STORYBOARD: RISE Course

Fraining Topic: 3 Steps to Organizing Digital Files		
Business Challenge:		
There is no standardized system for organizing digital files causing delays in		
document retrieval, sharing incorrect file versions, and the ability to share files		
efficiently across departments.		
Performance Goal:		
Secretaries will implement a standardized digital filing system with 80% accuracy to		
allow for fast and accurate retrieval of files.		
Target Audience: Secretaries new to their role within the last 3 years		
Training Components:		
☐ eLearning Course - RISE		
☐ Job Aid		
Learning Objectives:		

- **Lesson 1:** The learner is able to **implement** a process for locating and deleting unwanted files.
- Lesson 2: The learner is able to create folders and subfolders using a clear hierarchy.
- Lesson 3: The learner is able to create a consistent naming system for files.

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CONTENT OUTLINE

	LANDING PAGE
LANDING PAGE	Title: 3 Steps to Organizing Digital Files Overview: In this course participants will learn how to create a standardized digital filing system to allow for fast and accurate retrieval of files. Stock image: Person typing on laptop
	INTRODUCTION SECTION
WELCOME	Heading with Paragraph Block WELCOME In this course you will learn how to organize digital files using some standard practices that can be implemented across your organization. Below are the 3 steps you will go through to organize your digital files. List Block 1. Delete unwanted files 2. Develop a hierarchy system for naming folders and subfolders 3. Develop a naming system for digital files
	STEP ONE: DELETE FILES
LESSON 1	OBJ: Not visible to the learner The learner is able to implement a process for locating and deleting unwanted files. Present the Learning Goal
	Image with Text Block Upload image from file Heading: Tidy Up!

Paragraph: Before you start renaming files, you need to delete the files that you no longer need.



Present the Content

Subheading with Paragraph Block

Subheading: Delete Files

Paragraph: There are three things to look for when deleting files. Select each tab to learn more.

Accordion Tab Block

Upload Images from file

Tab 1: Duplicate Files

Duplicate files happen for a couple of reasons. Files are sometimes downloaded twice (or multiple times) causing your device to automatically save the duplicate with a (#). In the example below the same document was downloaded 3 times.

- 2022-23-EMW-Form (2).pdf
- **3** 2022-23-EMW-Form (1).pdf
- 2022-23-EMW-Form.pdf

Tab 2: Out-of-Date Files

It is likely you have accumulated files that are no longer needed. For example, a requisition form has been updated making the old version out-of-date. You should delete these types of files so they are not accidentally used in the future. In the example below the company's travel request form has moved to a fillable version.





Tab 3: Multiple Versions

You may save multiple versions of a file. If you don't need them, delete them. If you need to save old versions for documentation they should be clearly named and archived. The next lesson will talk about naming files.

Expense_Report_Draft_2022
Expense_Report_Draft_2022_updated
Expense_Report_Draft_2022_updated 2
Expense_Report_Final_2022
Expense_Report_Final_2022

Paragraph Block

Watch this brief tutorial on how to quickly find and delete unwanted files.

Embed Video Block

Upload Video from file

Video Description: screen recording of how to find duplicate and out-of-date files.

Exercise

None for this lesson

Summarize and Bridge

Paragraph Block

Now that you have learned how to locate and delete unwanted files, you will learn how to set up your digital folders.

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	STEP TWO NAME FOLDERS
LESSON 2	OBJ: Not visible to the learner The learner is able to create folders and subfolders using a clear hierarchy.
	Present the Learning Goal Image with Paragraph Block Upload image from file
	Heading: Get Organized! Paragraph: A clear digital folder structure makes it easier to store and retrieve files, and helps promote collaboration with an organized way of sharing information.
	Present the Content Paragraph Block Read about the steps to create a hierarchy for streamlining your digital folders. Process Block
	Start Page Title: Create Digital Folders Paragraph: Read about the steps to create a hierarchy for streamlining your digital folders. Upload image from file



Upload Images for each step from File

Step 1: The Filing Cabinet

First, create a single folder that will contain all files. This is your digital filing cabinet. Many use the <u>My Documents</u> folder that is setup by default or you can create a folder called <u>My Filing Cabinet</u>.



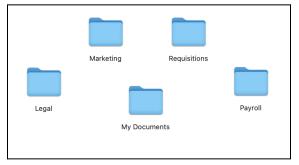
Step 2: Major Topics

Next, review your digital files and write down topics that apply to the types of digital files you save. You may have topics such as:

Accounting, Legal, Marketing, Operations, Projects, and Personal.

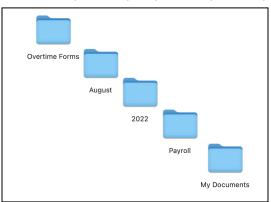
These topics become your primary list of folders under your My

Documents or My Filing Cabinet folder.



Step 3: Create Categories

Once you identify your major topics, you will need to break them down into smaller categories called sub-folders. Categories may be related to date, specific people, or specific projects.



