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Word - doc vs docx File Type Differences

As the versions of Word evolve Microsoft has changed the file type for Word documents from version 2003 to 2007 and above. So here's what you need to know about these different file types.

Doc and docx files are both Word file format.

The **doc** extension (file type) has been used by Microsoft Word by Word 2003 and older versions. It is backwards and forwards compatible (all versions will open it) in Word.

The **docx** extension is the way Word 2007 saves files in this format because it uses a lot less memory space than a doc file. These file types can be used in version 2003, but there might be a loss of formatting. Because there were still many people still using 2003, Microsoft had to release a compatibility pack so that they can open docx files on their computer. Docx files are XML based because docx files take up smaller space than doc files – ultimately becoming zipped files.

Remember you can use doc and docx files in versions 2003 and above. So next time you get a Word file that is either a .doc or .docx don't sweat it – Word will handle it.

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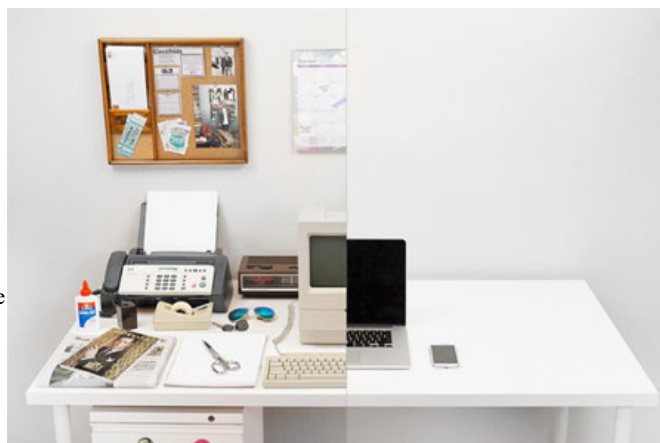
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Your Desktop in 1981 vs Now

If you think about your desktop (literally the top of your desk) in 1981 and then look at the top of your desk today and you will see a huge difference! Harvard Innovations Labs has created a video showing how things from your old desk top have morphed into a digital icon apps on your laptop or phone.

Back then our work desks were covered with calculators, encyclopedias, calendars, fax machines, corded phones, corkboards, rolodexs, alarm clock and other "old fashioned" tools.

Now all these items can be accessed on your smart phone and laptop and are totally portable. What a change, because can you image carrying a dictionary, rolodex, corded phone and alarm clock with you no matter where you go? See [this interesting video](#) showing how uncluttered technology has made our desks.



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