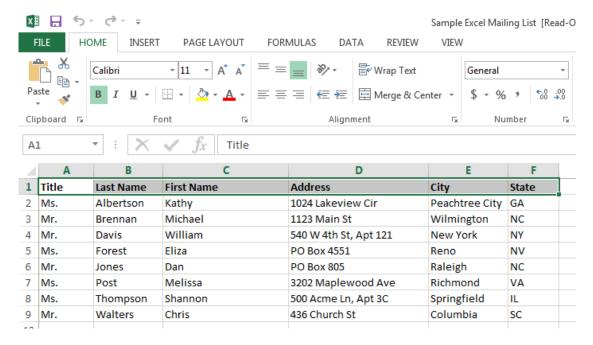
Mail Merge Instructions

Before Starting a Mail Merge: Setup the Excel Document

- 1. Open a **new or existing workbook** in **Excel** that has the address information you wish to mail merge.
- 2. Make sure that the **first row has labels for what is in each column** (ie. last name, first name, address, etc.). The order of the columns doesn't matter. You will use these labels to full in the mailing information later, so this step is extremely important.



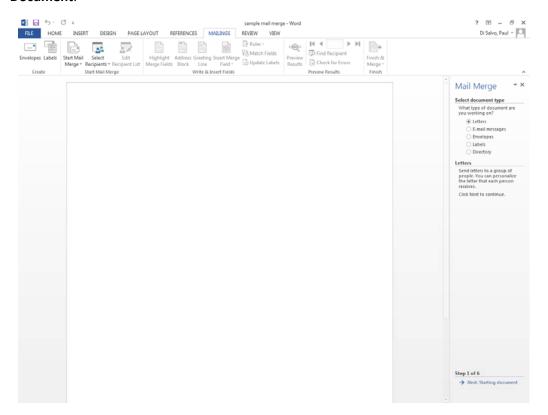
3. **Save** the excel document somewhere you can find it during the mail merge.

Starting Mail Merge

- 1. Open a new word document.
- 2. Go to the mailings tab and click start mail merge.
- 3. Choose the **step-by-step mail merge wizard** from the drop down menu. This will open the **Mail Merge Wizard** as a panel on the right-hand side of the screen.

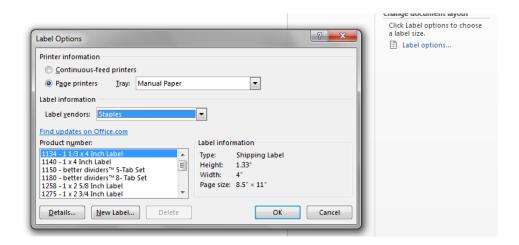


4. Select the document type that you desire in the **Mail Merge Wizard** and click **Next: Starting Document**.

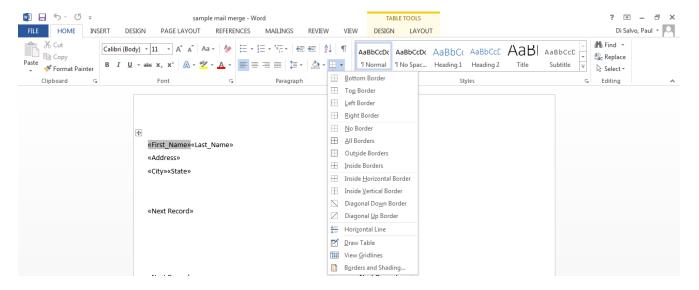


Instructions for Labels

- 1. To set the label brand and size, click Label options...
- 2. Leave the settings to **Page printers; Tray: Manual Paper**. Select a **label vendor** (ie. Avery, Staples, etc.) and the **product number** or size. Then click **ok** to close the window.

