0					
4	ō	Nita Sonhil	£8.00	37		4		1300	100		
5	Ĕ	Roy Barker	£15.00	37		4		1800	300		
6	ŏ	Tony Bare	£10.75	10		0					
7		Belinda Miles	£8.00	25		0					
8	Sales	Penelope East	£5.00	17		6					
9		Rupert Marks	£10.75	35		0					
10	ë	James Colins	£8.00	20		4		1600	150		
11	풑	Sophie Doige	£7.50	20		0					
12	Jumble	Mike Burns	£3.75	17		8		2000	60		
13	,	Jasbir Bonsal	£7.50	10		0					
14		Marie Kaur	£7.50	12		0					

This next section is a revision of some of the functions and formulae that you used earlier in the course.

Hints are provided for you and, if necessary, you can look at the relevant section of the training document for more help. However, try to work the calculations out for yourself first.

Calculate the Basic Pay



- ➤ In cell E2 enter a formula to calculate the Basic Pay for the first employee (Hourly Pay * Hours Worked)
- Copy the formula down to the other employees

Calculate the Overtime Pay (paid at 1.75 times the normal rate)

- ➤ In cell B16 type Overtime Rate
- In C16 type 1.75 (ensure that it is not displayed as currency)
- In G2 type a formula that will calculate the overtime pay for the first employee, using an absolute cell reference as appropriate (Hourly Pay * Overtime Rate * Overtime Hours)
- Copy the formula down the column to the other employees

Calculate the pay for Mileage

Using the IF function

Next you will calculate the amount each member of staff is paid for mileage. The rate of pay per mile is determined by the engine size of the car so you will use the logical function (IF). (You used this on page 47 to calculate the pay for Unsocial Hours.)

> As you have used this function before, calculate the Mileage Cost yourself. Help in producing the calculation is printed on the next page. Use the following data in the calculation:

Jumble Sales Corporation has agreed to reimburse members of staff for petrol costs at the following rates per mile, depending upon engine size:

> Up to 1600cc 35p Over 1600cc 45p

Enter the following data at the bottom of the worksheet

	В	С
18	Up to 1600cc	0.35
19	Over 1600cc	0.45

In J2, enter a formula, using the IF function, to calculate the amount the first employee is reimbursed for using his own vehicle for business purposes

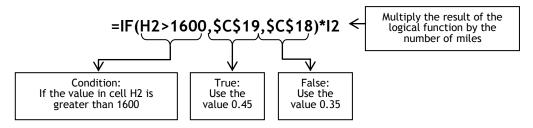
Help is given on page 86 if you need it!

Help with the IF function:

In cell J2, you are creating a logical formula to calculate the amount to be claimed by John Markshaw for travel (Pay for Mileage)

The structure of the formula will be:

So for John Markshaw the formula will be:





Note the use of absolute references when specifying the cells containing the rates per mile (C18 and C19).

Copy the formula in J2 to all employees

You will see error indicators in two of the cells - this will be covered in the next section.

Error indicators

As you copy the formula to the other employees, you will notice that an error indicator is displayed in two of the cells.



	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н	- 1	J	K
			Hourly	Hours	Basic	Overtime	Overtime			Pay for	
1	_	Staff Name	Pay	Worked	Pay	Hours	Pay	CC	Mileage	Mileage	Total Pay
2	Corporation	John Markshaw	£7.50	30	£225.00	0	£0.00	1400	75	26.25	
3	at	Susan Jones	£5.00	15	£75.00	0	£0.00			#VALUE!	
4	ō	Nita Sonhil	£8.00	37	£296.00	4	£56.00	1300	100	35	
5 6 7	Ĕ	Roy Barker	£15.00	37	£555.00	4	£105.00	1800	300	135	
6	ŏ	Tony Bare	£10.75	10	£107.50	0	£0.00			0	
	S	Belinda Miles	£8.00	25	£200.00	0	£0.00			0	
8	ales	Penelope East	£5.00	17	£85.00	6	£52.50			0	
	S	Rupert Marks	£10.75	35	£376.25	0	£0.00			0	
10	Jumble	James Colins	£8.00	20	£160.00	4	£56.00	1600	150	52.5	
11	Ĕ	Sophie Doige	£7.50	20	£150.00	0	£0.00			#VALUE!	
12	₹	Mike Burns	£3.75	17	£63.75	8	£52.50	2000	60	27	
13	1	Jasbir Bonsal	£7.50	10	£75.00	0	£0.00			0	
14		Marie Kaur	£7.50	12	£90.00	0	£0.00			0	
15											
16		Overtime Rate	1.75								
17											
18		Up to 1600cc	0.35								
19		Over 1600cc	0.45								

This particular error indicator implies that a cell referenced in the formula does not have a numerical value.

