

# STEP 28: Full In-Browser File Viewer & Attachment Preview System - Testing Guide

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## Overview

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This document provides comprehensive testing scenarios for the Full In-Browser File Viewer & Attachment Preview System. The system supports previewing PDF, DOCX, XLSX, CSV, PPTX, images, videos, TXT, and MD files directly in the browser.

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## Test Scenarios

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### Test 1: PDF File Preview







**Prerequisites:**

- Upload a PDF file as an attachment to a supplier response
- Navigate to either supplier response form or buyer response detail view

**Steps:**

1. Locate the PDF attachment in the attachments list
2. Click the "Preview" button
3. Observe the preview modal opens
4. Verify PDF renders with page navigation controls
5. Test "Previous" and "Next" buttons to navigate pages
6. Click "Download Original" button
7. Close the modal using the X button

**Expected Results:**

-  Preview modal opens with correct filename and file size
  -  PDF displays all pages correctly
  -  Page navigation works (Previous/Next buttons)
  -  Download button triggers file download
  -  Modal closes properly
  -  Activity log records ATTACHMENT\_PREVIEWED event
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### Test 2: Word (DOCX) File Preview

**Prerequisites:**

- Upload a DOCX file as an attachment

**Steps:**

1. Click "Preview" on the DOCX attachment

2. Wait for text extraction to complete
3. Verify HTML content renders with formatting
4. Scroll through the document
5. Test download functionality
6. Close the modal

**Expected Results:**

- ☒ Loading spinner displays during text extraction
  - ☒ Word document content displays with basic formatting
  - ☒ Headers, paragraphs, and lists render correctly
  - ☒ Download original file works
  - ☒ Activity logged
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## Test 3: Excel (XLSX) File Preview

**Prerequisites:**

- Upload an XLSX file with multiple sheets

**Steps:**

1. Click "Preview" on the XLSX attachment
2. Observe the spreadsheet viewer loads
3. If multiple sheets, test the sheet selector dropdown
4. Verify table displays headers and rows correctly
5. Test horizontal scrolling for wide tables
6. Verify display limits to first 100 rows
7. Download the file

**Expected Results:**

- ☒ Spreadsheet loads with proper table structure
  - ☒ Sheet selector shows all available sheets
  - ☒ Switching sheets updates the display
  - ☒ Headers are bold and distinct
  - ☒ Data cells display correctly
  - ☒ Large spreadsheets don't cause performance issues
  - ☒ Activity logged
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## Test 4: CSV File Preview

**Prerequisites:**

- Upload a CSV file

**Steps:**

1. Click "Preview" on CSV attachment
2. Verify table renders with comma-separated values
3. Check header row is formatted differently
4. Test scrolling for large CSV files
5. Download the original

**Expected Results:**

- ☒ CSV parses correctly as table

- ☒ No encoding issues with special characters
  - ☒ Header row is visually distinct
  - ☒ Performance is acceptable for large files
  - ☒ Activity logged
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## Test 5: PowerPoint (PPTX) File Preview

### Prerequisites:

- Upload a PPTX file

### Steps:

1. Click "Preview" on PPTX attachment
2. View the slide-by-slide breakdown
3. Verify each slide shows title and content
4. Test scrolling through all slides
5. Download the file

### Expected Results:

- ☒ Slides display in order
  - ☒ Slide numbers shown
  - ☒ Titles and bullet points extracted
  - ☒ Note about full extraction limitations displayed
  - ☒ Activity logged
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## Test 6: Image File Preview

### Prerequisites:

- Upload PNG, JPG, or WEBP images

### Steps:

1. Click "Preview" on image attachment
2. Verify image displays full-size
3. Test with different image sizes and aspect ratios
4. Verify image doesn't overflow modal
5. Download the image

### Expected Results:

- ☒ Image displays correctly
  - ☒ Image scaling respects max-width/height
  - ☒ No distortion or cropping
  - ☒ Download works
  - ☒ Activity logged
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## Test 7: Video File Preview

### Prerequisites:

- Upload MP4 or WEBM video

**Steps:**

1. Click "Preview" on video attachment
2. Verify video player loads
3. Test play/pause controls
4. Test video timeline scrubbing
5. Test volume controls
6. Verify Range header support for streaming
7. Download the video

**Expected Results:**

- ☒ Video player renders
  - ☒ Play/pause works
  - ☒ Timeline scrubbing functional
  - ☒ Volume controls work
  - ☒ Video streams smoothly (206 Partial Content)
  - ☒ Download works
  - ☒ Activity logged
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## Test 8: Text (TXT) File Preview

**Prerequisites:**

- Upload a .txt file

**Steps:**

1. Click "Preview" on TXT attachment
2. Verify plain text displays with proper line breaks
3. Test with various text encodings (UTF-8)
4. Verify monospace font rendering
5. Download the file

**Expected Results:**

- ☒ Text content displays correctly
  - ☒ Line breaks preserved
  - ☒ No encoding issues
  - ☒ Monospace font applied
  - ☒ Activity logged
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## Test 9: Markdown (MD) File Preview

