

RE: Split non delimited data into multiple cells

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Hi Ron,

Yes I actually tried that since the post.

I used a column as a counter, and then used the mid statement in separate rows, and incremented the starting point, using the indexing cell column.

That eliminated my column limitation.

The only problem I have still is that there are many Null's in the file I am importing, and it looks like Excel ignores them. (imports 90 characters out of a file with 511)

I might have to try a new post with a different subject if I can't figure it out. (I get all 511 if cut and paste from Notepad to Excel)

Thanks for MID suggestion.
kevin

"Ron Coderre" wrote:

Additional comment:

Since Excel has only 256 columns, that becomes an upper limit. Unless you're using XL2007 or don't mind adjusting the formula to continue characters beyond 256 elsewhere.

Does that help?

Regards,
Ron

XL2002, WinXP

"Ron Coderre" wrote:

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Maybe something like this:

With text in A1 (eg abcde)

B1: =MID(\$A1,COLUMNS(\$B:B),1)

Copy that formula as far to the right as needed.

It separates each character into its own cell.

B1: a

C1: b

etc

Is that something you can work with?

Regards,

Ron

XL2002, WinXP

"KJM" wrote:

How do I split a single cell of data into multiple cells, when it is a continuous text string without delimiter characters? I want each single character of the string in its own cell.

I am importing an ascii file and can separate the data manually during import, using the fixed width, delimiter function, but it makes me manually place the separator bar between each character. I could have up to 511 character text string so this is a bit tedious, and there doesn't seem to be hot keys to do this, so a Macro doesn't seem possible.