# Microsoft Excel 2016: Part 4 View Options Introduction to Excel Functions And Naming Cells

## Exercise Part 1-3:

Open a new workbook and enter the data as shown below.

	Α	В	С	D	E	F	G
1	Category	Item	Quantity	Unit	Price	Total Cost	Brand/Comments
2	Produce	Oranges	1	Bag	3.99		Halo
3	Dairy	Milk	1.5	Gal	2.99		
4	Meat	Beef	3	Lb	4.99		
5	Drinks	Coffee	2	Lb	6.99		Store Brand
6	Pasta	Noodles		Lb	1.59		
7	Soup	Dry mix	₩ 5	Pkt	1.09		
8	Bakery	Bread	3	Pkt	1.99		
9	Snacks	Cookies	3	Doz	2.89		
10	Supplies	Paper plates	2	Pkt	1.29		

#### Follow the steps below.

- 1) Insert two rows above row number 1.
- 2) Enter the word "Grocery List" in cell A1. Change the font style to Trebuchet MS and size 24.
- 3) Enter the word "DATE" in cell A2. Change the font style to Trebuchet MS
- 4) In Cell F4, enter the formula to find the total cost for row 4. (Hint: Qty\*Price =C4\*E4).
- 5) Once the answer in cell F4, copy the formula to all rows below. (Hint: double-click on fill-handle)
- 6) Select cells E4:E12and format as "Currency".
- 7) Select cells F4:F12 and format as "Accounting".
- 8) Select cell A13 and Type in "Average Price".
- 9) Select cell E13 and find out the average price of the price column E by using the =AVERAGE under

the AutoSum function drop down arrow.

- 10) Select cell A14 and type in "Grand Total Cost".
- 11) Select cell F14and find out the Sum by using the AutoSum function.
- 12) Change row heights of row 1 and 14 to "30" by using Format>Row Height in Home>Cells group.
- 13) Select cell A3:G3. Change the Fill color to dark brown. Change the Font color to white.
- 14) Select cell A3:G14 and use "Linked Cell" Style.
- 15) Finally, select columns C through E and change the column width to "8" by using Format>Column width in Home>Cells group.
- 16) Open the **Grocery List Practice.xlsx workbook**. Your spreadsheet should look like *GroceryFinal* worksheet.

## View Options - Freezing Panes:

Excel has useful tools to view content from the different parts of your workbook at the same time. They are called **freeze panes** (where you can freeze your rows and columns) and **split your worksheet.** Let's use **WeekOne** worksheet in the same **Excel Part4 Functions.xlsx** workbook to practice.

## Freezing Rows And/Or Columns:

You may want to see certain rows or columns all the time in your worksheet, especially **header cells**. By freezing rows or columns in place, you'll be able to scroll through your content while continuing to view the frozen cells. Assume you want to see the first three rows with header and first column with category name on it appear at all times no matter how far we scroll to the right or down.

• Select the row below the row(s) and the right of the column you wish to freeze. In our example, we want to freeze **rows 1, 2 and 3**, and **column A** so we'll select **cell B4.** 



Click the View tab on the Ribbon.

view the column A at all times.

Select the Freeze Panes command, then choose Freeze Panes from the drop-down menu. The
rows will be frozen in place, as indicated by the gray line. You can scroll down the worksheet
while continuing to view the frozen rows at the top and scroll to the right while being able to

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Freeze Panes

Freeze Top Row

the rest of the worksheet.

Freeze First Column

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Keep rows and columns visible while the rest of

Keep the top row visible while scrolling through

Keep the first column visible while scrolling

the worksheet scrolls (based on current selection).

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- To unfreeze rows or columns, click the Freeze
   Panes command, then select Unfreeze Panes
   from the drop-down menu.
- The second choice Freeze Top Row on the dropdown list will only freeze the first row (row 1 only). Make the first row still visible on screen is when you apply this command and your active cell can be anywhere on your data sheet.
- The last choice **Freeze First** *Column will only*freeze the first column regardless of where your cell selection is when you apply this command.

  You must make sure that your 1<sup>st</sup> column is still visible on screen when you apply this command.

## **Other View Options**

**Open a New Window:** Excel allows you to open **multiple windows** for a single workbook at the same time to compare and view the different sections of the workbook. In our example, we'll use this feature to compare two different worksheets **WeekOne** and **WeekTwo** from the same workbook. Follow instructions below.

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Click the View tab on the Ribbon, then select the New Window command. A new window for the the workbook will appear. Notice a number is assigned to the name of the workbook as

Excel Functions:1 - Excel and Excel Functions:2 - Excel

in the Title area of the workbook.

- Regardless of which workbook number you are on, click on the Arrange All command. Arrange Windows dialog box will appear.
- Select Vertical to compare two different worksheets side by side in Vertical position. You can now compare different worksheets from the same workbook across windows. In our example, we'll select WeekOne worksheet in one window and



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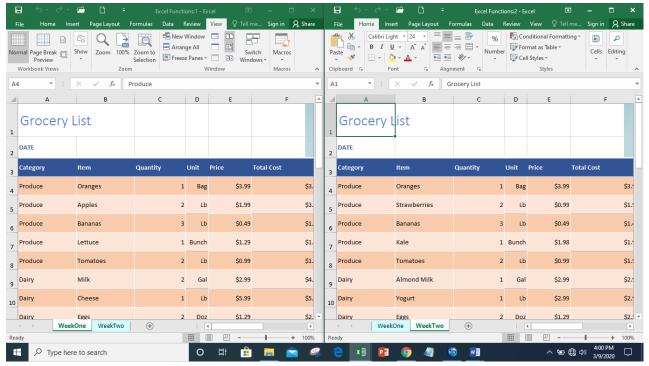
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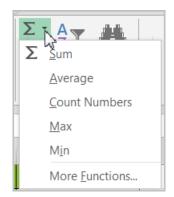


When you are done comparing, close either one. The number assignment at the end of the
Title will disappear. Note: you can use New Window command to simultaneously open as
many worksheets you want to compare at the same time.

## **Introduction to Functions:**

A **Function** is a predefined formula that performs calculations using specific values in a particular order. Excel includes many common functions under the **Home** tab that can be useful for quickly finding the **sum**, **average**, **count**, **maximum value**, and **minimum value** for a range of cells. Let's examine the different parts of a **sum function** and how to create arguments to calculate values and cell references.





**Equation:** is required at beginning of every formula.

**Function:** is a predefined formula; in this example, to sum or add what is stated in the argument. **Argument:** contains the information you want to calculate and it must be enclosed within a **parenthesis.** It can refer to both **individual cells** and **cell ranges**, in this example, referring to cell range A10 through A20. You can include one argument or multiple arguments, depending on the syntax required for the function.

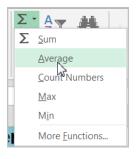
Basic Mathematical Functions							
AVERAGE	Finds the average within a range of cells.	=AVERAGE(A10:A20)					
COUNT	Finds the number of cells within a range of cells that	=COUNT(A10:A20)					
COON	contain values ( <b>numbers</b> ) in them.						
	The COUNTA function counts cells containing any type						
	of information, including error values and empty text	=COUNTA(A3:A15)					
COUNTA	(""). For example, if the range contains a formula that						
COUNTA	returns an empty string, the COUNTA function counts						
	that value. The COUNTA function does not count						
	empty cells.						
COUNTBLANK	Counts <b>empty</b> cells in a specified range of cells.	=COUNTBLANK(B3:B15)					
MAXIMUM	Finds the largest number within a range of cells.	=MAX(D3:D15)					
MINIMUM	Finds the <b>smallest</b> number within a range of cells.	=MIN(D3:D15)					
SUM	Finds the total or sum within a range of cells.	=SUM(A10:A20)					
	Basic Date Functions						
	Displays the computer's current date and time. The						
NOW()	formula will update the date and time next time the	=NOW()					
	workbook is opened.						
TODAY()	Displays the computer's current date. The formula will	-TODAY()					
TODAY()	update the date next time the workbook is opened.	=TODAY()					

## **Creating Basic Functions:**

**Single Argument Exercise:** Open *WeekOne* worksheet *Excel Part4 Functions.xlsx* to practice creating arguments. **Make sure to freeze the pane by selecting cell B4** so we can see header rows.

#### **AVERAGE Function:**

- In Cell E33 we want to calculate the average price per unit. Select Cell E33.
- Click on the drop-down arrow next to the Sum function in the Editing Group under the Home tab.
   Select Average.
- The selected function will appear in the cell. If logically placed, the **Average** command will automatically select a cell range for the argument. In our example, cells **E4:E32** were selected automatically. In our case, there is no data in **E31** and **E32**. You can manually fix the argument directly in the formula bar area by using the backspace button on your keyboard and change the cell address from **E32** to **E30**. (OR you can use your mouse; click and drag to include the desired cell range into the argument as well.)







• Press Enter on your keyboard. The function will be calculated, and the result will appear in the cell. In our example, the average of **E4:E30** is \$2.97.

## **COUNT Function:**

- Select Cell C32.
- Since the column includes numbers, we will select the Count function from the list. We are using the Count Function here to count how many items are on the list. We are NOT ADDING the items.
- The formula appears =COUNT(C4:C31). Fix the formula to include up to C30 only.
- Hit Enter. The count should give you 27 meaning there are 27 items where there is a number in the Quantity column. Note the Count Function will count any number including zero. But it will not count either blank nor text.

You can find the similar answer on Column B, the Item *column with text* by using the **CountA Function**.

- Select Cell B31.
- Since the column includes texts, we are using CountA function to count
  how many items are on the list. The answer should be the same as 27
  when you hit Enter.



Quantity

#### **COUNT BLANK Function:**

- Select Cell B31 again.
- Change the **CountA** function in that cell from **CountA** to **Countblank** in the formula bar area. Hit **Enter**. You will have the answer **zero** as there is no blank cell value yet in column B.
- Delete the content of the **Cell B30** by using the **Delete** button. Now it should say **1** in **Cell B31** as there is one blank cell in the range **B4:B30**.

**SUM Function:** Find out the sum of Total Cost column, **Column F**.

- Click on Cell F34.
- Select the Sum function from the list.
- Fix the cell range in the formula bar using the backspace to change F33 to F30 since there is no data F31:F33.
- Hit **Enter**. The sum of **Total Cost** in our example is: \$180.67.

**MAXIMUM Function:** Find out the most expensive item in column **E (Price Column)** in cell **E35** by using the =MAX(E4:E30). The result should be: \$6.99 for Coffee.

MININUM Function: Find out the least expensive item in column **E** (**Price Column**) in cell **E36** by using the =MIN(E4:E30). The result should be: \$.49 for Bananas.

Multiple Argument Example: A function can contain multiple arguments. Each argument has to be separated by the "comma". For example, in Cell F37, we want to find out total



=SUM(F4:F30)

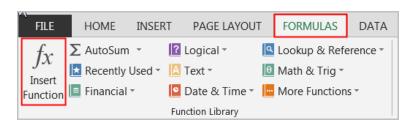
costs for all "Produce", "Pasta" and "Supplies" selectively. The function =SUM(F4:F8, F20:F21;F29:F30) will add the values of all the cells in the three arguments. The answer should be \$40.19.

**Now Function:** Displays the computer's current date and time. The formula will update the date and time next time the workbook is opened. Select Cell **C2** and type in **=Now()** 

**Today Function:** Displays the computer's current date. The formula will update the date next time the workbook is opened. Select Cell **B2** and type in **=Today()** 

### **Complex Function/Formula:**

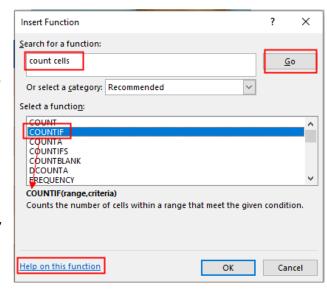
There are hundreds of functions in Excel and you can search them by category, such as Financial, Logical, Text, Date & Time, and more from the **Function Library** on the **Formulas** tab. The ones you use most frequently will depend on the type of data



your workbook contains. To access the **Function Library**, select the **Formulas** tab on the **Ribbon**. The **Function Library** will appear. Click on each category to explore some of the different types of functions that will be helpful as you create new projects.

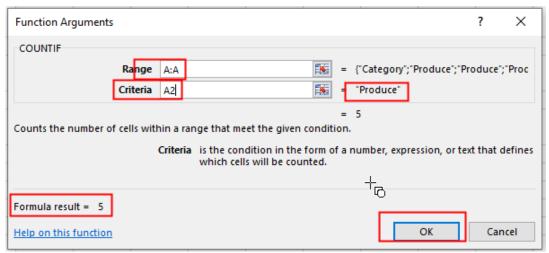
For complex formulas, it's not easy to remember which function and which arguments to use for each task.

Fortunately, the Insert Function feature in Excel helps you with this. In cell H4, we will use the same example above to count the number of cells to get the answer "how many Produce are ordered in column A". Since we do not know which functions to use, we can simply type in a natural question like "count cells" in the "Search for a function:" box and hit "Go" button. From suggested functions appeared in the "Select a Function" box, an explanation on "COUNTIF" function suits our need – We want to count how many cells in Column A (range) includes the word "Produce" (criteria). (If we want more explanation and see the examples, we can click on Help on this Function box and a



new **Help** window will pop up with more detailed explanation and examples.) Follow the steps below.

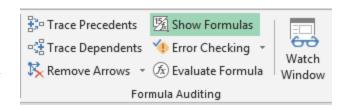
- Select Cell H4.
- Click on Formulas>Insert Function.
- Select COUNTIF from the suggested functions.
- Click on OK button.
- **Function Arguments** dialog box will come up. In the **Range** box, you want to count all cells in Column A. So, simply select the entire column A.
- In the **Criteria** box, you want to include all cells in column A with the word "Produce" in it. You can type in the word "Produce" yourself or simply select one of the cells that include "Produce" in it, in this example, point and click on cell **A4.** You can see the word "Produce" shows up on the right of the **Criteria** box and the result shows "5" already.
- Click on **OK** button.
- Click on **OK**. The result should be 5.

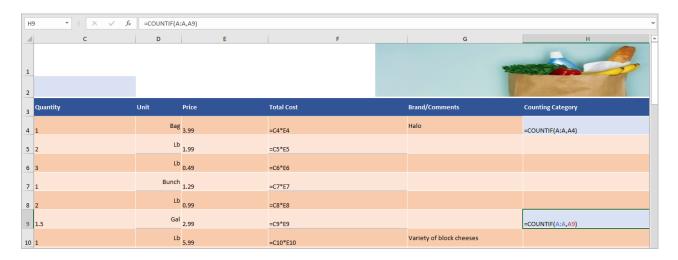


• Use the same function to count "Dairy" in cell H9; "Meat" in cell H13; "Drinks" in cell H16; "Pasta" in cell H20; "Soup" in cell H22; "Bakery" in cell H24; "snacks" in cell H25; and "Supplies" in H29.

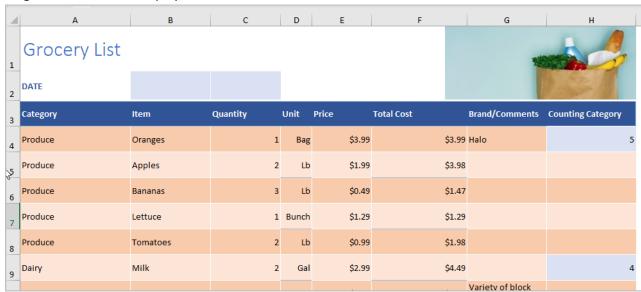
## Display Formulas on your worksheet:

You can display the formulas in your worksheet by using the **Show Formulas** command in the **Formula Auditing** group under the **Formulas** tab. All column widths will be noticeably widened to show values (if they are fixed value) and all formulas.





To get back to normal display, click on the **Show Formulas** one more time.



## Appendix:

## "Order of Operations" to more complex mathematical expressions:

A complex mathematical expression has more than one mathematical operator, such as 5+2\*8. When there is more than one operation in a formula, the order of operations tells **Excel** which operation to calculate first. In order to use **Excel** to calculate complex formulas, you will need to understand the order of operations as follows:

Excel calculates formulas based on the following order of operations:

- 1. Operations enclosed in parentheses
- 2. Exponential calculations (3^2, for example)
- 3. **Multiplication** and **division**, whichever comes first
- 4. **Addition** and **subtraction**, whichever comes first

A mnemonic that can help you remember the order is **PEMDAS**, or **P**lease **E**xcuse **M**y **D**ear **A**unt **S**ally.

So in this following example to solve - 10+(6-3)/2^2\*4-1, the order of operations will be carried out according to the order stated above. See the steps below.

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Using the Order of Operations

Parentheses 10+(6-3)/2^2*4-1

E
M
D
A
S
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## Step 2)

Step 1)

Using the Order of Operations					
Р	10+(6-3)/2^2*4-1				
Exponents	10+3/2^2*4-1				
M	•				
D					
Α					
S					

### Step 3)

## Step 4)

## Using the Order of Operations

P 10+(6-3)/2^2\*4-1 Ε 10+3/2^2\*4-1 Multiplication 10+3/4\*4-1 Division Whichever comes first! 10+0.75\*4-1 Α S

## Step 5)

## Using the Order of Operations P 10+(6-3)/2^2\*4-1 Ē 10+3/2^2\*4-1 M 10+3/4\*4-1 D 10+0.75\*4-1 Addition whichever comes first 10+3-1

Step 6)

Subtraction

## Using the Order of Operations

```
Р
              10+(6-3)/2^2*4-1
Ε
              10+3/2^2*4-1
M
              10+3/4*4-1
D
              10+0.75*4-1
Addition Whichever comes first!
              10+3-1
Subtraction
              13-1
```

## Step 7)

## Using the Order of Operations

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P
           10+(6-3)/2^2*4-1
Ε
           10+3/2^2*4-1
M
           10+3/4*4-1
D
           10+0.75*4-1
Α
           10+3-1
S
           13-1=12
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