

# Hello World Tutorial

## Prerequisites

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

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

## Downloads

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

- [WordWriter\\_HelloWorldC#.zip](#)
- [WordWriter\\_HelloWorldVB.zip](#)

## WordWriter Reference in Visual Studio

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

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



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

## Template vs. Application based Approaches

WordWriter offers two approaches to generating, processing and manipulating Word documents: WordTemplate and WordApplication. This tutorial will walk you through writing a snippet of text to a word document using WordTemplate and WordApplication.

### Hello World: Template Based Approach

With WordTemplate, we can insert our data into a specially formatted Word file.

Using  
WordTemplate

### Hello World: Programmatic Approach

With WordApplication's full object-model, we can create a Word file completely from scratch.

Using  
WordApplication