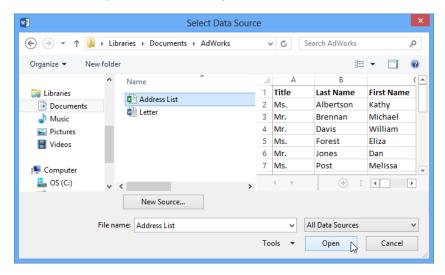


3. To have the document show you where the margins of the labels are, hold down the two keys **CTRL + a**. This will select the entire document.

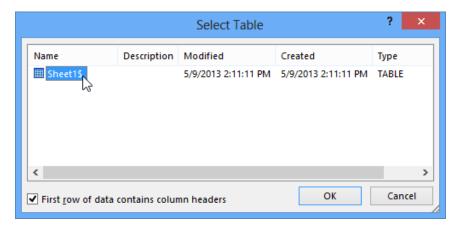


- 4. Next, click the drop down arrow next to the **Borders** icon, select **All Borders**. You will have to undo this before printing the labels, but that will be explained later in the instructions.
- 5. On the Mail Merge Wizard, click Next: Select recipients.

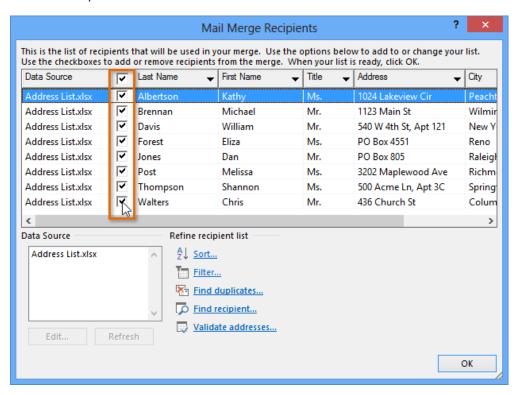
- 6. Under Select Recipients, select use an existing list. Then click Browse...
- 7. Locate your file and click **Open**.



8. If the address list is in an Excel workbook, select the **worksheet** that contains the list and click **OK**.

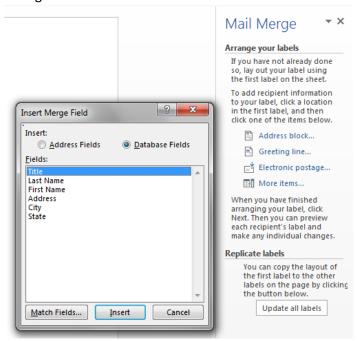


In the Mail Merge Wizard dialog box, you can check or uncheck each box to control which
recipients are included in the merge. By default, all recipients should be selected. When you're
done, click OK.



- 10. From the Mail Merge Wizard, click Next: Arrange your labels.
- 11. Click More items...

12. This will open up the **Insert Merge Field** window. Under **Insert...** select **Database Fields**. These are the column labels from your excel file. **Do NOT USE** Address Fields, as this will take the wrong information.

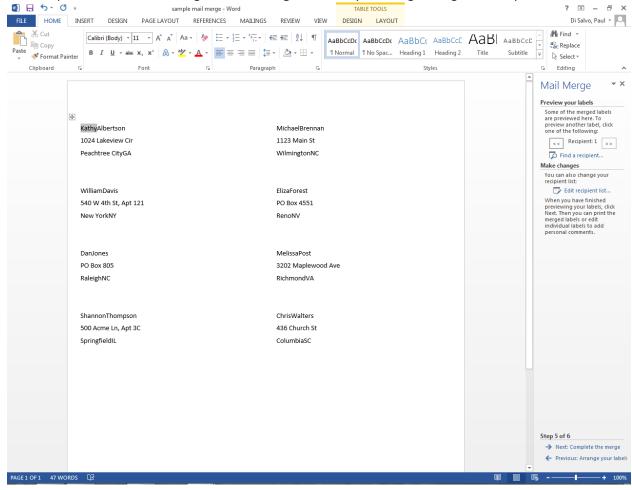


- 13. Select the **first field** you wish to add (ie. company name) and click **Insert**. Then select the **next field** you wish to show up (ie. address line 1) and click **Insert**. You DO NOT need to close the Insert Merge Field window after each Insert. Only close the window when you have added all the fields you want and are done.
- 14. The fields you selected will most likely not be formatted properly on your label. Use the space and enter keys to alter the first label to fit within the label guidelines.
- 15. Once the label is set up the way you want it, click the **Update all labels** button on the **Mail Merge Wizard**.

