Difference Between Notepad and Wordpad

Notepad is a basic text-editing program which enables computer users to create documents. Whereas, WordPad is a program that you can use to create documents such as letters, notes, etc. with better formatting features.

Notepad vs Wordpad - Comparative Analysis

Both Notepad and Wordpad were developed by Microsoft. A tabulated difference between notepad and Wordpad has been given below. This will give a clearer explanation as to how these two programs are different from each other.

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Notepad	**WordPad**
Definition: Notepad is a simple text editor for Microsoft Windows and a basic text-editing program which enables computer users to create documents.	**Definition:** WordPad is the basic word processor using which we can format and print text.
It was launched by Microsoft in the year 1983	It was launched by Microsoft along with Windows 95
No formatting related to the text can be done. Focus is completely on creating text files with minimum formatting features	Formatting options like bold, italics, font style and size, etc. are available
It is a better choice for creating webpages. It can only save .txt files	Files can be saved in the form of basic documents (.txt) and rich text documents (.rtf)
Minimalistic in terms of formatting the text	An unformatted file can be formatted using Wordpad
Images or graphics cannot be added in Notepad	Images can be added in Wordpad
Visually, a Notepad has only 5 options. This includes File, Edit, View, Format and Help	More options are visually available in a Wordpad
.rtf Wordpad files cannot be opened with Notepad	Any Notepad file (.txt) can be opened with Wordpad

The above-mentioned differences between Wordpad and Notepad imply that although both are used for working on text files, Notepad provides less formatting options in comparison to Wordpad.

Also, to learn about MS Word, its features, uses and points of difference from other text-based programs, candidates can visit the linked article.

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- Difference Between RAM and ROM
- Difference Between Hardware and Software
- Difference Between IPV4 and IPV 6
- Difference Between Firewall and Antivirus
- Difference Between WWW and Internet
- Difference Between Virus and Malware