

# Pre-workshop installation instructions

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## Introduction

The workshop will involve some hands-on exercises using the ContentMine software. We have pre-made a virtual machine containing all the software, so that attendees can run it without having to modify their own systems.

Before the workshop, all attendees should do the following:

1. Download and install VirtualBox
2. Download the ContentMine virtual machine image

## 1. VirtualBox

Please download the VirtualBox platform installer for your operating system from the VirtualBox website: <https://www.virtualbox.org/wiki/Downloads>.

Run the installer and follow the on-screen instructions.

## 2. ContentMine virtual machine image

Please download the virtual image from <https://www.dropbox.com/s/rie9l8m1v4fdqha/ContentMine.ova>. *Note, this is a large file: ~1.8GB*

When the file is downloaded, double-clicking it should open VirtualBox and offer to import the virtual machine. Please follow the on-screen instructions to complete the import.

When this is done, you're ready for the workshop!

## Troubleshooting

If you have any problems getting VirtualBox installed, or downloading and importing the virtual image, don't worry. We'll set aside a short period of time at the beginning of the workshop to make sure everyone has access to a machine that can run the exercises.