Introduction to Microsoft Excel 2010

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Microsoft Excel 2010 Layout

Excel is a spreadsheet program that manipulates, graphs, and analyzes numeric data. Common uses for Excel are: budgets, grade books, address lists, or simple inventories.

The **Quick Access Toolbar** is a customizable shortcut menu to commonly used commands. It’s visible no matter which tab is selected.

The **Name Box** tells you the name/coordinates of the cell selected. Note how cell A1 is where column A and row 1 intersect.

The **formula bar** allows you to enter or edit data in the selected cell. Formulas and functions can also be entered.

A **row** is the line of cells from the left to the right of the page. Rows are numbered.

A **column** is the vertical line of cells from the top to the bottom of the page. Columns are alphabetized.

The **Ribbon** contains the commands. It has multiple tabs that have their own groups of commands. Some groups have an arrow at the bottom-right corner that will reveal more options once clicked.

Each tab will have **groups**

Click on a **Tab** to see the ribbon change with different commands

The arrow in the bottom-corner of groups will allow you to see more options for that group
Using your Mouse

If you hover your mouse over a cell you will see a White Block Cross (+), if you move the mouse pointer to the edge of the cell you will see this arrow symbol (←→), and if you move to the bottom right corner of the cell, you will see a small black cross (→). Each of these icons will allow you to do something different.

This symbol is what your mouse pointer will most often be. When this symbol is available you can select cells to enter data or change the format, or you can highlight specific columns or rows.

This arrowed cross is available when the mouse pointer is on the perimeter of cells. When this symbol is visible you can move the information from one cell to another, by click and holding the left mouse button and dragging to the new location. You can also move data from a range of cells.

This bold, black cross is available when the mouse is placed in the bottom, right corner of cells. When this symbol is visible, you can copy the information, including the formula from one cell to another, by clicking and dragging the mouse in the direction you want to go. This is a very useful tool and a big timesaver.

Modifying Columns, Rows, & Cells

When you first open an excel workbook, the cells, rows, and columns appear to have a set size. You can easily modify the default sizes, as well as add and delete.

Changing Column Width

1. Position your mouse over the column border in the top column heading. Your mouse pointer should change from a white cross (+), to a double arrow (←→).
2. Click and drag the column line to the right to increase the width.
3. Release the mouse button. The column width will remain where you release.

Tip! If you see hashtags (#######) in a cell, it means the column is not wide enough to display the cell’s content. Continue to increase the width to show the cell’s data.

AutoFit Column Width

1. Select the column(s) you would like to automatically adjust column width to fit cell data. Select column(s) by click and dragging across the column heading.
2. Click the Format command on the Home Tab. The Format drop-down menu appears.
3. Select AutoFit Column Width
Changing Row Height

1. Position your mouse on a row border in the first column where the rows are numbered. The white cross will change to a double arrow.
2. Click and drag the arrow downward/upward to increase the row's height.
3. Release the mouse and the row height will remain where the mouse was released.

Insert Rows

1. Select the row below where you want the new row to appear. Select the entire row by clicking on the numbered row heading.

   ![Click on the row number to select the entire row](image)

2. Click the Insert command on the Home tab.

   ![Click the Insert command on the Home tab to insert rows, cells, or columns](image)

Insert Columns

1. Select the column to the right of where you want the new column to appear. For example, if you want a new column between C and D, select column D.
2. Click the Insert command on the Home tab (same button used to insert rows).

Tip!

When inserting rows and columns, make sure you select the entire row or column by clicking on its heading (numbers for rows & letters for columns). If you only select a cell, then only a new cell will be created.

Wrapping Text and Merging Cells

When a cell contains more text than can be displayed, you can choose to wrap the text within the cell or merge empty cells together. Wrapping text makes the information display on multiple lines down, and merging cells will combine cells creating one big space for text.

To Wrap Text

1. Select the cells you would like to wrap text.
2. Select the Wrap Text command on the Home tab.
3. The text in the selected cells will be wrapped.

Tip! If you change your mind, click Wrap Text again to undo.
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Merge and Center Command

1. Select the cells you would like to merge.

2. Select the Merge & Center command on the Home tab.
3. The selected cells will be merged and the text centered.

Practice

In Cell A1 type – Player Name
In Cell B1 type – Game 1
In Cell C1 type – Game 2
In Cell D1 type – Game 3
In Cell E1 type – Total
In Cell F1 type – Average

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Now complete the spreadsheet with the information below

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Entering a Formula

Next we will calculate the totals for each player.

Click into Cell E2 (the total for John Jones).

We are going to enter a formula to calculate the total.

Type in \( = B2+C2+D2 \) and hit ENTER. This formula will add the number that is in Cell B2 to the number in C2, to the number in D2 and give you a total of 58.

When entering any formula in Excel you need to start with an equal sign \( = \), then you put in the cell references of the cells you want to add \( + \), subtract \( - \), multiply \( * \) or divide \( / \).

There is a quicker and easier way to add numbers, especially if you have a lot of columns or rows to add.

