

## OpenOffice.org Migration Story – Template

Please try to keep your story fairly brief and avoid too much jargon – “think twice, write once” - otherwise people won't read and get the benefit of it. Not everyone reading your answers will be IT professionals / experts.

Please answer all the questions – if there are any details you would prefer **aren't published** on the Internet please mark those answers with a hash (#) at both ends.

Questions	Answers
<b>Company / Organization Name:</b>	8daysaweek.co.uk
<b>Type of Business:</b>	Website for Users of OOo. Forums providing support. Distribution of CD-Roms & promotion of OOo & other Open Source Software.
<b>Address / Based in (Town/City):</b>	Midlands, UK
<b>No. of Employees:</b>	# 3 #
<b>Year Established:</b>	In 2003
<b>Your Web Site:</b>	www.8daysaweek.co.uk
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<b>Your Operating System(s):</b>	Windows XP Pro. Mandrake Linux 9.2
<b>Version of OOo you migrated to:</b>	v1.1.0
<b>Previous Office Suite (if any):</b>	None @8daysaweek (Have used MSO 7 & XP @ previous jobs).
<b>Where did you hear about OpenOffice.org?</b>	I've been aware of OOo for some years – originally downloaded Star Office on a 56k modem (about 4 years ago?) but didn't like it. Downloaded some earlier versions of OOo. I used these sporadically but they weren't stable enough and didn't have enough features for me to migrate.
<b>Reason for Migrating to OpenOffice.org:</b>	Version 1.1.0 came out, I downloaded it and found it compared favourably with MS Office. Thought it was so good I searched the net for more info & all the sites I found seemed to require a degree to understand! So I decided to set a site up myself to promote OOo & later other quality Open Source Software.
<b>How easy did you (or your users) find it to migrate?</b>	Amazingly easy. Some special features take some time to find, but all the “main” things are where you'd expect to find them :)
<b>Do you use any other Office Suite/Application and why?</b>	Have MS Office installed because it's paid for and I still have files that I've yet to convert. Still use MS Access, Outlook, OE & Thunderbird Mail as OOo doesn't yet have comparable modules.
<b>Do you have any “wishes” for OpenOffice.org?</b>	1. An integrated Email / Contacts / Calendaring client 2. A dB module comparable with Access
<b>What features in OpenOffice.org do you like?</b>	Compatibility is amazing. Export to PDF is EXCELLENT. Styles are very powerful and easier to use than in MS Office. Lots of other pleasing little things :)
<b>What do you dislike about OOo?</b>	See “wishes” above.
<b>Anything else you'd like to say...</b>	Even if OOo doesn't overtake MS Office, I think it's good that that there's a genuine alternative and competition for Microsoft.

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