

Introduction Three topics

- Create Lists built-in tools
- Using Excel with Create Lists
- Creating a review file with a set of barcodes (if time)

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- The default character set Excel uses when importing files is intended for American English with no diacritics.
- Using the default character set results in this type of garbled text.
- Also, if a cell contains only numbers, Excel assumes it can store it as a number in the internal Excel format.
- You also see similar problems like ISSNs being stored as dates if the sequence of numbers looks like it just might be a date.

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'How to' shown in movie on next slide



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- In this situation, I had created a list of items with their checkouts and in-house use.
- A staff member then went through and removed any items from the list that we wanted to retain.
- We now have a spreadsheet of those items we want to withdraw.
- Stacks Maintenance, however, wanted to have only a single line for each call number as it would be easier for the students doing the work.
- Instead of manually removing the lines with duplicate call numbers, I used Excel's Remove Duplicates tool shown in the video on the next slide.

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I've also used the Remove Duplicates tool when I needed the list of unique values in a field (e.g., location codes) in a set of records.

You can combine the Text to Columns and the Remove Duplicates tool to examine the main part of URL's – or to analyze pieces of Millennium PAID fields, etc.

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I sometimes can't foresee what data I'll need in a spreadsheet until I actually begin manipulating the data.

At times, I've spent hours manipulating a spreadsheet, only to realize that I'll need an additional bit of information for each record in the spreadsheet.

Instead of beginning all over with the exported data and trying to recreate the work I've already done, I just add a new column in the spreadsheet, export the new field from Millennium, and merge the new and old data.

For this to work, you have to have a common match point in both sets of date – often a record number – bib, item or order depending on what I'm doing. The next slide is a video of how to do this.



Using VLOOKUP step 1:

- Import data
- Make sure there is a common match point
- Cleanup
- Sort

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Using VLOOKUP step 2:

- Add new data to new spreadsheet in the same workbook
- Insert a new column
- Create your formula and add it to all rows
- Cleanup

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VLOOKUP(lookup_value, table_array, col_index_num, [range_lookup])

- Lookup_value: the cell address of the value in this spreadsheet that I want to look up in the new spreadsheet
- Table_array: the top left and bottom right cells of the new spreadsheet; NOTE: VLOOKUP will always check for the match point in the left most column of the new spreadsheet
- Col_index_num: the column that contains the data you want to display in the main spreadsheet
- Range_lookup: when TRUE is used, Excel will accept an approximate or close match; FALSE forces Excel to only use exact matches



We had a large list of VHS tapes we were considering withdrawing. We wanted to know which ones had seen use in the past two years, which had been on reserve, and if a faculty member had checked out the video as we could assume they checked it out to show in class. We needed to know all this so that we could order DVD or streaming video replacements for videos that were being used in class.

In this situation, I needed to know if the Last Patron that checked a the item out (which is recorded by Millennium in the item record) was a faculty member, e.g., if the number in the LPATRON field was present in a separate list of faculty patron numbers



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Here is the first step in using Excel's MATCH function to check for the presence of a value in a separate list







MATCH(lookup_value, lookup_array, [match_type])

- Lookup_value: the cell address of the value I want to look up in the new spreadsheet
- Lookup_array: the first and last cells in the new spreadsheet that I want Excel to check
- Match_type: for FALSE (or zero), MATCH finds the first value that is exactly equal to lookup_value

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If MATCH doesn't find the lookup_value in the second list, it returns a #N/A error (Not Available).

Displaying a lot of #N/A values in the column makes it harder to find the values were interested in.

We can test to see if MATCH is returning a #N/A error by using the ISNA function, in other words, we asking MATCH if it didn't find the value we were looking for.



We then wrap everything up in a standard IF function. The formula above says if the MATCH return value is the #N/A error, we want Excel to display a blank cell (the double quotes with nothing between them), but otherwise (if the lookup_value is found) we want it to display "Yes" (or some other value)

IF(logical_test, value_if_true, value_if_false)



WLN programmers

One of the most commonly used tools was a program that split a file into two subsets – the records matching some criteria in the first set, and the records not matching the criteria in another set



In this case, we were transitioning from the single record approach to the multiple record approach so we could allow patrons to limit based on the MAT TYPE code in Millennium bib records. In this step, I needed to analyze the size of various types of records that needed to be split into separate records based on physical formats.

First I created a list of all bib records that had items records attached for both a web location and a non-web location.

Then, I needed to create sets of those records that we could work on, one set at a time.

So first, I pulled out all the Government Document books.

From the remaining records, I pulled out all the Canadian Government books.

And repeated the process many times – each time pulling some new set of records from the records remaining after the last step.



Millennium, however, doesn't provide a means of putting one set of records in one review file, and the records that didn't match the criteria in a separate review file. The way to do this is to add a marker to the records that match the new criteria, pull out the records with the marker into a one review file, and pull out the records without the marker in a separate review file.

The use of a record marker makes many very difficult tasks much easier.

In this case, I decided to add a 902 field in the bib record, with the field contents XX (use something that you know will never occur in that field in your database)



- One of the librarians wanted to review all the books in the Music Library that had more than one copy so they could consider withdrawing some of the added copies. In our catalog, the copy number in the item field is not always trustworthy.
- So, I created a file of all the bib records in the location of interest (or with a specific call number range, etc.).