Summary: Remember to limit your primary folders so that items are grouped in a logical manner. You will probably need to add more subfolders with your workload.

Summary stock Image: computer with folders

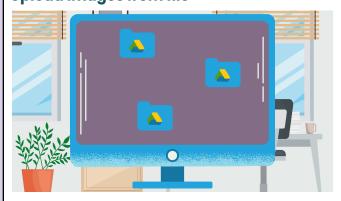
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Let's look at how this all works together. Select each hotspot to learn more.

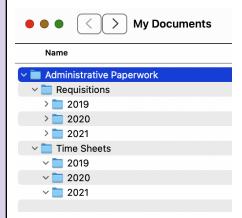
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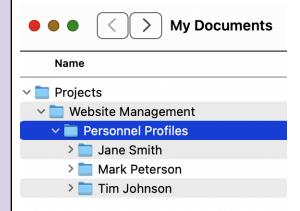
Hot Spot 1:

In this example you can see the secretary created a primary folder called Administrative Paperwork. In this folder there are two categories: Requisitions and Time Sheets. Within each category there are subfolders organized by years to keep files in timeline order.



Hot Spot 2:

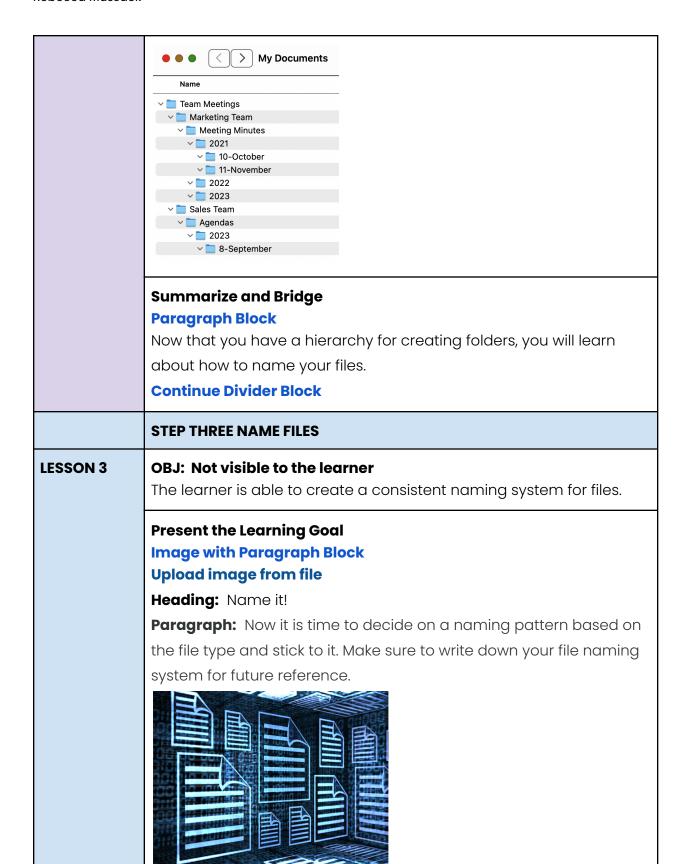
In this example you can see the secretary created a primary folder called Projects. In this folder there is one category so far titled Website Management. Within this category there is a subfolder called Personnel Profiles and within this subfolder there are more subfolders for each staff member's profile information.



Hot Spot 3:

In this example you can see the secretary created a primary folder called Team Meetings. In this folder there are two categories:

Marketing Team and Sales Team. Then you see subfolders for meeting minutes and agendas. Next there are subfolders organized by year and month. Notice the # is in front of each month to keep them listed in order.



Present the Content

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Before renaming your files, follow the steps below to make the process easier.

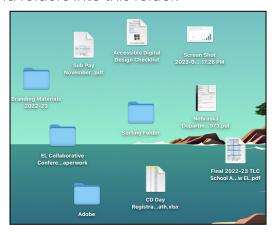
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Step 1

Sorting Folder

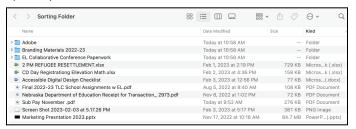
Create a folder named **Sorting Folder**. Gather all unorganized digital files and folders into this folder.



Step 2

View by File Type

View your Sorting Folder by file type. This allows you to see all of your files grouped by JPG images, PDFs, DOCs, XLSs, PPTs, MP3s, etc. Using this view will help you gather, contain, label, and create a home for files quickly.



Subheading with Paragraph Block

Subheading: Name Digital Files

Paragraph: Decide on a naming system. Write it down and stick with it. File names should include enough information so that the file can be located, identified, and retrieved quickly. Read about the parts to naming a digital file below.

