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## Excel find duplicate text in two sheets

The Compare Tables add-in compares two Excel lists for duplicate and unique rows. Duplicate rows are the rows in both the first and second rows. Unique rows are the rows in Table 1 but missing in Table 2. The add-in looks for duplicates and uniques based on the selected key columns. Dupes and only ones are identified only in Table 1. Before you start instances of Excel, make sure both tables are open in Excel. They can be in different files, but the add-in will compare them as long as they are open in the same instance of Excel. Backup copies We recommend that you keep the Create a backup copy of the worksheet check box selected because Excel does not undo changes made by the add-in. Click the Compare Tables icon in the Dedupe group on the Ablebits Data tab: Once the add-in starts, the step at the top of the window appears. First, select the range with Table 1: All changes will be applied to the table that you selected in this step. If you select only one cell in the table, the add-in automatically shows the range used at the beginning. You can change the range by manually editing it in the Select the first table field, using the Select Range icon, or simply choosing the right cells in Excel. In this step, you can view all the workbooks and worksheets that are open in the Select the second table field. Choose the second Excel worksheet to check for the same values: Note. If the second table is in another workbook, be sure to open it before you start the add-in. Click any cell in a table and automatically select the entire range that you are using. If you only need to use a specific range for the comparison, click the Select Range icon and highlight the cells you need. Tip. If you realize that something was incorrectly chosen, you can always go back to the previous step by clicking the Back button. When you choose the second table, click Next. Here's what you're looking for in Table 1: Select Duplicate Values to find entries in both Table 1 and Table 2. Choose Unique Values to mark rows in Table 1 that are missing in Table 2. Click Next. This step displays a list of columns in both Excel spreadsheets. Select the columns in the first table and the corresponding columns on the second worksheet to compare them and check for duplicate or unique data. you can indicate whether header rows are available The help of Table 1 with headers and Table 2 have header options, respectively. You can also check the contents of the first row to make sure you match the right records. If tables have blank cells, select the Ignore blank cells option to ignore them when searching for duplicates and uniques on two Excel worksheets. Take advantage of the Auto Selection button to quickly select all columns with matching headers. Click Clear All to remove the selection from all columns. When you have chosen the columns, click the Next button. Finally, finally, can choose how to handle duplicate or unique rows found. The add-in offers many options: you can remove duplicate or unique values from the first table by checking the delete values. To change the background color of the rows found, select Highlight with Color and select the shade you need from the drop-down list. If you choose select values, the rows with excel duplicates or uniques found will simply be highlighted in the first spreadsheet. Select the Identify in Status column option to insert a special column in the main table and mark duplicates or unique: you can also copy or move the results found to another location: a new Excel workbook, a new or existing worksheet. For this reason, select the required option and select the location of the result. Click Finish and Voila! The dupes or the only ones are in your Table 1 and processed in the way you need! It seems to be pretty easy with the latest excel, but unfortunately we don't have that version at work. I'm trying to find a way to highlight or mark items in our inventory from two separate Excel sheets which items are duplicates. Everything I searched online didn't work or I can't understand exactly the formula. We have Microsoft Excel from 2003. I'm trying to set up a worksheet to highlight duplicates across multiple sheets. If a value repeats on a sheet, I want it to be highlighted. I know how to perform conditional formatting for a single column, but I'm not sure how to get this to check for duplicates on multiple sheets. The formatting is the same on each sheet. I just don't want people working on the same files at once, so highlighting duplicates would be ideal. Could someone explain how I can achieve this and how to set the formula if necessary? Edit: I forgot to mention that I'm in Excel 2016. 10-12-2009, 17:06 #1 I have to compare 2 spreadsheets per day to find numbers that match and which ones remain. The first list of numbers is in column A of a spreadsheet and the second in column A of another spreadsheet. Is there a quick way to identify the corresponding numbers so you don't have to take a look at the whole list, highlighting each game as you take me off? I appreciate all the ideas! 