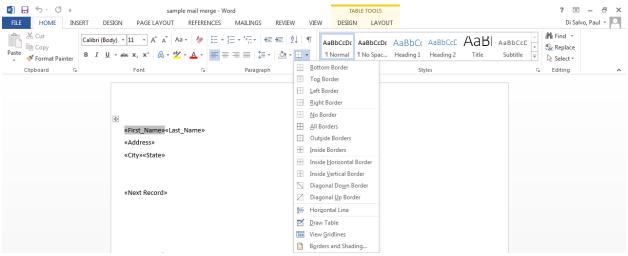


16. On the bottom of the Mail Merge Wizard, click Next: Preview your labels.

17. You can preview the labels using the Mail Merge Wizard by scrolling through the recipients.

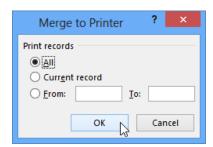


18. To remove the lines around the labels before printing, hold down the two keys **CTRL + a** . This will select the entire document.

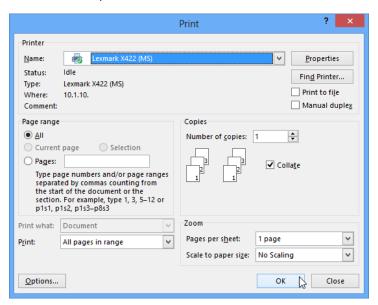


19. Next, click the drop down arrow next to the **Borders** icon, deselect **All Borders**.

- 20. Click Next: Complete the merge.
- 21. Click **Print...** to print the letters.
- 22. A dialog box will appear. Click All, then click OK.



23. The **Print** dialog box will appear. Adjust the print settings if needed, then click **OK**. The letters will be printed.



Instructions for Letters

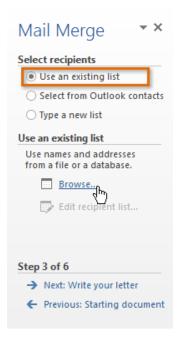
1. Choose the **type** of document you wish to create. In our example, we'll select **Letters**. Then click **Next: Starting document** to move to Step 2.



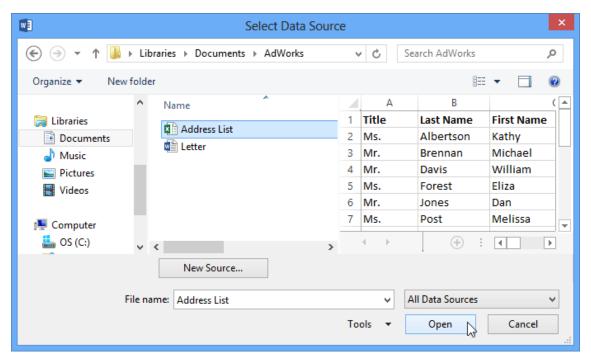
2. Select **Use the current document**, then click **Next: Select recipients** to move to Step 3.



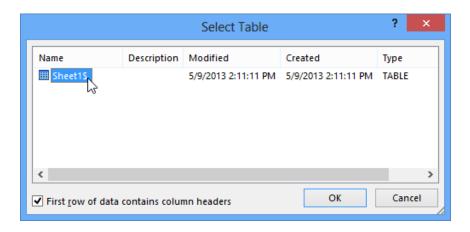
3. Now you'll need an address list so Word can automatically place each address into the document. The list can be in an existing file, such as an **Excel workbook**. From the **Mail Merge** task pane, select **Use an existing list**, then click **Browse...** to select the file.



