Using Lists to Reduce Complexity

**Microsoft Word 2016**

Lists should be created using Word’s built-in tools for ordered (numbered) and unordered (bulleted) lists. Without using these tools, a list is not really a list, which makes the content more difficult for screen reading programs to understand the organization of the items.

**Microsoft Word 2016**

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1. Go to the “**Home tab**”. The Paragraph pane is in the center.

![Home tab with Bullets and Numbering options](image)

2. Unordered [1] and ordered [2] lists are highly customizable. Just click on the arrow adjacent to the desired list button to design a list that meets your needs.

![Customizing list styles](image)
Microsoft Word 2011

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2. Go to the “Home tab”. The Paragraph pane is in the center.

3. Bulleted Lists [1], Numbered Lists [2] and Multilevel Lists [3] lists are highly customizable. Just click on the arrow adjacent to the desired list button to design a list that meets your needs.

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