

A Macro to Count Words and Phrases  
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Tips

I often need to know how many occurrences of a word or phrase I have in a document. I could search for the word or phrase over and over again until I'm at the end of the document, but this takes too much time. So I created the included PHRASE.WPM macro that prompts me for the word or phrase I'm looking for, then displays a dialog box telling me how many times it occurs in my document.

To run the macro, retrieve the desired document, press Macro (Alt-F10), type "phrase" and press (Enter). Type the word or phrase you're looking for and press (Enter). The macro searches and displays the number of times the word or phrase was found at the bottom of the screen. Press (Enter) to remove that message.

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*Notes:*

- *If, for example, you're searching for the word "all" in your document, you'll also get words like shall and alligator, unless you include spaces around your search word, as in " all ".*
- *The macro is somewhat case-sensitive. If your search term has capital letters, the macro will provide a count only of the terms with those capitals. However, if the term you type is all lower case, the macro will count all instances regardless of case.*
- *A "Not Found" message may appear before displaying the word/phrase count. This can be ignored.*