

# What is the best way to control Microsoft Word?

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**Question:**

Suppose my program controls Microsoft Word to do a Mail Merge. How do I do this with isCOBOL?

**Answer:**

To control Microsoft Word or to perform OLE automation, isCOBOL requires a third-party product that allows Java applications to be integrated with COM/OLE/OCX/ActiveX libraries, and exposes Java objects as COM objects.

There are a number of free products available that do this. We have tested [ComfyJ](#), a commercial product without runtime licensing fees.

Some other products include:

<http://www.ezjcom.com/>

<http://j-integra.intrinsyc.com/>

<https://com4j.dev.java.net/>

[http://jacob-project.sourceforge.net/wiki/index.php/Main\\_Page](http://jacob-project.sourceforge.net/wiki/index.php/Main_Page)