Check the data in all the cells that were used to produce the pay for the mileage calculation in J3

Did you find anything that could have produced this error?

Place the insertion point in cell I3

While the cell looks like it is empty, there is a space in it.

> Delete the space

The error indicator is removed from J3.

Check cell I11 and delete the space

To complete the exercise:

- > Format the Pay for Mileage values as currency
- In cell K2, use a formula that will calculate the Total Pay for John Markshaw
 =Basic pay + Overtime pay + Pay for Mileage
- > Replicate the formula down to the other employees

	Α	В	С	D	Е	F	G	Н	- 1	J	K
			Hourly	Hours	Basic	Overtime	Overtime			Pay for	
1	_	Staff Name	Pay	Worked	Pay	Hours	Pay	CC	Mileage	Mileage	Total Pay
2	Corporation	John Markshaw	£7.50	30	£225.00	0	£0.00	1400	75	£26.25	£251.25
3	at	Susan Jones	£5.00	15	£75.00	0	£0.00			£0.00	£75.00
4	ō	Nita Sonhil	£8.00	37	£296.00	4	£56.00	1300	100	£35.00	£387.00
5	Ĕ	Roy Barker	£15.00	37	£555.00	4	£105.00	1800	300	£135.00	£795.00
6	റ	Tony Bare	£10.75	10	£107.50	0	£0.00			£0.00	£107.50
7	S	Belinda Miles	£8.00	25	£200.00	0	£0.00			£0.00	£200.00
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15											
16		Overtime Rate	1.75								
17											
18		Up to 1600cc	0.35								
19		Over 1600cc	0.45								

> Save the worksheet

COPYING DATA FROM A WORD DOCUMENT

You will copy a list of Hotels, currently saved in a Word document, into the workbook. This is a short exercise but it will show you how easily data can be copied from a Word document.

- Insert a new sheet in the Payroll workbook
- > Rename the new worksheet Hotels
- > Open the Word document called Hotels

The document contains a tabbed list.

- > Select the list of hotels
- Click the Copy button
- > Return to the **Payroll** workbook
- > Paste the list into cell A3 in the Hotels worksheet
- Make the cells wide enough to display all the data

1	А	В
1		
2		
3	Courtyard	Hounslow
4	Holiday Inn	Leeds
5	Hilton Resort	London
6	Sheraton	Birmingham
7	Forte Posthouse	Edinburgh
8	Marriot	Glasgow
9	The Garden House	Coventry
10	Hilton Hotel	Northampton

- Save and close the Payroll workbook
- Close Word



Text typed into a Word table can also be copied into a worksheet.

IMPORTING DATA FROM AN ACCESS DATABASE

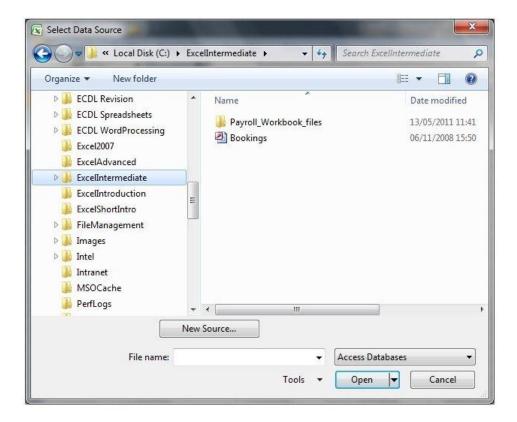
You do not need any knowledge of Access for this exercise. However if you intend to import data from Access on a regular basis it would be advantageous to have a basic understanding of the application.

You will import the Hotel Bookings table from a database called Bookings.

- Create a new blank Excel workbook
- Ensure that A1 is selected, since you want the imported data to start at A1
- > Select the **Data** tab
- Click From Access in the Get External Data group of commands

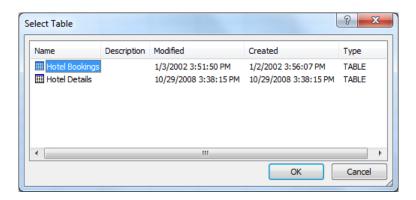
The Select Data Source dialog box is displayed.

> Locate the ExcelIntermediate folder on drive C



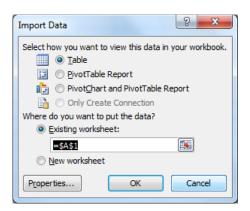
- Select the Bookings database
- Click Open

This database contains more than one table so the **Select Table** dialog box is displayed.



