

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

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## Description

Opens and returns an existing [Document](#) from a SharePoint List Item.

### C#

```
public Document Open(this WordApplication wordApplication,  
Microsoft.SharePoint.SPListItem listItem, String fileName)
```

### vb.net

```
Public Function Open(ByVal wordApplication As WordApplication, ByVal listItem As  
Microsoft.SharePoint.SPListItem, ByVal fileName As String) As Document
```

## Parameters

### ***wordApplication***

The current WordApplication object which is calling Open

### ***listItem***

SharePoint List Item from which the file is being opened

### ***fileName***

Filename of the document to open from the List Item

## Returns

The document that is opened from the List Item.

## Exceptions

### ***System.Exception***

Thrown if an error occurs while opening the document.

## Remarks

Though the [WordTemplate](#) object currently supports Office Open XML (Word 2007) format files, [WordApplication.Open\(\)](#) does not yet support them.



This is an extension method for the WordApplication object to be used for opening documents from a SharePoint List Item from within SharePoint. To use this method, you must add a reference to SoftArtisans.OfficeWriter.WordWriter.SharePointIntegration.dll

## Examples

### C#

```
Document doc = app.Open(myListItem, "sample.doc");
```

### vb.net

```
Dim doc As Document = app.Open(myListItem, "sample.doc")
```