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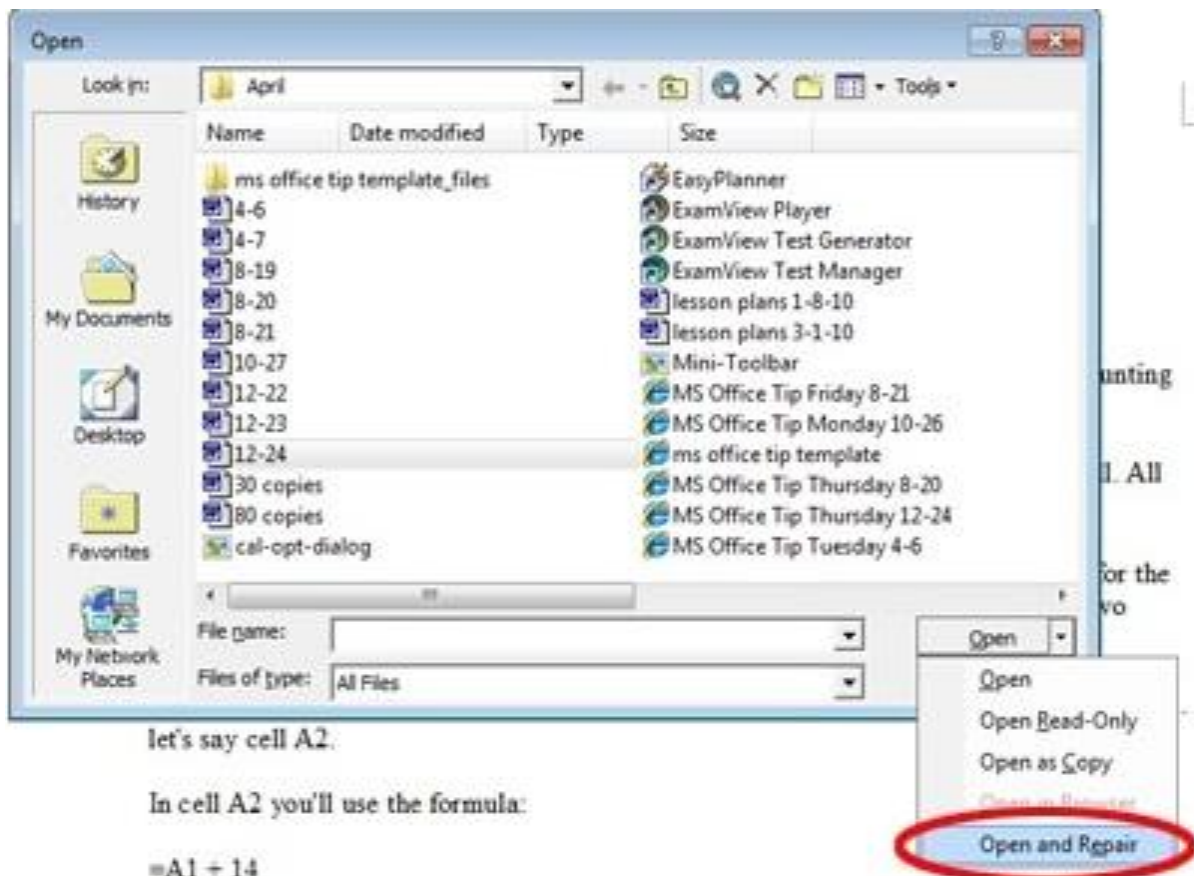
Every try to open an MS Word document only to have the program tell you that it can't open the file because it's corrupt? Looks like you will have to create it all over again from memory.

Not necessarily. You can try one of these options:

Word comes with an **Open and Repair** option - so let's find that one first.

When you go to the Open dialog box (**File** menu / **Office Button, Open** choice) and **select the corrupted file** you'll find that the **Open** button becomes active and has a **down arrow** on the right side.

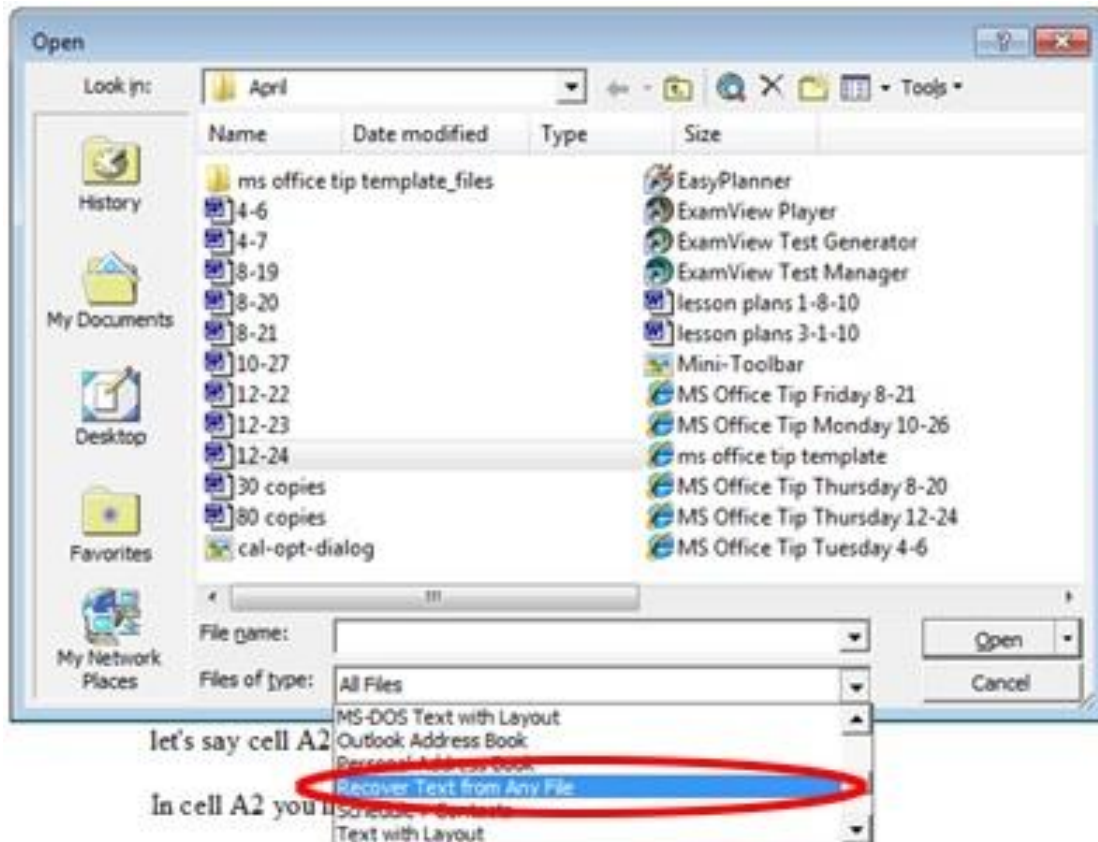
Click it and choose **Open and Repair**.



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If that one doesn't take care of business then give this a try...

Back in the Open dialog box **select your corrupt file** and then in the **Files of type** drop down list choose "**Recover text from any file**".



You may lose formatting during the repair / recovery process but it's a lot better than losing all the information.