- > Ensure that the Hotel Bookings table is selected
- Click OK

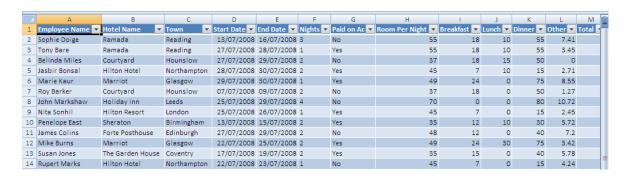
The Import Data dialog box is displayed.



To import the data into the current worksheet:

- Ensure that the Existing worksheet radio button is selected
- ➤ Click OK

The data from the database is inserted into the worksheet and formatted as a table.



- > Rename the worksheet: Bookings
- Format H2 to M14 as Currency

Now calculate the total expenses:

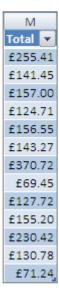
➤ In cell M2 create a formula that will calculate the Total Expenses for Sophie Doige:

=(Breakfast + Lunch + Dinner + Other) + (Nights * Room Per Night)



- ➤ Look at the formula could you simplify it? (Perhaps use the Sum function to add Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner and Other.)
- > Copy the formula down to the other employees

Your answers should be:

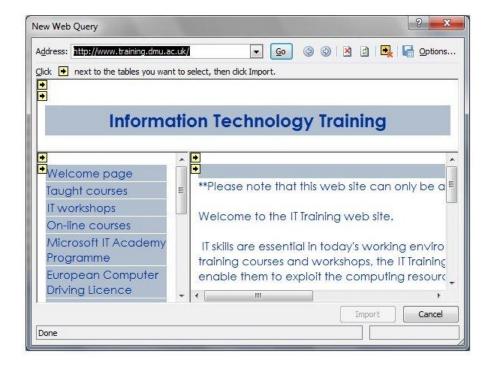


- Save the workbook as Hotel Bookings in the ExcelIntermediate folder on drive C
- Close the workbook

IMPORTING DATA FROM AN HTML FILE

- Open the Payroll workbook
- > Ensure that the **Data** tab is selected
- Click From Web in the Get External Data group of commands

The New Web Query dialog box is displayed.

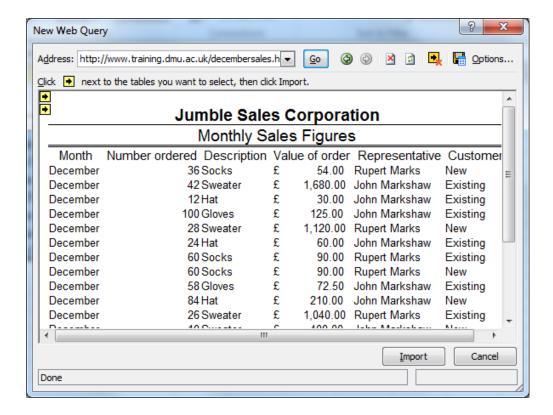


Excel identifies the tables in a web page and places a marker ▶ at the top left corner of each table. This is to allow you to select the table that you want to import.

- Move the mouse pointer over the table markers to see an outline of the area that each marker represents
- ➤ In the Address box, type:

http://www.training.dmu.ac.uk/DecemberSales.htm

Click Go



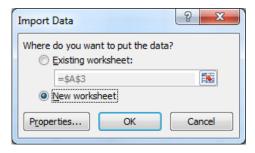
This web page has only one table so there is no need to select the table before importing. If no table is selected the whole page is imported.

Click Import

The Import Data dialog box is displayed.

To import the data into a new sheet:

> Select the **New worksheet** radio button



➤ Click OK

The information from the web page is displayed in the worksheet.

- Rename the worksheet December Sales
- Save the workbook

EXPORTING DATA TO A WORD DOCUMENT

Exporting data into a Word document is a relatively simple operation using the Copy and Paste process. The data can be either copied as a snapshot or a linked copy.

CREATING A SNAPSHOT

A standard Copy and Paste will create a snapshot copy.

- > Ensure that the **Payroll** workbook is still open
- > Select the July worksheet
- Select cells B1 to K14
- Click the Copy command on the Home tab
- Launch Word
- In a new document, change the Margins to Narrow and click Paste

The data is copied into the Word document in table format. The data is now completely separate from that stored in the Excel workbook and can be edited as a Word table.

