

Using a Word Processor to Get Rid Of Forward Brackets

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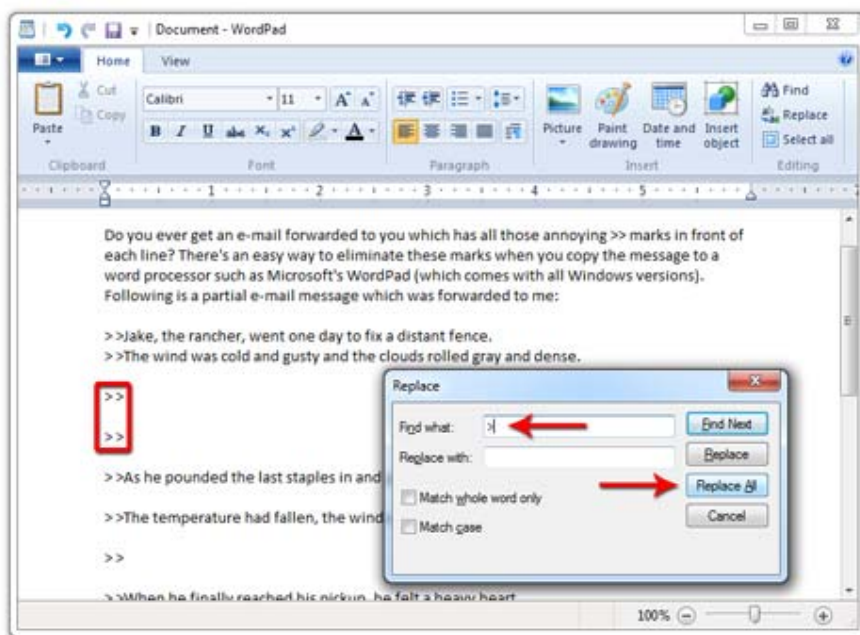
How do I get rid of all those symbols that appear in forwarded e-mails?

Do you ever get an e-mail forwarded to you which has all those annoying >> marks in front of each line? There's an easy way to eliminate these marks when you copy the message to a word processor such as Microsoft's WordPad (which comes with all Windows versions). Following is a partial e-mail message which was forwarded to me:

> > Jake, the rancher, went one day to fix a distant fence.
> > The wind was cold and gusty and the clouds rolled grey and dense.
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> > As he pounded the last staples in and gathered tools to go,
> > The temperature had fallen, the wind and snow began to blow.
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> > When he finally reached his pickup, he felt a heavy heart.
> > > From the sound of that ignition, he knew it wouldn't start.
> >

Copy this mess into **WordPad** (Found under the **Start** button, **Program Files, Accessories**) and press the **Ctrl + H** keys on your keyboard to bring up the **Replace** box.

In the **Find What** box, put > (found on the period key) and leave the **Replace with** box empty.



Then select **Replace All**.

All the ">>" marks will be gone! Hit Cancel to close the Replace box and continue editing the document.

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