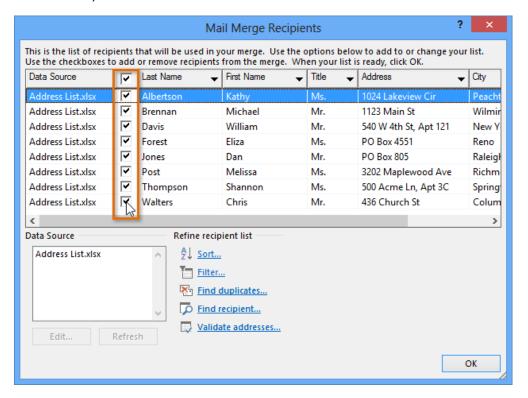
24. Locate your file and click Open.



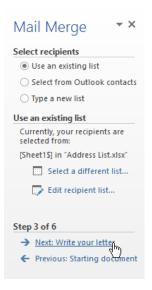
25. If the address list is in an Excel workbook, select the **worksheet** that contains the list and click **OK**.



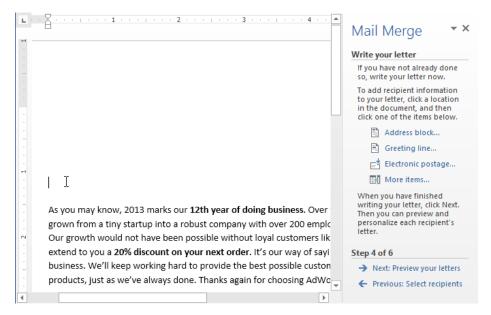
26. In the **Mail Merge Recipients** dialog box, you can **check** or **uncheck** each box to control which recipients are included in the merge. By default, all recipients should be selected. When you're done, click **OK**.



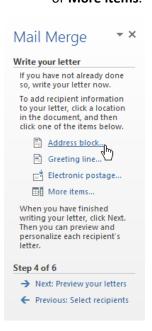
27. From the Mail Merge task pane, click Next: Write your letter to move to Step 4.



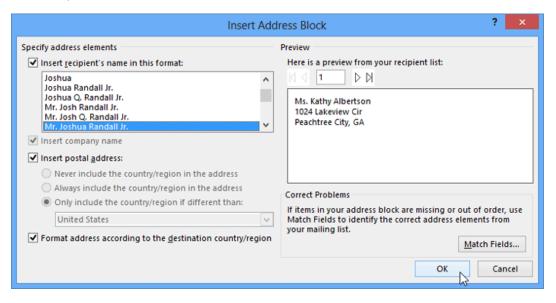
- 28. Now you're ready to write your letter. When it's printed, each copy of the letter will basically be the same; only the **recipient data** (such as the **name** and **address**) will be different. You'll need to add **placeholders** for the recipient data so Mail Merge knows exactly where to add the data.
- 29. Place the insertion point in the document where you wish the information to appear.



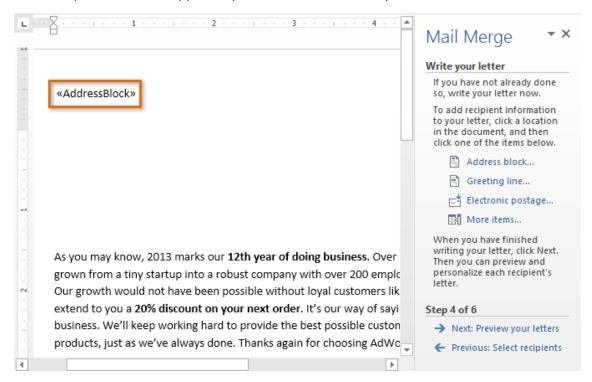
30. Choose one of the four placeholder options: Address block, Greeting line, Electronic postage, or More items.