0. "1	Hourly	Hours	Basic	Overtime	Overtime	00	N.C.	Pay for	Total
Staff Name	Pay	Worked	Pay	Hours	Pay	CC	Mileage	Mileage	Pay
John Markshaw	£7.50	30	£225.00	0	£0.00	1400	75	£26.25	£251.25
Susan Jones	£5.00	15	£75.00	0	£0.00			£0.00	£75.00
Nita Sonhil	£8.00	37	£296.00	4	£56.00	1300	100	£35.00	£387.00
Roy Barker	£15.00	37	£555.00	4	£105.00	1800	300	£135.00	£795.00
Tony Bare	£10.75	10	£107.50	0	£0.00			£0.00	£107.50
Belinda Miles	£8.00	25	£200.00	0	£0.00			£0.00	£200.00
Penelope East	£5.00	17	£85.00	6	£52.50			£0.00	£137.50
Rupert Marks	£10.75	35	£376.25	0	£0.00			£0.00	£376.25
James Colins	£8.00	20	£160.00	4	£56.00	1600	150	£52.50	£268.50
Sophie Doige	£7.50	20	£150.00	0	£0.00			£0.00	£150.00
Mike Burns	£3.75	17	£63.75	8	£52.50	2000	60	£27.00	£143.25
Jasbir Bonsal	£7.50	10	£75.00	0	£0.00			£0.00	£75.00
Marie Kaur	£7.50	12	£90.00	0	£0.00			£0.00	£90.00

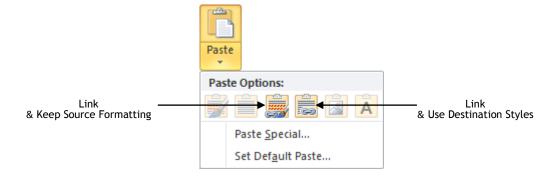
- Press Enter a couple of times to leave a gap below the table, ready for the next exercise
- > Save the Word document with the name Copied Data

CREATING A LINKED COPY

Use this method if you wish to retain a link to the Excel worksheet. When the worksheet is updated and saved, the next time the Word document is opened, you will see the updated data.

- > Switch to the **Payroll** workbook
- > Select cells **B1** to **K14** on the **July** sheet
- Click Copy
- > Switch to the Copied Data Word document
- Click the down arrow on the Paste button in the Clipboard group

There are two options that will create a linked copy.



Click the Link & Keep Source Formatting option

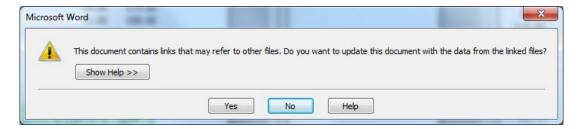
The data is copied into the Word document as an object.

	Hourly	Hours	Basic	Overtime	Overtime			Pay for	
Staff Name	Pay	Worked	Pay	Hours	Pay	CC	Mileage	Mileage	Total Pay
John Markshaw	£7.50	30	£225.00	0	£0.00	1400	75	£26.25	£251.25
Susan Jones	£5.00	15	£75.00	0	£0.00			£0.00	£75.00
Nita Sonhil	£8.00	37	£296.00	4	£56.00	1300	100	£35.00	£387.00
Roy Barker	£15.00	37	£555.00	4	£105.00	1800	300	£135.00	£795.00
Tony Bare	£10.75	10	£107.50	0	£0.00			£0.00	£107.50
Belinda Miles	£8.00	25	£200.00	0	£0.00			£0.00	£200.00
Penelope East	£5.00	17	£85.00	6	£52.50			£0.00	£137.50
Rupert Marks	£10.75	35	£376.25	0	£0.00			£0.00	£376.25
James Colins	£8.00	20	£160.00	4	£56.00	1600	150	£52.50	£268.50
Sophie Doige	£7.50	20	£150.00	0	£0.00			£0.00	£150.00
Mike Burns	£3.75	17	£63.75	8	£52.50	2000	60	£27.00	£143.25
Jasbir Bonsal	£7.50	10	£75.00	0	£0.00			£0.00	£75.00
Marie Kaur	£7.50	12	£90.00	0	£0.00			£0.00	£90.00

To test the link:

- > Save and close the Word document
- > Switch to the Payroll workbook and select the July sheet
- ➤ Change cell **F3** to show that Susan Jones has worked **10** hours overtime
- > Save the workbook
- Switch to Word and open the document Copied Data

A message is displayed asking if you want to update the linked data.



> Click Yes to update

Notice that while the first table has not changed, data in the linked object has updated to show the changes.