10-12-2009, 5:46 pm #2 you can use conditional formatting. I don't know how to get into the CF section of Excel 2007, but in Excel 2003 it would be about applying this logic. 1) In sheet 2, highlight the values in column A 2) With the data highlighted, Sheet2Data in the Name box (just to the left of the formula bar) to give the entire dataset a reference name 3) On sheet1, highlight the values in the A 4) With the data highlighted, Sheet1Data in the Name box (just to the left of the formula bar) to give the entire dataset a reference name 5) Select Format &gt; Conditional Formatting 6) Select Condition1: Formula is: =COUNTIFS. DATA2,A1)&gt;0 7) Click Format... Reasons: Yellow color 8) OK &gt; OK All values on sheet1 that match sheet2 sheet2 highlighted in yellow. Repeat steps 5 through 8 above in sheet2, but use the range named Sheet1Data in the CF formula. \_\_\_\_\_ Microsoft MVP 2010 - Excel Visit: Excel Files &amp; Macros by Jerry Beaucaire If you've been given a good help, use the following icon to provide reputation feedback, it's appreciated. Always put the code between the code tags. [CODE] your code here [/CODE] None of us are as good as all of us - Ray Kroc Actually, I'am\* a rocket scientist. - JB (the little ones count!) 10-12-2009, 19:06 #3 Thank you for your help. It almost works. I understand naming cell ranges for the formula, but when I insert the formula into the CF it is not highlighted correctly. Example: Sheet1 Column A 123 456 789 Sheet2 Column A 012 123 456 789 I need the corresponding numbers to be highlighted on both sheets and the un matched numbers to be (012 in the example) empty. You use Excel 2007. Thank you again! 10-12-2009, 20:13 #4 The attached sheet is a faster formula: =ISNUMBER(MATCH(A1,Sheet2Data,0)) Example of attached files.xls (16.0 KB, 240 views) Download 10-13-2009, 05:16 #5 sandersonsea, be sure to publish your threads to an appropriate forum - thread moved from Tips &amp; Tutorials to Excel General. 10-13-2009, 13:08 #6 thank you very much! I appreciate the time it took you to help me. This will save so much time! I will also put my questions in the general forum, I am sorry for the mistake. 10-13-2009, 1:14 p.m.#7 glad I can help you. If you're taking care of your needs, be sure to EDIT the original post, click Advanced, and mark the PREFIX [FIXED] box. (Also, use the blue scale icon in our posts to leave reputation feedback, appreciated) 12-16-2019, 02:38 #8 How can we find duplicate files in 2 deffrent sheets with multiple coloumns attach files for refrence please check sir 12-16-2019, 02:40 #9 Administrative note: Welcome to the forum. We are happy to help you, however, while I would like your request to be similar to this thread, experience has shown that things soon get confused when responses refer to particular cells/ranges/sheets that are unique to your post and not relevant to the original. See Forum Rule #4 on hijacking and start a new thread for the query. If you're not familiar with how to start a new thread, see the FAQ: How to start a new Ali Thread Enthusiastic self-taught MS Excel user who always learns! Forum rules (updated in September 2018): read them here. How to use the Power Query code you were provided with: help here. Learn more about the Power suite here. Don't forget to say thank you to those who helped you in your thread. If you wish, you can also reward them by clicking on their reputation star at the bottom left. i'm not sure if you want the presence of a duplicate in the corresponding row on sheet A, or if a cell in column A of sheet A has the value in the corresponding row on sheet B. I assume that your first sheet is called Sheet1, the second sheet is called Sheet2, and both datasets on the first line of their sheet. Duplicate testing in the entire Place column =IF(COUNTIF(Sheet1! A:A,B1)&gt;0;YES,NO) in A1 on Sheet2. It will say YES or NO depending on whether a cell in column A on Sheet1 has the value in B1 on Sheet2. Drag the cell down to adjust it for other rows. How it works: CONTA.SE returns the number of cells in a range that meet a condition. The Sheet1 range! A:A includes all cells in column A of Sheet1. They are tested for equality with B1 (which will be adjusted when you drag the cell). The IF function returns a value depending on the value of the condition, or not if the number of CONTA.SE cells is different from the number of cells in one. Highlight duplicates from the entire Add column in response to a comment. Conditional formatting must be applied to highlight based on duplicates. Click column B header on the second sheet to select the entire column, and then click Manage Rules under the Conditional Formatting button. Add a new rule with the type Use a formula to determine which cells to format. Press the Format button to select the formatting you want to apply. Highlights can be done with the Fill tab. Place =(COUNTIF(Sheet1! A:A,B1)&gt;0) in the formula box, and then click OK. Check duplicates in the corresponding row Place =IF(Sheet1! A1=B1,YES,NO) in A1 on Sheet2. Again, it says YES or NO, and you can drag it down in multiple lines. How it works: the = between Sheet1! A1 (which refers to A1 on Sheet1) and B1 checks whether the values in those cells are equal. IF it works as above. Over.