

Hello World Tutorial

Prerequisites

You will need ExcelWriter 8 installed in order to run the *Hello World* sample.

- If you haven't purchased ExcelWriter, you can download an evaluation version [here](#).
- If you need to install ExcelWriter, please visit the [install page](#) for instructions.

Downloads

You can download the code for the *Hello World* tutorial as a Visual Studio solution.

- [ExcelWriter_HelloWorldC#.zip](#)
- [ExcelWriter_HelloWorldVB.zip](#)

ExcelWriter Reference in Visual Studio

Create a .NET project and add a reference to the ExcelWriter library.

1. Open Visual Studio and create a .NET project.
 - The ExcelWriter *Hello World* sample code uses a web application.
2. Add a reference to SoftArtisans.OfficeWriter.ExcelWriter.dll
 - SoftArtisans.OfficeWriter.ExcelWriter.dll is located under **Program Files > SoftArtisans > OfficeWriter > dotnet > bin**

You can download the Hello World sample code (see above) to see the finished product.



Please check out [Adding OfficeWriter to your .NET Application](#) for more on getting started with OfficeWriter

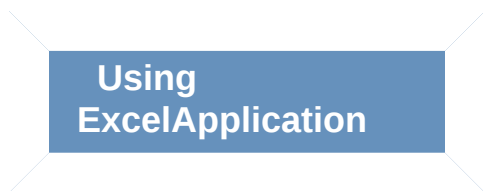
Template vs. Application based Approaches

ExcelWriter offers two approaches to generating, processing and manipulating Excel documents: ExcelTemplate and ExcelApplication. This tutorial will walk you through assigning the contents of a cell using ExcelTemplate and ExcelApplication.

Hello World: Template Based Approach

With ExcelTemplate we can insert our data into a specially formatted Excel file.

Using
ExcelTemplate



Hello World: Programmatic Approach

With ExcelApplication's full object-model, we can create an Excel file completely from scratch.

Using
ExcelApplication