	Hourly	Hours	Basic	Overtime	Overtime			Pay for	
Staff Name	Pay	Worked	Pay	Hours	Pay	CC	Mileage	Mileage	Total Pay
John Markshaw	£7.50	30	£225.00	0	£0.00	1400	75	£26.25	£251.25
Susan Jones	£5.00	15	£75.00	10	£87.50			£0.00	£162.50
Nita Sonhil	£8.00	37	£296.00	4	£56.00	1300	100	£35.00	£387.00
Roy Barker	£15.00	37	£555.00	4	£105.00	1800	300	£135.00	£795.00
Tony Bare	£10.75	10	£107.50	0	£0.00			£0.00	£107.50
Belinda Miles	£8.00	25	£200.00	0	£0.00			£0.00	£200.00
Penelope East	£5.00	17	£85.00	6	£52.50			£0.00	£137.50
Rupert Marks	£10.75	35	£376.25	0	£0.00			£0.00	£376.25
James Colins	£8.00	20	£160.00	4	£56.00	1600	150	£52.50	£268.50
Sophie Doige	£7.50	20	£150.00	0	£0.00			£0.00	£150.00
Mike Burns	£3.75	17	£63.75	8	£52.50	2000	60	£27.00	£143.25
Jasbir Bonsal	£7.50	10	£75.00	0	£0.00			£0.00	£75.00
Marie Kaur	£7.50	12	£90.00	0	£0.00			£0.00	£90.00

- > Close the Word document without saving
- Close Word



Excel charts may be copied and linked into a Word document in the same way.

WORKING WITH MULTIPLE WORKBOOKS

You may have more than one workbook relating to a particular subject. To enable you to use them efficiently you can arrange them together on the screen and save the arrangement for future use. This also enables you to open two or more workbooks simultaneously.

CREATING A WORKSPACE FILE

To open a group of workbooks in one step, you create a workspace file.

A workspace file saves information about all open workbooks, such as locations, window sizes, and screen positions. This information is used to locate and open the relevant workbooks.

In this exercise you will use two workbooks, Payroll and Hotel Bookings to create a workspace file.

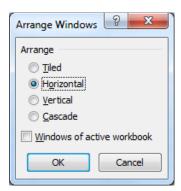
- Ensure that the Payroll workbook is still open
- > Open the workbook Hotel Bookings

The next step is to arrange the worksheets on the screen as you would like to see them when the workspace file is opened.

- > Select the **View** tab
- Click Arrange All in the Window group of commands

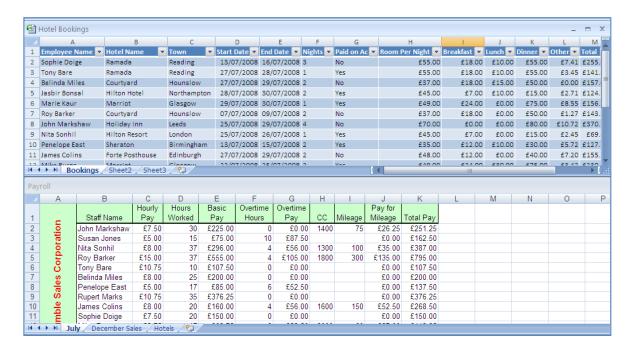
The Arrange Windows dialog box is displayed:

Select Horizontal



Click OK

The two open workbooks are arranged similarly to the following diagram:

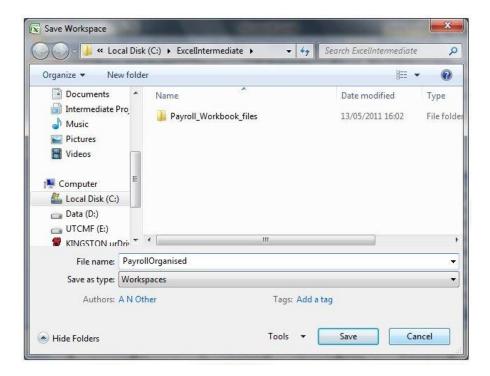


To save this arrangement as a workspace:

Click the Save Workspace button in the Window group

The **Save Workspace** dialog box is displayed.

> In the File name option box type PayrollOrganised



Click Save

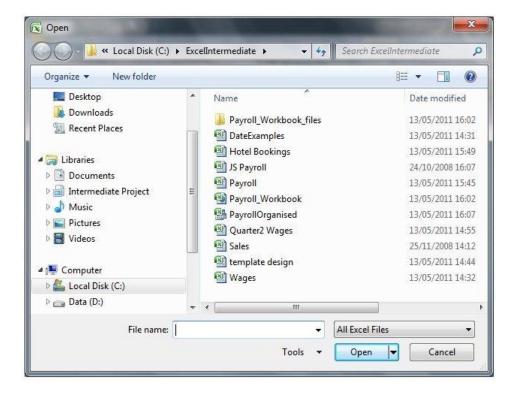


The workspace file does not contain the workbooks themselves, so you must continue to save changes you make to the individual workbooks.

Close the workbooks

To open the workspace:

- Select the File tab
- Click Open



- > Select PayrollOrganised
- Click Open

The workspace is opened showing the two workbooks.

