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##### Minimal Learning Curve

Although there are over 150 public classes and enumerations in Aspose.Words, the learning curve is minimal because the Aspose.Words API has been carefully designed with the following goals in mind:

* Borrow best practices from other well-known APIs such as Microsoft Word Automation.
* Borrow best practices from the .NET Framework Design Guidelines.
* Provide a balance of easy usage vs detailed document element manipulation.

Developers, who used Microsoft Word Automation in their projects before, will find names and behavior of many classes, methods and properties familiar. [Document](http://www.aspose.com/documentation/.net-components/aspose.words-for-.net/aspose.words.document.html), [Paragraph](http://www.aspose.com/documentation/.net-components/aspose.words-for-.net/aspose.words.paragraph.html), [Bookmark](http://www.aspose.com/documentation/.net-components/aspose.words-for-.net/aspose.words.bookmark.html), [Range](http://www.aspose.com/documentation/.net-components/aspose.words-for-.net/aspose.words.range.html), [Section.PageSetup](http://www.aspose.com/documentation/.net-components/aspose.words-for-.net/aspose.words.section.pagesetup.html), [Paragraph.ParagraphFormat](http://www.aspose.com/documentation/.net-components/aspose.words-for-.net/aspose.words.paragraph.paragraphformat.html) are some of the Aspose.Words classes.

At the same time, Aspose.Words is quite different from the Microsoft Word Object Model in that it represents the document as a tree of objects more like an XML DOM tree. If you worked with any XML DOM library you will find it is easy to understand and work with Aspose.Words.

## Aspose.Words Features

### Feature Overview

The tables below summarize Aspose.Words for .NET features and provide links to detailed feature descriptions.

Most of the screenshots in this section demonstrate documents generated by Aspose.Words and then opened for viewing in Microsoft Word and other applications.

##### File Formats and Conversions

Many customers worldwide rely on the thorough document import and export features provided by Aspose.Words.

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| Feature | Description |
| [High-Quality Conversions](#_High-Fidelity_Conversions) | Quickly and reliably, convert between several popular document formats. |
| [Microsoft Word (DOC)](#_Microsoft_Word_(DOC)_1) | The fastest and most complete DOC format implementation you can find. |
| [WordprocessingML (DOCX, XML)](#_Microsoft_Office_Open) | Aspose.Words provides exhaustive support OOXML, Flat OPC and also Word 2003 XML. |

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#### High-Quality Conversions

The ability to quickly and reliably convert different document formats with a high degree of precision is often enough of a reason to choose Aspose.Words.

With Aspose.Words you can convert documents from any supported load format into any supported save format using just two lines of code:

Example OpenAndSaveToFile

Opens a document from a file and saves it to a different format

[C#]

Document doc = new Document(MyDir + "Document.doc");

doc.Save(MyDir + "Document Out.html");

[Visual Basic]

Dim doc As New Document(MyDir & "Document.doc")

doc.Save(MyDir & "Document Out.html")