List Block (Use checkbox option)

- File names should include:
 - o Title
 - o Date
 - Version #
- Use the format Year-Month-Day (four digit year, two digit month, two digit day)
 - YYYY-MM-DD
 - YYYY-MM
 - YYYY-YYYY
- Start with the date if it's significant to the sorting order such as for agendas and meeting notes
- Use underscores (_) as a separator between naming elements instead of a space.
 - o 2023_03_26_Agenda
- Include the version number by leading with zero for numbers
 0-9 (v01)
 - 2019_Requisition_Template_v03

Paragraph Block

When deciding the order of the elements, date first will usually be appropriate for events that are time specific and recurring. Event first will usually be appropriate for events that are infrequent.

Image with Paragraph Block

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Heading: Take a Close Look

Paragraph: Can you see how the naming system rules were applied to this file name? Consider how the title, date, and version elements were applied.

Accessible_Digital_Design_Checklist_2018_v02

Exercise

Paragraph Block

Using the rules above, sort these file names into Correct and Incorrect Groups.

Sorting Block

Correct:)	Incorrect:(
Office_Procedures_v01	Office Procedures v2
2007-01-20_Minutes	Agenda_ 20_Jan_2007
Award_Ceremony_2006-06	Donor_Reception_05-2009
Org_Chart_2006_v03	Org_Chart_Update_2-3-21

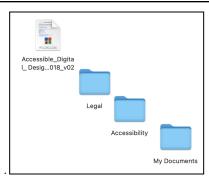
Summarize and Bridge

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Heading: Pro Tip!

Paragraph: As you rename your files, drag them into the appropriate folder or subfolder. Depending on the number of files you have, you may need to schedule time on your calendar to work until the process is complete.



Paragraph Block

Now it is time to see what you learned!

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KNOWLEDGE CHECK

ASSESSMENT

Image with Text Block

Stock Image: typing on laptop
Make a link to the Job Aid PDF File
Heading: Show What You Know

Paragraph: Answer the questions below using the knowledge you gained from this course. Download the <u>Organizing Digital Files Quick Guide</u> to refer to as needed.

Multiple Choice Blocks (6)

1. How can you identify a duplicate file?

a. The file will usually have a number after the name

- b. The file will usually have dates after the name
- c. The file will usually have a letter after the name **CORRECT FEEDBACK:** Great! You know how to spot duplicate files.

INCORRECT FEEDBACK: Not quite. Remember the file will usually have a number after the name.

2. If you need to save an old file for documentation you should

a. archive the file in a back-up location

- b. keep the file in the same place as the updated file
- c. make a new folder and file it there

CORRECT FEEDBACK: Yes! Archive to a back-up location.

INCORRECT FEEDBACK: Oops! The best way to save an old file for documentation is to archive it.

3. Why should you delete out-of-date files?

a. to avoid using the incorrect file

- b. to save space in the folder
- c. to ensure you have enough memory
 CORRECT FEEDBACK: You are right! Delete out-of-date files to avoid using the incorrect one.

INCORRECT FEEDBACK: Not quite. You should delete out-of-date files to avoid using the incorrect file.

4. What is the first step in creating folders?

a. Create a single folder that holds all other folders

- b. Create topic folders based on the types of files
- c. Create folders by date in order to organize yearly CORRECT FEEDBACK: Yes! The first step is to create a single folder titled My Documents or My Filing Cabinet. INCORRECT FEEDBACK: Oops! The first step is to create a My Documents or My Filing Cabinet folder to house all other folders.
- 5. What is an example of the correct hierarchy for digital folders?

a. My Documents > Marketing > Agendas > 2023 > June

- b. Marketing > My Documents > Agendas > 2023 > June
- c. Agendas > 2023 > June > Marketing > My Documents **CORRECT FEEDBACK:** That is right! This hierarchy makes the most sense.

INCORRECT FEEDBACK: That's not right. The hierarchy that makes the most sense is My Documents>Marketing>Agendas>2023>June.

6. What is an important step to take before beginning the process of organizing your digital files?

a. Create a Sorting Folder and drag all files inside

- b. Open your old folders and drag files onto your desktop
- c. Drag all of your files into your My Documents folder CORRECT FEEDBACK: Exactly! This will keep track of what files you have and have not sorted.

INCORRECT FEEDBACK: Sorry that is not correct. Creating a Sorting Folder first will help you keep track of what files you have and have not sorted.

- 7. Which is an example of how to correctly name a file?
 - a. 2023_06_Requisitions_Smith

	b. Requisitions_2023_June_Smith
	c. 06_23_Requisitions_Smith
	CORRECT FEEDBACK: You have it! This is an example of
	a Date First file name.
	INCORRECT FEEDBACK: Oops. Remember to use date
	formats of YYYY_MM_DD, YYYYY_MM, or YYYY_YYYY
	8. When would you use Event First order in a file name?
	a. when an event or file is infrequent
	b. always start with the event first
	c. when an event or file is time specific
	CORRECT FEEDBACK: Yes! Use Event First order when
	an event is infrequent.
	INCORRECT FEEDBACK: Not quite. Use Event First order
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