Leave the workspace file open ready for the next exercise

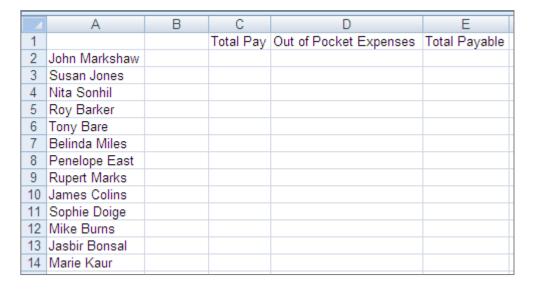
LINKING WORKBOOKS

You are now going to link two workbooks to create a summary page. This is similar to using figures from separate worksheets in a calculation but this time you will use different workbooks.

First you will prepare the summary sheet.

Both the Hotel Bookings and the Payroll workbooks should still be displayed in your workspace

- > Click the Payroll workbook to select it
- Insert a new worksheet and rename it **Summary**
- ➤ Copy the names from the July sheet (B2:B14) into column A of the Summary sheet, starting at A2
- ➤ In cell C1 type Total Pay
- In D1 type Out of Pocket Expenses
- > In E1 type Total Payable
- > Ensure that the columns are wide enough to display all the data



You will now add the figures for the Total Pay to the Summary sheet.

- In cell C2 type =
- Click the July sheet
- Select cell K2 (Total pay for John Markshaw)
- Press Enter to complete the formula in the Summary sheet
- > Click cell C2 to check the formula

The formula in the cell reads =July!K2

As you have used a cell from a different worksheet, the name of the worksheet is included in the formula but is separated from the cell reference by an exclamation mark.

Copy this formula for the other people on the payroll

Column G of the Hotel Bookings workbook shows that while some employees paid for their accommodation on account, others did not. Those who paid themselves need to be reimbursed by the company.

The first employee on the Bookings sheet who did not pay on account is Sophie Doige. Her hotel booking expenses need to be copied to cell D11 on the Summary sheet.

- > Select **D11** on the Summary sheet (Out of Pocket Expenses for Sophie Doige)
- ➤ Type =
- > Switch to the Hotel Bookings workbook
- Select cell M2 (Total expenses for Sophie Doige)
- Press Enter to complete the formula in the Summary sheet of the Payroll workbook
- Click cell D11 to check the formula

The formula in the cell is: ='[Hotel Bookings.xlsx]Bookings'!\$M\$2

Notice that to specify the cell, first the workbook is identified, then the worksheet, then the cell within the sheet. Notice also the use of square brackets around the workbook name.



- On your own, add the expenses of the other members of staff to the summary sheet. Remember to copy only those who did not pay on account.
- In cell **E2** on the Summary sheet, calculate the **Total payable** to John Markshaw, by adding the Total Pay and the Out of Pocket Expenses
- Copy this formula down for all the others on the payroll
- > Ensure that the values in columns D and E are formatted as currency
- Save the Payroll worksheet



IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER

If you have formulas that reference other workbooks you should not delete, move, or rename the workbooks as Excel will not be able to find them and any links will be broken.

Alternative method

In the previous exercise you searched for the staff who did not pay on account by looking through the records. This method can lead to errors, especially when the worksheet is large or when the data has been updated.

You will repeat the exercise, but this time using the IF function to check whether or not each member of staff has paid on account.

> Delete the contents of the range **D2:E14** on the **Summary** sheet of the Payroll workbook

The employee names need to be sorted in the same order in both sheets.

- Select the cells A2:C14 on the Summary sheet
- Click the Sort & Filter button in the Editing group on the Home tab



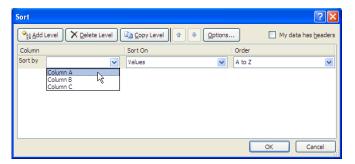


Select Sort A to Z from the list of options



The **Sort A to Z** option reorders the highlighted region by putting the first column in ascending order alphabetically.

If you want to sort the data on any other column you will need to use the **Custom Sort** option.



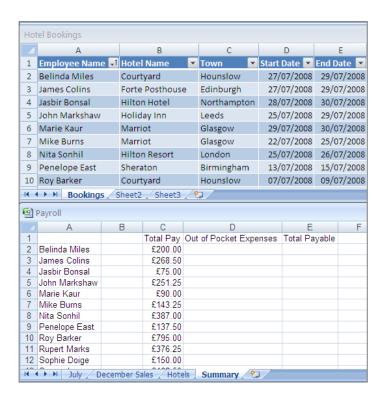
Then choose the column to sort on.

