uCreate Print Training

Transcript for: Connecting to data sources

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Voice over script	Thumbnail
Hi! Welcome to XMPie uCreate Print training.	one to one in one UCreate Print Training Connecting to data sources
In this module we demonstrate how to connect	682#5#500
uCreate Print with your data sources so you can start to create your VDP or variable data print templates.	 Connecting to data sources Different connection types Types of data source you can connect with Text file encoding, working with other languages Viewing the data in the Dynamic Content panel Counter and Plan data source connections
To start, open InDesign, and create a new document, or open the document that you want to change to a VDP template.	t Table View Window Help Dynamic Content % □ ○ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓ ↓
Locate the Dynamic Content panel. If it is not visible, select it from the Dynamic Content menu, Show Window group.	Import Vacage Expert Package Expert Package Generate VDP Output Prefright XIM Preview udd Options Show Window Help Advanced Prefremces Highlight Plachelders in Document
Click the button on the panel to start.	Image: Angle of the Start Addreg Image: Addreg of the Start Addreg Image: Addreg of the Start Addreg Image: Addreg of the Start Add
For most jobs, you will select to connect to a Data Source At the end of this video, I will come back and explain more about these other options.	Input Data Configuration Select input data configuration type: Manual Definition Data Source File Counter Plan (& State) Cancel
Click Browse and select your data source file.	Select Data Source Connected to: My computer I uProduce Circle Data Source: Press Browse to select a Data Source Browse.

The types of data that you can connect with will depend on your computer platform.	Macintosh: * Text / CSV / CSVX
On Windows, uCreate Print can connect with text, CSV, Microsoft Access or Microsoft Excel data sources.	Ster Ster Contrast
On Macintosh, uCreate Print can connect with text and CSV data sources.	File name (DUDIts Prospective Students.cvv All Types ("cov".the", cove", me Open Canced
Text and CSV data files should be saved with Unicode encoding on Windows, or UTF-16 encoding on Macintosh.	EDUZD1x Prospective Students.ctv - Notepad File Edit Format View Help Save As
you may experience problems with accented and other special characters.	Music assets 18/08/2017 9:37 AM File folder File fold
	Save as type: Text Documents (*.txt) A Hide Folders A Hide F
Even Japanese, Chinese and Korean character sets are supported correctly in uCreate Print if the TXT or CSV is saved with Unicode or UTF-16 encoding.	XLIN Dynamic Content VDP Aud 単 Content Objects All Groups T 名 たかし T 苗字 やまだ T Firstname Takashi T Lastname Yamada
If the file you select is TXT or CSV data, you will be asked what character is separating the data fields.	Select Data Source Connected to: Wy computer UProduce Circle Data Source: C:\UserU Open House\EDU201x Prospective Students.csv Browse Separator: Comma (,) Tab (\t) Comma (,) Semicolon (;)
If the file you select is Excel or Access, you will also be asked to select the spreadsheet tab or database table that you want to use.	Select Data Source Connected to: Wy computer UProduce Circle Data Source: C:\Users\admin\Desktop\EDU Open House\Excel.xlsx Table: Contacts Contacts Orders Products Cancel
Click OK to close the confirmation.	Adobe InDesign
	Link to Data Source completed successfully.

Your data source fields or columns are now listed in	Preferences
the Dynamic Content panel ready to be placed into	Sait Becarde hu Drimper Field
the document. or to create new content objects	Show Data Column in Dynamic Content Panel
based on data values.	Show BL To Objects in Dynamic Content Panel Researce Content in IDMI
	Check internet connectivity
In some cases, it is helpful to see the data values in	Encoding for non-Unicode File: Unicode (UTF-8) ~
the papel. To do this select preferences from the	Default Input Data Type: Manual Definition ~
Dynamic Content menu, and check the option to	Connectivity Download Folder:
Show Data Column	ulmage Templates Folder:
	uImage Assets Folder:
	RIP Global Caching: Clear
The controls at the bottom of the panel allow you to	🖸 Gradatura 95
scroll through the data records, or to go to a specific	
record.	
	Data Source V 2 of 1000
You are now ready to start placing the content	C ² EDU201x Prospective 1 hts.csv
objects into the document, or to edit and add new	
content objects as shown in later videos in this	
training course.	
Before I return to the data connection options, there	Preferences
is another preference you may want to set. You can	Sort Records by Drimary Field
control the default input data type which is the	Show Data Column in Dynamic Content Panel
option selected when you first set input data. For me,	Show BL Objects in Dynamic Content Panel Preserve Doamic Content in IDMI
it is usually a data file.	Check internet connectivity
	Encoding for non-Unicode File: Unicode (UTF-8) ~
	Default Input Data Type: Manual Definition
	Connectivity Download Folder:
	uImage Output Folder:
	uImage Assets Folder: Browse
	RIP Global Caching: Clear
	OK Cancel
	Insut Data Configuration
If I create a new document, you can see this option is	input Data Configuration
now selected by default.	Select input data configuration type:
	Manual Definition Data Source File
	O Counter
	O Plan (& Proofset)
	Cancel
A counter is an automated data source containing a	Select a Counter Range
sequence of numbers.	
	Frame 1 To: 1000 Chase 5
This is useful for jobs like tickets where a sequential	Hom. 1 10: 1000 Step: 5
number is the only data that is needed, but the	
counter can also be used for other types of projects	
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Depending on your license, you may be able to link to	XMPie uPlan - C:_DATA\EDU Open House\customers.plan — 🗆 X
a plan file that has been created with uPlan.	V C C V V V V V V V V V V V V V V V V V
	ADOR Objects
The plan file contains information about the data	T contactD
structure, the content objects that can be placed into	T fratilame
the InDesign document and the business rules or	
logic used by the content chiects	Plan Objects
	Plan: customers
If your company, has nurshared Derechall [ffeet and	
If your company has purchased PersonalEffect, and	
you have a larger team with both designers and	Properties Output
programmers, the tasks for creating the data	Database Link CA_DATA\samp Annotation
connection and defining the logic might be done by	
the technical team and the completed plan passed to	
the design team and selected here.	s.p.ous
Usually, when working with a plan file, you will also	re Stal 🖬 Gandar
use a proof set to see some sample content objects	
in the document design. If you don't have a proofset,	None ~
the design will only show the name of the content	None
object as a placeholder value.	Proc Set
	* x
The last option is used to manually define the	XLIM Dynamic Content VDP J Audie
structure of a data source that you will connect with	Content Objects
later.	All Types V All Groups V
	First Name Last Name
To help you get started, uCreate Print will	
automatically create firstname and lastname content	\mathbf{k}
objects that can be placed into the document design.	
	Data Source
	NONE</td
And in the Input Data Fields area, it will create	
database fields for id. fname and lname.	XLIM Dynamic Content VDP J Audie
,	All Types V All Groups V
If your data file will have different names, you can	
rename these here, and of course add more fields	T fname
that will be in the data you plan to connect with	in iname
later	
There are videos later in this course that will go into	
these ontions in more detail	
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