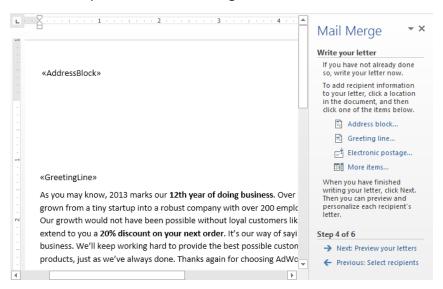
31. Depending on your selection, a dialog box may appear with various options. Select the desired options and click **OK**.



32. A placeholder will appear in your document. For example: «AddressBlock».



33. Repeat these steps each time you need to enter information from your data record. In our example, we'll add a **Greeting line**.

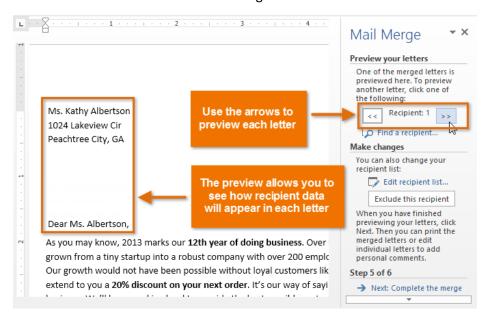


34. When you're done, click **Next: Preview your letters** to move to Step 5.

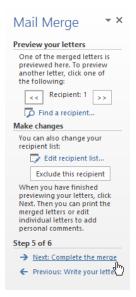


For some letters, you'll only need to add an **Address block** and **Greeting line**. Sometimes, however, you may wish to place **recipient data** within the body of the letter to **personalize it** even further.

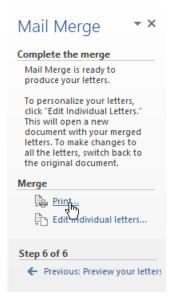
35. Preview the letters to make sure the information from the recipient list appears correctly in the letter. You can use the left and right scroll arrows to view each document.



36. Click **Next: Complete the merge** to move to Step 6.



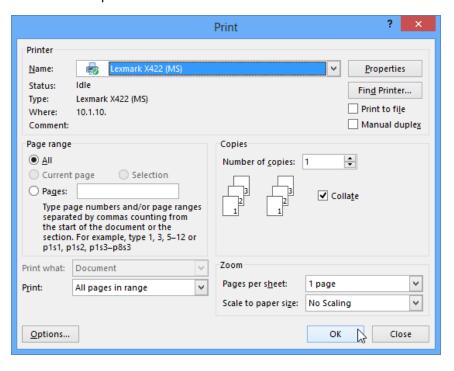
37. Click **Print...** to print the letters.



38. A dialog box will appear. Click All, then click OK.

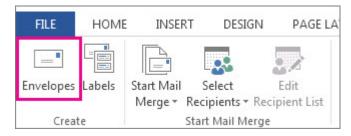


39. The **Print** dialog box will appear. Adjust the print settings if needed, then click **OK**. The letters will be printed.

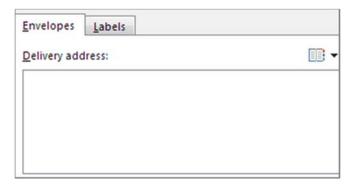


Instructions for Envelopes

1. Click Mailings > Envelopes.



2. In the **Delivery address** box, type some text.



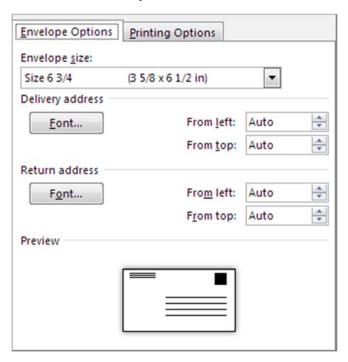
This is for testing the how the envelopes will look when you print them. It won't show up in your mail merge.

3. In the **Return address** box, type your return address.



4. Click **Options** > **Envelope Options** tab.

5. In the Envelope size box, click the choice that matches the size of your envelopes.



If none of the choices matches your envelope size, scroll to the bottom of the list, click **Custom size**, and type your envelope's dimensions in the **Width** and **Height** boxes.