> Click any cell in the Employee Name column on the Bookings sheet

The data on the Bookings sheet is recognised as a table, so Excel will automatically rearrange the data in the whole table when you do a sort in any column.

- Click Sort & Filter button on the Home tab
- Select Sort A to Z

Both sheets should now have the names in the same order.



> Click cell **D2** on the **Summary** sheet

This cell will hold the Out of Pocket Expenses for Belinda Miles if she did not pay the Hotel fees on account. If she paid on account, then D2 must have a zero.

Create a formula using the IF function that will show the total hotel cost for Belinda in D2 if she did not pay on account, or otherwise show 0

One possible formula is given in the note at the bottom of this page. Compare it with the formula that you created.

- Copy the formula in D2 to the cells D3:D14
- ➤ In **E2**, calculate the total payable to Belinda Miles (Total Pay + Out of Pocket Expenses)
- Copy the formula in E2 to E3:E14



Save the workbook



One possible formula for the cell D2 on the Summary sheet is:

=IF('[Hotel Bookings.xlsx]Bookings'!G2="No",'[Hotel Bookings.xlsx]Bookings'!M2,0)

Interpretation:

The formula could be read as saying: If G2 in the Bookings sheet has the value "No", then use the value of M2 in the Bookings sheet, otherwise use 0.

Converting a Formula to Values

The data in column D is linked to the Bookings worksheet. Any changes made in the Bookings sheet will be reflected in the Summary sheet.

There may be times when you do not wish to retain this link. Instead, you want the present values to remain as they are, even if changes are made to the other sheet.

You will now edit the contents of column D on the Summary sheet so that the current values are kept but the link to the Bookings sheet is removed.

- Select D2:D14 on the Summary sheet
- Click Copy
- Click the down arrow on the Paste button
- Select Values (see page 63)
- Select any cell in the range D2:D14 and observe that the formula linking the cell to the Hotel Bookings workbook has been replaced by a constant value



'Marching Ants'

The 'marching ants' that surround the copied cells will disappear as soon as you continue to work on your worksheet.

Alternatively, press the Esc key.

- Save and close the Payroll workbook
- Maximise the Hotel Bookings workbook ready for the next exercise

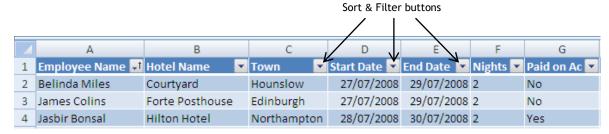
EXCEL TABLES

The data on the Bookings worksheet was formatted automatically as a table because it was imported from an Access table.

You saw on page 104 how easy it is to sort a table on any given column. You will now look at filtering the data in a table.

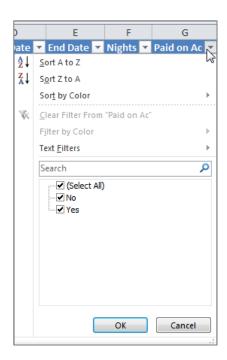
FILTERING DATA

When data is formatted as a table, a sort & filter button is included automatically in the first row of each column.



To filter the data and see only the employees who paid for the hotel expenses on account:

Click the Paid on Account Sort & Filter button in G1

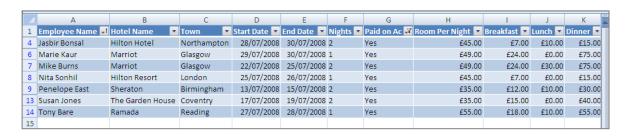


A box is displayed showing a list, in the bottom section, of all the values that exist in this column of the table.

A tick appears next to each value since no filter is set on this column as yet.

- Click the No check box to deselect this value
- ➤ Click OK

The data is filtered, showing only the records for those who paid on account.



To filter the data further and show only those who paid on account and stayed in the hotel for two nights:

- Click the Nights Sort & Filter button in F1
- Ensure that only the value 2 is ticked
- Click OK

The data is filtered further.



Filters can be removed either individually or all at the same time.

To remove the Paid on Account filter:

- Click the Paid on Account Sort & Filter button in G1
- > Click the Clear Filter From "Paid on Ac" option

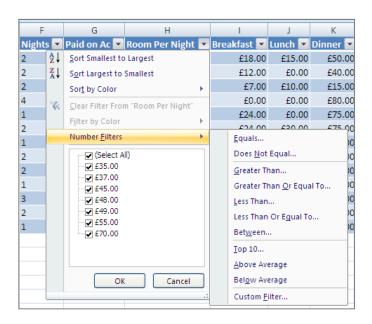
To remove all remaining filters and sorts:

- Ensure that you click on a cell within the table
- Click the Sort & Filter button in the Editing group on the Home tab
- Select Clear

A variety of Number Filters and Text Filters are available. The following examples illustrate how these can be used.

