

# PowerPointTemplate.Open(String)

## Description

Opens a PowerPointWriter template presentation file from the specified disk location. A PowerPointWriter template is a file created in Microsoft PowerPoint that contains data markers where data source values will be inserted.

**C#**

```
public void Open(string filePath)
```

**vb.net**

```
Public Sub Open(ByVal filePath As String)
```

## Parameters

### *filePath*

The complete path and file name of the template PowerPoint presentation file.

## Exceptions

### *ArgumentException*

Open will throw this exception if null (C#) or Nothing (VB.NET) or an empty string is passed to the method. This exception will also be thrown if the specified template file is not of a valid PowerPoint Office Open XML (.pptx or .pptm) file format.

### *FileNotFoundException*

Open will throw this exception if the template's file path specified in the parameter is inaccessible or doesn't exist

## Examples

**C#**

```
//--- Open an Office Open XML PowerPoint (.pptx) file  
powerPointTemplate.Open(@"C:\MyApplication\templates\EmployeeTrainingSlidesTemplate.pptx");
```

## VB.NET

```
'--- Open an Office Open XML PowerPoint (.pptx) file  
powerPointTemplate.Open("C:\MyApplication\templates\EmployeeTrainingSlidesTemplate.pptx")
```