

## 1. What advantages do Excel spreadsheets have over CSV spreadsheets?

Excel spreadsheets have several advantages over CSV (Comma Separated Value) spreadsheets, including:

**Formatting:** Excel spreadsheets allow you to format cells, rows, and columns in a variety of ways, such as changing the font size and style, adding borders and shading, and aligning text. This can make the data easier to read and understand.

**Formulas and functions:** Excel allows you to use formulas and functions to perform calculations on data. This can save time and reduce errors compared to manually calculating values in a CSV file.

**Charts and graphs:** Excel allows you to create charts and graphs to visually represent data. This can make it easier to identify trends and patterns in the data.

**Data validation:** Excel allows you to set rules to validate data, such as ensuring that only certain types of values are entered in a cell. This can help prevent errors and ensure data consistency.

**Pivot tables:** Excel allows you to create pivot tables to summarize and analyze data. This can be a powerful tool for data analysis and reporting.

Overall, Excel offers more advanced features and functionality for working with data than a basic CSV file. However, CSV files are often simpler and easier to work with for simple data storage and transfer purposes.

## 2. What do you pass to `csv.reader()` and `csv.writer()` to create reader and writer objects?

To create reader and writer objects in Python's `csv` module, we pass file objects as arguments to the `csv.reader()` and `csv.writer()` functions.

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In [3]: import csv

with open('data.csv', 'r') as file:
    reader = csv.reader(file)

In [4]: import csv

with open('data.csv', 'w', newline='') as file:
    writer = csv.writer(file)
    writer.writerow(['Name', 'Age', 'Location'])
    writer.writerow(['Alice', 30, 'New York'])
    writer.writerow(['Bob', 25, 'San Francisco'])
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Here, the `open()` function is used to open the file in write mode, and the resulting file object is passed to `csv.writer()` to create the writer object. The `newline=""` argument is used to ensure that the data file uses the correct line endings for the platform you are using.

## 3. What modes do File objects for reader and writer objects need to be opened in?

For a reader object, the File object needs to be opened in 'r' (read) mode.

For a writer object, the File object needs to be opened in 'w' (write) mode

4. What method takes a list argument and writes it to a CSV file?

The `writerow()` method takes a list argument and writes it to a CSV file using a writer object.

5. What do the keyword arguments `delimiter` and `line terminator` do?

The `delimiter` keyword argument specifies the character used to separate fields in a CSV file. The default delimiter is a comma (,).

The `lineterminator` keyword argument specifies the character used to terminate rows in a CSV file. The default line terminator is the newline character (`\n`).

6. What function takes a string of JSON data and returns a Python data structure?

The `json.loads()` function takes a string of JSON data and returns a Python data structure, such as a dictionary or a list.

7. What function takes a Python data structure and returns a string of JSON data?

The `json.dumps()` function takes a Python data structure, such as a dictionary or a list, and returns a string of JSON data.

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