To display the records in which the cost of a room per night is between £40 and £50:

- Click the Room Per Night Sort & Filter button in H1
- > Point to Number Filters



> Select **Between...**

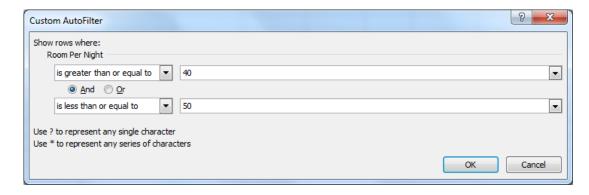
The **Custom AutoFilter** dialog box is displayed.

The Room Per Night is greater than or equal to value must be 40

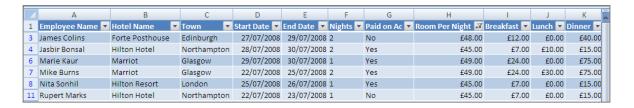
Key in 40 in the second column of the first row

The Room Per Night is less than or equal to value must be 50

Key in 50 in the second column of the second row



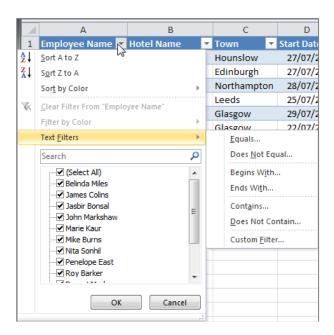
Click OK



- Check that all the records displayed do satisfy the condition of between £40 and £50 per night
- > Clear the filter

Next you will use Text Filters to display only the records of employees whose names begin with 'Ja' or 'S'.

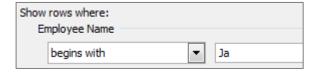
- Click the Employee Name Sort & Filter button in A1
- Point to Text Filters



Select Begins With...

The **Custom AutoFilter** dialog box is displayed, with **begins with** already selected in the first option box.

Key in Ja as the begins with value



Click the Or radio button to add the second condition

- Click the down arrow for the second Employee Name condition and select begins with
- Key in S as the begins with value



Click OK



- Check that all the displayed records satisfy the specified conditions
- Clear the filter
- Close the workbook without saving

Another useful feature of Excel tables is that it enables you to insert or delete rows or columns in the table without affecting the data around the table.

- > Open the Sales workbook
- Select the Qtr2 worksheet

This worksheet has two distinct but related sets of data.

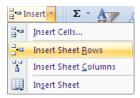
On the left you have a summary of the monthly sales of each item sold by the company, and on the right is a breakdown of the number of items sold by each member of the sales team over the quarter.

There is an error in the data, however, that needs to be corrected.

Notice that column M indicates that skirts were sold during the quarter, but this was omitted from the summary of monthly sales.

You need to insert this missing information, but are told that it cannot be added at the end of the existing list; it must be inserted into the list between trousers and jackets to maintain the correct order.

- Click cell A9
- > Ensure that the **Home** tab is selected
- Click the down-arrow on the Insert button in the Cells group of commands
- Select Insert Sheet Rows



This creates the space in which to put the missing item, but it also splits the data in the Individual Sales section on the right of the sheet.

This is not what you want.

> Click the Undo button on the Quick Access Toolbar to remove the blank row

One possible solution to the problem is to format the summary data as a table and insert a table row.

- Select the range A3:D12
- > Click the Format as Table button in the Styles group of commands
- > Select one of the table styles

The Format As Table dialog box is displayed, showing the range that you selected.



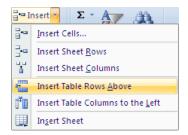
- Ensure that there is a tick in the My table has headers check box
- Click OK

The data is now recognised as a table.

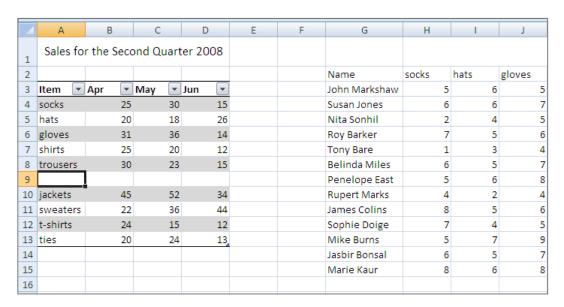
- > Select cell A9
- > Select the **Home** tab
- Click the down-arrow on the Insert button in the Cells group of commands

Your selected cell is within an Excel table, so you now have table options in the list of choices.

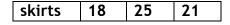
Select Insert Table Rows Above



A blank row is inserted in the table without affecting the other data.



Enter the following data in the new table row:



- > Save the workbook
- Close Excel

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