

ExcelApplication.Open(ExcelTemplate)

Description

Opens a [Workbook](#) from an [ExcelTemplate](#) object.

C#

```
public virtual Workbook Open(ExcelTemplate excelTemplate)
```

vb.net

```
Public Overridable Function Open(ByVal excelTemplate As ExcelTemplate) As Workbook
```

Parameters

excelTemplate

An ExcelTemplate object representing the workbook to open.

Returns

Workbook that is opened.

Remarks

If your template file is the new Office Open XML (.xlsx) format, you can pass it into the [ExcelApplication.Open](#) method just as you would a BIFF8 (.xls) Excel file. You will need to remember to give the output file a ".xlsx" extension when you call [Save](#) as ExcelWriter cannot convert .xlsx files to .xls

Exceptions

System.Exception

If there is a problem creating, opening, or writing to the file specified, or reading from the Workbook object.

Examples

C#

```
ExcelTemplate xlt = new ExcelTemplate();

//--- Do something with template here

ExcelApplication xla = new ExcelApplication();
xla.Open(xlt);
```

vb.net

```
Dim xlt As New ExcelTemplate()

'--- Do something with template here

Dim xla As New ExcelApplication()
xla.Open(xlt)
```