

## Re: MS Word / Excel File Viewer API

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Does Java allow you to create a Word object thru which you can automate Word?

If so, you can access the Word doc via Automation.

I've never tried to automate the viewer, so I dunno if it can be done.

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<http://www.standards.com/>; See Howard Kaikow's web site.

"David" <dave\_shattuck@hotmail.com> wrote in message news:8968b4bb.0403201850.17d20a87@posting.google.com...

> I am hoping that someone might be able to provide me with a link to an  
> API which can read MS Word (or even Excel) formats. Microsoft offers  
> a free downloadable viewer and this is what I want IF it were also an  
> API which could be interfaced in Java. I need to be able to 'grab'  
> the page previews of Word documents. I don't care about manipulating  
> the document - only being able to see the document and taking that  
> image for use in my own program.

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> Any ideas of tools out there or ways of doing this in Java?

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> Thanks in advance!