Using the AutoSum function

Place your mouse in Cell B3, get the symbol that will allow us to highlight the cells, \( \bigoplus \) click the left mouse button and drag all the way across the row until you get to cell E3, and let go of the mouse. On the top of the Home Tab to the right, you will see the Auto Sum button \( \Sigma \), click on this button and it will automatically add the cells for you.

Copying Formulas

Now it can get even easier, if you have a large number of items that you need to use the same formula for, you don’t want to keep re-keying that same formula for every row, so we can simply copy the formula down the rest of the rows. To do this, click on the cell that has the formula you want to copy, go to the bottom right hand corner and get the black cross symbol \( \bigoplus \), click the left mouse button and drag down through the rest of the rows and let go of the mouse. This will copy the formula down for the rest of the names.

Sorting & Filtering

If you are working with a large amount of data in your worksheet, sort and filter can make finding information faster. You can customize the order of your data alphabetically, numerically, by groups, and with multiple layers too. This class will be using the website GCFLearnFree.org’s sort and filter tutorials. Tutorials can be found at: [http://www.gcflearnfree.org/office2010/excel2010](http://www.gcflearnfree.org/office2010/excel2010)
Sort

Sort allows you to change or customize the order of your data. Do you want your attendance list to be alphabetized? Or order a column of numbers from smallest to largest? The sort command allows you to do this and not mess up the rest of your spreadsheet too. Below are some common sort commands.

**Sort Alphabetically**
1. Click in a cell of the column you want to sort alphabetically. You do not have to select your entire table nor the entire column.
2. Click on Sort & Filter in the Edit group of the Home tab. You could also click on the Data tab for Sort & Filter options too.
3. A dropdown menu will appear after you click on Sort & Filter in the Home tab. Select either Sort A to Z or Sort Z to A, depending on if you want to sort Ascending or Descending.
4. The data in your spreadsheet will sort. Related information across rows will be kept together when the sort is applied.

**Sort Numerically**
The steps to sort numerically are the same as sorting alphabetically shown above. Click on a cell in the column you want to sort numerically. Click on the Sort & Filter command in the Home tab, and select either Sort A to Z, which will sort the numbers smallest to largest, or Sort Z to A which will sort numbers largest to smallest. Again, corresponding data across rows will be kept together.

**Sort by Date or Time**
To sort a spreadsheet by date or time, do the same steps as sorting alphabetically as shown above. Make sure you select a cell in the column you want to sort by date/time. This time when you select Sort A to Z, the data will sort oldest to newest, or Sorting Z to A will make the data sort newest to oldest.

**Sort in an order of your choosing**
There may come a time when the alphabetical or numerical sort doesn’t fit your circumstances. You can tell Excel the order by which you want the data sorted. In class we will use the example of sorting by t-shirt size smallest to largest.

1. Click a cell in the column you want to sort.
2. Click on the Sort & Filter command in the Home tab.
3. Click Custom Sort… from the dropdown menu that appears.
4. Identify the column you want to sort by clicking on the drop-down arrow in the column field. In our example we will choose t-shirt size.
Continue custom sort from previous page

5. Leave Values selected in the Sort on field.
6. Click the drop-down arrow for the Order field.
   Click Custom List ...
7. Select NEW LIST, and enter the order you want the data sorted in the list entries box. After every entry press Enter on your keyboard. In this example we will type: Small [Enter] Medium [Enter] Large [Enter] X-Large[Enter].
8. Click Add to save the list. The t-shirt size list will now be in the Custom Lists field. Click OK.
9. Click OK to close the Sort dialog box and sort the data.

Sort with multiple levels
You can sort by more than one column. In our example, we will sort by homeroom number then by last name.

1. Click on the Sort & Filter command, and click Custom Sort.
2. Identify the first column you want to sort, in our example Homeroom #. Leave the other fields, Sort On and Order fields, the way they are.
3. Click Add Level.
4. Identify the next item you want to sort by. In this example, choose Last Name. Leave the Sort on and Order fields the same. Click OK.

Change the sort level priority here if you want one level to come before the other.
Filter
Filter is useful when you want to narrow down your data and hide other parts. You can filter text, dates, and numbers. You can also use more than one filter to further narrow your data. To use the filter command, you must have a spreadsheet that has a header row.

1. Click the Sort & Filter command in the Home tab. There is also a Filter command located under the Data tab.
2. Click on Filter.
3. Drop-down arrows will appear in every column in the header row.
4. Click the drop-down arrow in the column that you want to filter.
5. The filter menu appears.
6. Uncheck any boxes next to data that you do not want to view. Anything that remains checked will remain visible.
7. Click OK and your spreadsheet will be filtered. The data not visible is hidden temporarily. It has not been deleted.

To clear a filter
1. To undo a filter, click the drop-down arrow of the column that is filtered.
2. Choose Clear Filter From...
   This will undo the filter from the one column. To clear all filtering if you have filtered more than one column, click the Sort & Filter command from the Home tab, and click on Filter. This will “turn off” the filter command.
Printing

There are many options when printing in Excel. You can choose which parts of your spreadsheet to print and how it fits on the page.

To print:

1. Click on the File tab, then Print. This will take you to a print pane and preview screen.

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