

# How can I use the TEXTJOIN function in Excel to incorporate line breaks?

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The TEXTJOIN function in Excel allows the user to combine multiple strings of text from different cells into one cell, separated by a chosen delimiter. By incorporating line breaks into the function, the user can organize the combined text into multiple lines, making it easier to read and understand. This can be useful for creating lists, addresses, or any other type of text that requires a structured format. To use line breaks in the TEXTJOIN function, the user must use the CHAR function to insert the line break code (10) between each string of text. This will create a visually appealing and organized output in the designated cell.

## **Excel: Use TEXTJOIN Function with Line Break**

**You can use the TEXTJOIN function in Excel to combine multiple text values using a specific delimiter.**

**To use the TEXTJOIN function with a line break as the delimiter, you can use the following formula:**

**=TEXTJOIN(CHAR(10),TRUE,A1:A5)**

**This particular formula combines the text values in cells A1 through A5, using a line break as the delimiter.**

**Note: In Excel, CHAR(10) is used to represent a line break.**

**The following examples shows how to use this formula in practice.**

**Example: How to Use TEXTJOIN Function with Line Break in Excel**

**Suppose we have the following column of phrases in Excel:**

	A	B	C	D	E
1	Hello everyone				
2	What a great day				
3	Let's have fun				
4	And all be friends				
5	We can do this				
6					
7					
8					
9					
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11					
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**Suppose we would like to combine each of these phrases into one cell, using a line break as the delimiter.**

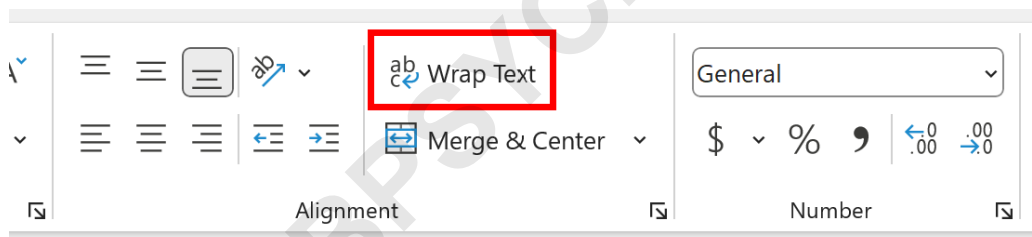
**We can type the following formula into cell C1 to do so:**

**=TEXTJOIN(CHAR(10),TRUE,A1:A5)**

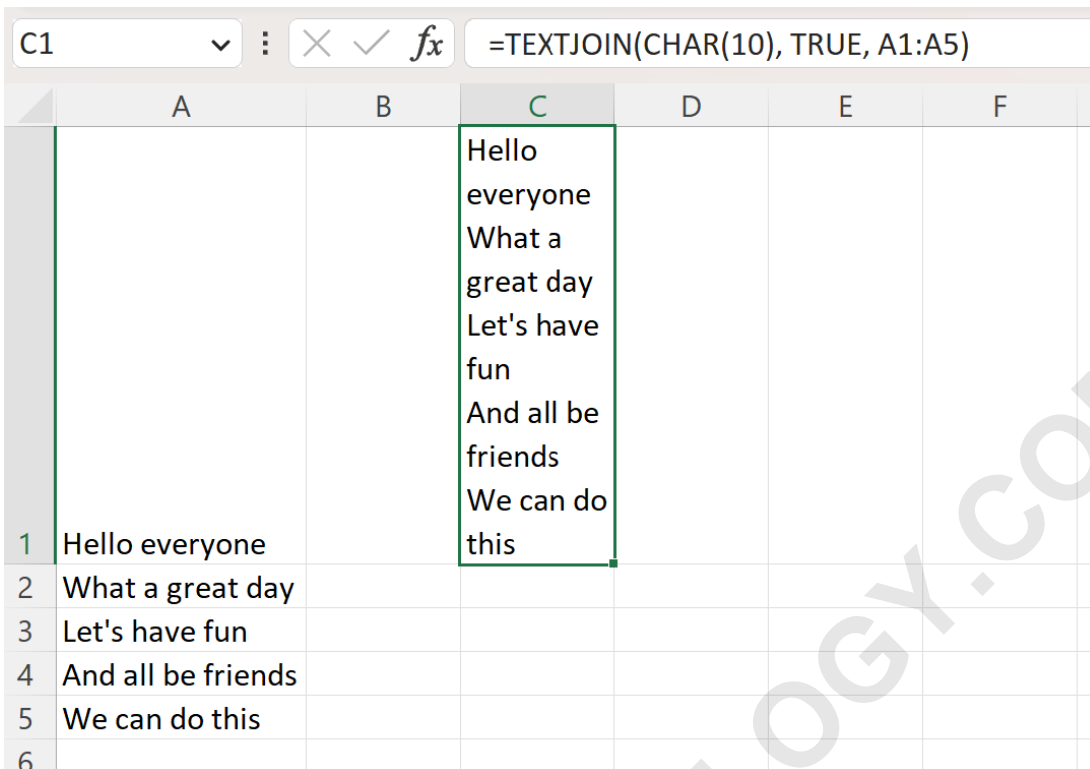
**The following screenshot shows how to use this formula in practice:**

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
1	Hello everyone		Hello everyone	What a great day	Let's have fun	And all be friends	We can do this		
2	What a great day								
3	Let's have fun								
4	And all be friends								
5	We can do this								
6									
7									
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12									

In order to actually see the line breaks in Excel, we must click on cell C1 and then click the Wrap Text icon within the Alignment group in the Home tab:



Once we click this icon, we will be able to see the line breaks in cell C1:



	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	Hello everyone		Hello everyone What a great day Let's have fun And all be friends We can do this			
2	What a great day					
3	Let's have fun					
4	And all be friends					
5	We can do this					
6						

**Notice that each of the phrases from the range A1:A5 have been combined into one cell, using line breaks as the delimiter.**

### How This Formula Works

**Recall the formula that we used to combine all of the phrases into one cell:**

**=TEXTJOIN(CHAR(10), TRUE, A1:A5)**

**This formula uses the TEXTJOIN function, which uses the following basic syntax:**

**TEXTJOIN(delimiter, ignore\_empty, text1, text2, text3...)**

**where:**

**delimiter:** The delimiter to use when combining text  
**ignore\_empty:** Whether or not to ignore empty cells  
**text1, text2, text3, ...:** The text values to be combined

We used this particular function to combine each phrase in the range A1:A5 by using a line break ( CHAR(10) ) as a delimiter and by using the argument TRUE to ignore any empty cells in the range.

**Note:** You can find the complete documentation for the TEXTJOIN function in Excel .

The following tutorials explain how to perform other common tasks in Excel: