



Numbers to Text



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	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
1	2								
2	4								
3	6								
4	8								
5	10								
6									
7									

1. Select the range A1:A4 and change the [number format](#) to Text.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
1	2								
2	4								
3	6								
4	8								
5	10								
6									
7									

2. Precede a number by an apostrophe and it will also be treated as text.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
1	2								
2	4								
3	6								
4	8								
5	'10								
6									
7									

3a. If you add text to a number and still want to format this number, use the TEXT function. Without using the TEXT function this would be result.

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B1 fx ="You earned: " & A1						
	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	\$3,590.56	You earned: 3590.56				
2						
3						

3b. With the TEXT function.

B1 fx ="You earned: " & TEXT(A1, "\$#,##0.00")						
	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	\$3,590.56	You earned: \$3,590.56				
2						
3						

Note: #,## is used to add comma's to large numbers.

3c. Here's another example. Apply a percentage format.

B1 fx =TEXT(A1, "0%") & " of the students passed the exam"						
	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	95.73%	96% of the students passed the exam				
2						
3						

Note: use 0 to display the nearest integer value. Use 0.0 for one decimal place. Use 0.00 for two decimal places, etc.

3d. And another example. Format a date.

B1 fx ="Today is: " & TEXT(A1, "m d, yyyy")						
	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	6/10/2013	Today is: June 10, 2013				
2						
3						

Note: use less/more m's, d's and y's to change the appearance of the date.

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