

Extemp Filler User Manual

Basic Operation

Using the Developer Token

Before you can use Extemp Filler, you need to get your Evernote developer token. This allows Extemp Filler to upload articles to your Evernote account, as well as delete them. Because of this, make sure that you are using an account which is specifically used for Extemp.

It may be that you have already set the default developer token. To check, run Extemp Filler. If it asks you "Use the default Evernote account?", then you make click "Yes" and skip this step. However, if it asks for your developer token, follow these steps:

1. Go to <https://www.evernote.com/api/DeveloperToken.action>
2. If the website prompts you, log in.
3. Click on the button that says "Get developer token."
4. Your developer token will be in a box underneath the heading saying "Developer Token." Copy that into the text box in Extemp Filler, then click "OK."

If no warnings appear, you may continue on to the next step. If an error does appear, it means that you copied the developer token incorrectly. (Make sure to select all the text in the box before copying.) To fix this, close, then reopen Extemp Filler. When it asks if you wish to use the default account, click "No." Then copy the token into the text box, and click OK. Extemp Filler should work properly at this point.

NOTE: If you run Extemp Filler from a different folder, then it will not be able to find the saved developer key; you will have to enter your developer key again.

Adding Topics

Once Extemp Filler has connected to Evernote, you will be able to add topics to be researched. You can type them in one at a time in the text box at the bottom, then click "Add Topic."

You can also add topics by clicking **File > Load Topics From File**. This will allow you to browse for a text file containing all the topics.

NOTE: You must use a ".txt" file with each topic on a separate line, e.g.:

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Should governments increase regulation on e-cigarettes?  
Is it time for colleges and universities to pay their athletes?  
Should Congress restore emergency federal jobless benefits?
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Once a topic has been added, it is in the "research queue." Only one topic can be researched at a time. If a topic is in the research queue, then the text "Queued for Research" will be

next to it. If it is currently being researched, the text “Reasearching...” will appear. If the research for a topic has finished, the text “Researched” will appear.

Removing Topics

Once you have added topics, you may realize that you have mis-typed a topic. If the topic is still in the research queue, then it simply be removed from the queue. To do this, select the topic (or multiple topics) you wish to remove, then either press the “Delete” button or press the delete key on your keyboard. If a topic has already been researched, then the notes on Evernote must be deleted; this has the same procedure, but will take longer to complete.

NOTE: You cannot remove topics that are currently being researched. Wait until the research completes, then delete the topic.

If you wish to remove all queued topics, click on **File > Cancel Research**.

Using the Research

Once research has completed, you may look at the topics on Evernote. To do this, log in to your Evernote account. Extemp Filler places all articles in the “Web Notes” notebook. It also tags each article with the topic name for easy searching.

NOTE: Because of Evernote's limitations, tag names can not be more than 100 letters long. Longer topics may be cut off, so you must read the beginning of the topic, rather than look for the entire sentence.

Advanced Operation

Working with the Cache

Because Evernote limits tag names to 100 letters, Extemp Filler creates notes in the “Tag Names” notebook. Because each of these notes must be loaded separately, loading topic names from Evernote is a lengthy process. To speed this up, a “topic cache” is created when Extemp Filler closes.

If ExtempFiller has been run on a different computer, then your copy's cache may be out of date. To update the cache, you can click the “refresh” button.

NOTE: If you run Extemp Filler from a different folder, it will not find the cache file, and so will have to load each topic from Evernote.

Using Debug Logs

Extemp Filler hides a lot of work “behind the scenes.” If you wish to see exactly what is

happening at any given moment, click on the “Debug” tab at the top. This will show you any errors or info that may help you diagnose a problem.