**Prerequisites:**

- Upload a .md file with various markdown syntax

**Steps:**

1. Click "Preview" on MD attachment
2. Verify markdown renders as formatted HTML
3. Test headings, lists, bold, italic
4. Test code blocks and links
5. Download the original

**Expected Results:**

- ☒ Markdown parses correctly
  - ☒ All formatting elements render
  - ☒ Code blocks have syntax highlighting (if supported)
  - ☒ Links are clickable (in safe mode)
  - ☒ Activity logged
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## Test 10: Unsupported File Type

**Prerequisites:**

- Upload a file type not in the supported list (e.g., .exe, .zip)

**Steps:**

1. Click "Preview" on unsupported file
2. Observe the "Unsupported Viewer" message
3. Verify download button still works
4. Close the modal

**Expected Results:**

- ☒ Clear message about unsupported type
  - ☒ Download button available
  - ☒ No errors in console
  - ☒ Activity logged with "unsupported" type
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## Test 11: Authorization - Buyer Access

**Prerequisites:**

- Login as a buyer
- Access an RFP you own with supplier responses

**Steps:**

1. Navigate to a supplier response detail page
2. Click "Preview" on an attachment
3. Verify preview loads successfully

**Expected Results:**

- ☒ Buyer can preview attachments for their RFPs
  - ☒ No authorization errors
  - ☒ Activity logged with BUYER actor role
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## Test 12: Authorization - Supplier Access

**Prerequisites:**

- Login as a supplier
- Access your own response

**Steps:**

1. Navigate to your supplier response form
2. Click "Preview" on your uploaded attachment

3. Verify preview loads successfully
4. Try to access another supplier's attachment (via direct URL if possible)

**Expected Results:**

- ☒ Supplier can preview their own attachments
  - ☒ Supplier cannot access other suppliers' attachments (403 error)
  - ☒ Activity logged with SUPPLIER actor role
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## Test 13: Authorization - Cross-RFP Access

**Prerequisites:**

- Multiple RFPs with different owners

**Steps:**

1. Login as Buyer A
2. Try to access attachment from Buyer B's RFP (via direct URL)
3. Verify 403 Forbidden error

**Expected Results:**

- ☒ Cross-RFP access blocked
  - ☒ 403 error returned
  - ☒ No data leakage
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## Test 14: File Not Found in Storage

**Prerequisites:**

- Attachment record exists but file deleted from storage

**Steps:**

1. Delete the actual file from uploads/attachments/ directory
2. Try to preview the attachment
3. Observe error handling

**Expected Results:**

- ☒ User-friendly error message
  - ☒ No server crash
  - ☒ 404 error in /text endpoint
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## Test 15: Large File Performance

**Prerequisites:**

- Upload a large file (>10MB PDF, >5000 row Excel)

**Steps:**

1. Click "Preview" on large file
2. Measure load time
3. Test scrolling and navigation performance
4. Verify memory usage doesn't spike excessively

**Expected Results:**

- ☒ Loading spinner displays
  - ☒ Preview loads within reasonable time (<5 seconds)
  - ☒ Navigation remains responsive
  - ☒ No browser crashes or memory leaks
  - ☒ Excel limits to 100 rows for performance
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## Test 16: Activity Log Verification

**Prerequisites:**

- Access to activity log view

**Steps:**

1. Preview 3 different attachments
2. Navigate to the RFP's activity log page
3. Search/filter for ATTACHMENT\_PREVIEWED events
4. Verify details are logged correctly

**Expected Results:**

- ☒ 3 preview events logged
  - ☒ Each event has correct filename, actor, timestamp
  - ☒ Details JSON includes attachmentId, fileType, fileSize
  - ☒ Events visible in both buyer and supplier activity logs
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## Test 17: Mobile Responsiveness

**Prerequisites:**

- Access from mobile device or responsive mode

**Steps:**

1. Open preview modal on mobile
2. Test PDF page navigation on small screen
3. Test table scrolling in Excel/CSV viewers
4. Verify modal fits screen properly
5. Test close button is accessible

**Expected Results:**

- ☒ Modal adapts to mobile viewport
  - ☒ Controls are touch-friendly
  - ☒ Content scrolls properly
  - ☒ No horizontal overflow issues
  - ☒ Close button easy to tap
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## Test 18: Browser Compatibility

**Prerequisites:**

- Access to Chrome, Firefox, Safari

**Steps:**

1. Test preview functionality in each browser
2. Verify PDF.js worker loads correctly
3. Test video playback compatibility
4. Check for console errors

**Expected Results:**

- ☒ Works in all major browsers
  - ☒ PDF.js worker loads from CDN
  - ☒ Video codecs supported
  - ☒ No browser-specific errors
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## Test 19: Network Error Handling

**Prerequisites:**

- Ability to simulate network issues

**Steps:**

1. Open preview modal
2. Disconnect network during loading
3. Observe error handling
4. Reconnect and retry

**Expected Results:**

- ☒ Error message displays
  - ☒ No infinite loading state
  - ☒ Retry mechanism available
  - ☒ Graceful degradation
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## Test 20: Concurrent Previews

**Prerequisites:**

- Multiple attachments

**Steps:**

1. Open preview for Attachment A
2. Close and immediately open Attachment B
3. Verify state resets properly
4. Test opening preview while another is loading

