

# SharePointIntegration.Open(ExcelTemplate, Microsoft.SharePoint.SPListItem, String)

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## Description

Opens a spreadsheet from a SharePoint List Item.

### C#

```
public static void Open(this ExcelTemplate template, Microsoft.SharePoint.SPListItem listItem, String fileName)
```

### vb.net

```
Public Shared Sub Open(ByVal template As ExcelTemplate, ByVal listItem As Microsoft.SharePoint.SPListItem, ByVal fileName As String)
```

## Parameters

### *template*

The current ExcelTemplate object which is opening the file

### *listItem*

SharePoint List Item to which the file is attached

### *fileName*

The name of the file to open. The file must be a BIFF8 format (Excel 97 or later) .xls or .xlt file or an OOXML format .xlsx, .xlsm, .xltx, or .xltn file.

## Exceptions

### *ArgumentNullException*

[Open](#) will throw this exception if `null` (C#) or `Nothing` (VB.NET) is passed to the method.

### *ArgumentException*

## Remarks



This is an extension method for the ExcelTemplate object to be used for opening spreadsheets from SharePoint List Items. To use this method, you must add a reference to SoftArtisans.OfficeWriter.ExcelWriter.SharePointIntegration.dll