

# Goodbye, OpenOffice. Nice Knowing You.

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I'm about to do something that will have more than a few people who know me thrashing around and screaming in horror. I'm replacing a free application with one I'm paying money for.

To be precise, I'm replacing what I use of OpenOffice.org 3.2 with Microsoft Office 2010.

Shock! Gasp!

Well, it wasn't like I didn't try.

I tried using OO's Writer as a replacement for Word, and ran into one inadequacy after another.

In its broad outlines, OO is not a bad program. It works decently well for quick-and-dirty word processing, and even some fairly advanced tasks.

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