**Expected Results:**

- ☒ Previous preview state clears
  - ☒ New preview loads correctly
  - ☒ No state leakage between previews
  - ☒ Loading cancels when modal closes
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## API Verification

### Test `/api/attachments/[id]/meta`

```
curl -X GET http://localhost:3000/api/attachments/[id]/meta \  
-H "Cookie: next-auth.session-token=YOUR_SESSION_TOKEN"
```

#### Expected Response:

```
{  
  "id": "attachment-id",  
  "fileName": "document.pdf",  
  "fileType": "application/pdf",  
  "attachmentType": "GENERAL",  
  "fileSize": 524288,  
  "createdAt": "2025-11-30T...",  
  "canPreview": true,  
  "safePreviewType": "pdf"  
}
```

### Test `/api/attachments/[id]/text`

```
curl -X GET http://localhost:3000/api/attachments/[id]/text \  
-H "Cookie: next-auth.session-token=YOUR_SESSION_TOKEN"
```

#### Expected Response (DOCX):

```
{  
  "html": "<p>Document content...</p>"  
}
```

#### Expected Response (XLSX):

```
{  
  "sheets": [  
    {  
      "name": "Sheet1",  
      "rows": [[...]]  
    }  
  ]  
}
```

### Test `/api/attachments/[id]/download` with Range Header

```
curl -X GET http://localhost:3000/api/attachments/[id]/download \  
-H "Range: bytes=0-1023" \  
-H "Cookie: next-auth.session-token=YOUR_SESSION_TOKEN"
```

**Expected Response:**

- Status: 206 Partial Content
  - Headers: Content-Range, Accept-Ranges, Content-Type
  - Body: First 1024 bytes of file
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## Database Verification

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### Check Activity Logs

```
SELECT * FROM "ActivityLog"  
WHERE "eventType" = 'ATTACHMENT_PREVIEWED'  
ORDER BY "createdAt" DESC  
LIMIT 10;
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**Expected Results:**

- Rows with ATTACHMENT\_PREVIEWED eventType
  - Correct rfpld, userId, supplierContactId
  - Details JSON with fileName, fileType, fileSize
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## Validation Checklist

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### Backend APIs

- [x] /api/attachments/[id]/meta created
- [x] /api/attachments/[id]/text created
- [x] /api/attachments/[id]/download enhanced with Range support
- [x] Authorization checks implemented
- [x] Activity logging integrated

### Frontend Components

- [x] FilePreviewModal created with all viewers
- [x] PDFViewer implemented
- [x] WordViewer implemented
- [x] SpreadsheetViewer implemented
- [x] PowerPointViewer implemented
- [x] ImageViewer implemented
- [x] VideoViewer implemented
- [x] TextViewer implemented
- [x] MarkdownViewer implemented
- [x] UnsupportedViewer implemented

### UI Integration

- [x] Supplier response form - Preview button added
- [x] Buyer response detail - Preview button added
- [x] FilePreviewModal integrated in both locations

## Activity Logging

- [x] ATTACHMENT\_PREVIEWED event type added
- [x] EVENT\_TYPE\_LABELS updated
- [x] Activity logged in /meta endpoint

## Dependencies

- [x] pdfjs-dist installed
  - [x] react-pdf installed
  - [x] mammoth installed
  - [x] react-markdown installed
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## Common Issues & Fixes

### Issue: PDF.js Worker Not Loading

**Solution:**

- Verify CDN URL is accessible
  - Check browser console for CORS errors
  - Ensure pdfjs.GlobalWorkerOptions.workerSrc is set correctly
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### Issue: DOCX Shows Blank

**Solution:**

- Check file was uploaded correctly
  - Verify mammoth library is installed
  - Check /text endpoint returns valid HTML
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### Issue: Video Won't Play

**Solution:**

- Verify video codec is browser-supported (H.264 for MP4)
  - Check Range header support in download endpoint
  - Test with smaller video file
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### Issue: 403 Forbidden on Preview

**Solution:**

- Verify user session is valid
  - Check RFP ownership
  - Confirm attachment belongs to accessible supplier response
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## Performance Metrics

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### Target Benchmarks:

- PDF preview: <2 seconds for first page
  - DOCX extraction: <3 seconds for typical document
  - XLSX parsing: <2 seconds for 100 rows
  - Image load: <1 second
  - Video start: <1 second (streaming)
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## Deployment Checklist

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### Pre-Deployment

- ☐ All dependencies installed in production
- ☐ PDF.js CDN accessible from production
- ☐ Upload storage path configured correctly
- ☐ Database migration applied (no schema changes)

### Post-Deployment

- ☐ Test preview with production data
  - ☐ Verify activity logs recording
  - ☐ Check performance with real file sizes
  - ☐ Monitor for errors in logs
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## Conclusion

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The Full In-Browser File Viewer & Attachment Preview System provides comprehensive file preview capabilities across 9+ file types with robust security, activity logging, and user-friendly UI. All test scenarios should pass for production readiness.

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**Next Steps:** Build verification and Git commit (STEP 7)