

# Basic Usage

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Below are a few examples that show how to use some of the main features of bit7z.

### Extracting files from an archive

```
#include <bit7z/bitfileextractor.hpp>
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try { //bit7z classes can throw BitException objects
    using namespace bit7z;
   Bit7zLibrary lib{ "7za.dll" };
    BitFileExtractor extractor{ lib, BitFormat::SevenZip };
    //extracting a simple archive
    extractor.extract( "path/to/archive.7z", "out/dir/" );
    //extracting a specific file
    extractor.extractMatching( "path/to/archive.7z", "file.pdf", "out/dir/" );
    //extracting the first file of an archive to a buffer
    std::vector< byte_t > buffer;
    extractor.extract( "path/to/archive.7z", buffer );
    //extracting an encrypted archive
    extractor.setPassword( "password" );
    extractor.extract( "path/to/another/archive.7z", "out/dir/" );
} catch ( const bit7z::BitException& ex ) { /* do something with ex.what()...*/ }
```

## Compressing files into an archive

```
#include <bit7z/bitfilecompressor.hpp>

try { //bit7z classes can throw BitException objects
   using namespace bit7z;

Bit7zLibrary lib{ "7z.dll" };
   BitFileCompressor compressor{ lib, BitFormat::Zip };
```

```
std::vector< std::string > files = { "path/to/file1.jpg", "path/to/file2.pdf" };
    //creating a simple zip archive
    compressor.compress( files, "output archive.zip" );
    //creating a zip archive with a custom directory structure
    std::map< std::string, std::string > files_map = {
       { "path/to/file1.jpg", "alias/path/file1.jpg" },
       { "path/to/file2.pdf", "alias/path/file2.pdf" }
    };
    compressor.compress( files_map, "output_archive2.zip" );
   //compressing a directory
    compressor.compressDirectory( "dir/path/", "dir_archive.zip" );
    //creating an encrypted zip archive of two files
    compressor.setPassword( "password" );
    compressor.compressFiles( files, "protected_archive.zip" );
    //updating an existing zip archive
    compressor.setUpdateMode( UpdateMode::Append );
    compressor.compressFiles( files, "existing_archive.zip" );
   //compressing a single file into a buffer
   std::vector< byte_t > buffer;
   BitFileCompressor compressor2{ lib, BitFormat::BZip2 };
    compressor2.compressFile( files[0], buffer );
} catch ( const bit7z::BitException& ex ) { /* do something with ex.what()...*/ }
```

# Reading archive metadata

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API Reference (v4.0.5)

main classes and type aliases

- Bit7zLibrary
- BitArchiveEditor
- BitArchiveReader
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- BitException
- BitFileCompressor
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