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Microsoft Word 5.5 für MS-DOS
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Title: How do I import an old Word 5.5 text file into modern text
processors (i.e. OpenOffice)?

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Introduction:

Bad things first. It is not possible to import an old Word 5.5
*.txt file directly into a modern text processor. Modern word
processing systems (i.e. OpenOffice Apache 4.1.5 / macOS High
Sierra) usually have import filters for text files from the
Windows 3.X but no longer from the DOS era.

For this reason a small detour via Windows 3.0 and Word 6.0 must
be inserted first. But this step only takes a few minutes!

Step 1:

Write your text file with Word 5.5 (DOS) or open your <u>old</u> text
file and see if everything is still fine.

Step 2:

Save the file in the Word 5.5 DOS format (*.txt).

Step 3:

Start Windows 3.0 and open the *.txt file with Word 6.0 and see
if everything is fine. I only changed the font to *Courier 10cpi*.
Then save the file in the Word 6.0 format. Change the file
extension to *.doc!

Step 4:

Transfer your text file into your new OS system (i.e. macOS High
Sierra). Therefor I use my home FTP-Server. This works perfectly;
no sneaker network needed!

Step 5:

Open/import your Word 6.0 *.doc file in your text processing
system, i.e. OpenOffice Apache 4.15. That's all. Export/save the
file into a PDF/A file. Done.