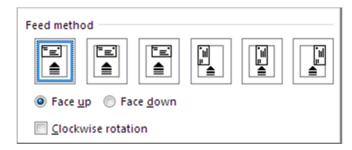
- 6. Click Font in the Delivery address and Return address sections to choose a font.
- 7. Make any position changes you want in the **From left** and **From top** boxes.

The **Preview** area shows you the envelope layout.

8. Click the **Printing Options** tab.

Your printer sends Word information about which way the envelope should be loaded into the printer. This information appears under **Feed method**.

9. Load the envelope the way it's shown under **Feed method**.



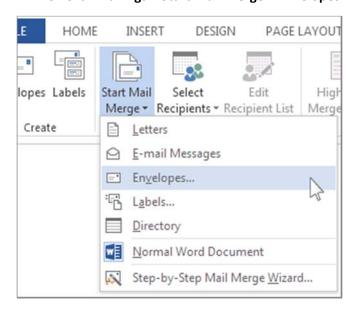
- 10. Click **OK**.
- 11. Click **Print** to print the envelope.
- 12. When Word prompts you to save the return address, click Yes.

- 13. Check that the envelope printed correctly.
- 14. If the envelope didn't print correctly, try adjusting the **Feed method** options.

When your test envelope prints the way you want, you're ready to begin the merge.

Start the mail merge

15. Click Mailings > Start Mail Merge > Envelopes.



16. In the **Envelope Options** box, click **OK**.

You already set this up when you were printing your test envelope.

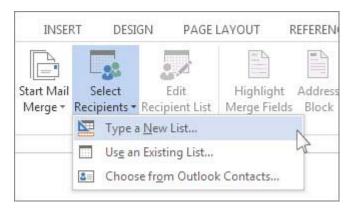
Word creates a document that's sized to the envelope dimensions.

The return address appears in a frame on the page. To see the frame for the delivery address, click where you expect the address to appear.

17. Connect the envelopes to your address list

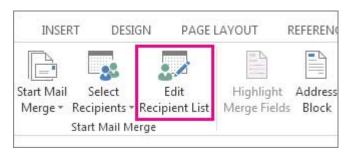
On the Mailings tab, click Select Recipients and click the option that matches your list.

If your mailing list is in an Excel spreadsheet, click **Use Existing List**. Then browse to your list and click **Open**.

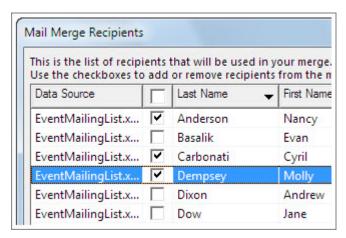


If you're printing envelopes for everyone on your list, skip ahead to step 4. If you're contacting only some of the people on your list—for example, people who live within 20 miles of your event—choose which people you want to include.

18. Click **Edit Recipient List**.

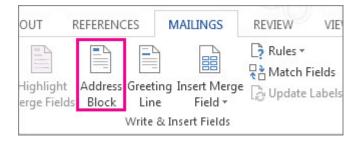


19. Check the names of the people you want to send your letter to.



You can also sort or filter the list to make finding names and addresses easier.

19. Add the Address Block to the envelope. Click where you want the addresses to appear, and then click **Address Block**.

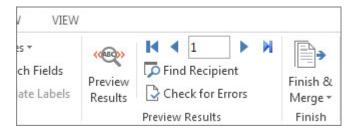


20. Choose how you want the name to appear.



TIP To be sure Word finds the names and addresses in your list, click **Match Fields**. Check that the fields you want appear in the list. If a field you want says **Not Matched**, click the drop-down list for that field and then click the column name that matches that column in your list.

21. Print the envelopes. Click **Preview Results**, and then click the arrows to make sure the names and addresses on the envelopes look right.



22. Click Finish & Merge > Print Documents.

