

# **TurningPoint Parser Documents**

The TurningPoint Parser can import two kinds of documents:

- an XML document
- a Microsoft Word document (.doc)

To be imported by the TurningPoint Parser, these documents must be formatted in the proper way. The

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following sections describe the proper formats for documents imported by the Parser.

Find more information about using the TurningPoint Parser in *TurningPoint Parser* on page 75.

# XML Documents

The following is a basic shell of the XML document type accepted by the TurningPoint Parser:

```
<slides count="" id="">
  <slide id="" type="" multiresponse="">
    <question alias="" filename=""
      imageposition="" />
    <topic id="" />
    <answers>
      <answer alias="" value="" filename="" />
    </answers>
  </slide>
</slides>
```

Each element is described below, along with an example and an explanation of the attributes.

**Note** Remember that the following characters are reserved in XML: < > & ' `

Use the XML entities for these characters (&lt; &gt; &amp; &apos; &quot; respectively).

### slides

The slides element is the top-level element in the XML document and contains all the information TurningPoint

requires to create the interactive presentation. The `slides` element contains a number of `slide` elements.

```
<slides count="1" id="86FF9DB9">
```

| Attribute | Description  |
|-----------|--|
| count     | The total number of slide elements in the presentation.                          |
| id        | An optional attribute that contains a unique identifier for the group of slides. |

**slide** Each `slide` element contains the question and answer information for a single slide.

```
<slide id="E15F45B" type="D" multiresponse="1">
```

| Attribute     | Description   |
|---------------|---|
| id            | An optional attribute that contains a unique identifier for the slide.  |
| type          | Defines what type of slide to create using a single-letter code. The following types are accepted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Q = standard question slide</li> <li>• P = picture slide</li> <li>• D = demographic slide</li> <li>• S = speed scoring slide</li> <li>• F = fill in the blank slide (vPad only)</li> <li>• E = essay slide (vPad only)</li> <li>• M = moment to moment slide</li> </ul> |
| multiresponse | An optional attribute that contains the number of responses allowed per keypad for the slide. Accepted values are 1–10.   |

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**question** The `question` element contains the question information (as attributes) and the question text (as content).

```
<question alias="Gender?" filename=""  
          imageposition="">  
  What is your gender?  
</question>
```

| Attribute     | Description   |
|---------------|---|
| alias         | An optional attribute that contains an alias for the question.  |
| filename      | An optional attribute that contains a filename for a picture that can be included with the question.  |
| imageposition | An optional attribute that sets the question picture position. The following are acceptable values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• L = Left</li><li>• R = Right</li><li>• F = Full</li></ul> |

**topic** The `topic` element contains the question topic.

```
<topic id=""></topic>
```

| Attribute | Description  |
|-----------|--|
| id        | An optional attribute that contains a unique identifier for the topic. |

**answers** The `answers` element contains a number of `answer` elements.

```
<answers>
```

**answer** Each `answer` element contains answer information (as attributes) and the answer text (as content) for a single answer.

```
<answer alias="" value="" filename="">
  Female
</answer>
```

| Attribute | Description  |
|-----------|--|
| alias     | An optional attribute that contains an alias for the question.   |
| value     | An optional attribute that contains a value for the answer. Valid answer values are “Correct”, “Incorrect”, or a point value 1–10000.  |
| filename  | An optional attribute that contains a filename for a picture that can be used in place of the answer text on the slide. This attribute is used only if the slide type attribute is set to “P”. |

## Word Documents

To create a Word document to be imported by the TurningPoint Parser, you must create an outline using the heading styles built into Word. You can apply the heading styles using the drop-down menu in the

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Formatting toolbar, or in the Styles and Formatting pane available through the Format menu.

Each question must use the “Heading 1” style. The question is followed by several answers on separate lines using the “Heading 2” style.

In addition to the question and answer text, there are optional TurningPoint tags you can use to control other settings. Each TurningPoint tag must use the “Heading 3” style. Tags occur at the start of the outline (for tags that apply to the entire presentation) or on the lines immediately following a question or answer (for tags that apply only to a specific question or answer). A tag is formatted in the following way:

```
<tag>value
```

All tags are optional. If omitted, the slide will default to a standard question slide.

The tags are described in the following table.

| <b>Tag</b> | <b>Location</b>                           | <b>Description and Allowed Values</b>   |
|------------|---|---|
| <c>        | Start of outline.                         | The number of slides in the presentation.   |
| <d>        | Start of outline or following a question. | Contains the Session ID (if at the start of the outline) or topic ID (if following a question). |
| <a>        | Following a question or an answer.        | Contains an alias for a question or answer.   |

| Tag | Location                           | Description and Allowed Values  |
|-----|------------------------------------|---|
| <t> | Following a question.              | Defines what type of slide to create using a single-letter code. The following types are accepted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Q = standard question slide</li> <li>• P = picture slide</li> <li>• D = demographic slide</li> <li>• S = speed scoring slide</li> <li>• F = fill in the blank slide (vPad only)</li> <li>• E = essay slide (vPad only)</li> <li>• M = moment to moment slide</li> </ul> |
| <f> | Following a question or an answer. | The filename of a picture file. If the tag follows a question, the picture will be added next to the question text on the slide. If the slide type is “P” and the tag follows an answer, the picture will replace the answer text on the slide.   |
| <n> | Following a question.              | Contains the question picture position. The following are acceptable values: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• L = Left</li> <li>• R = Right</li> <li>• F = Full</li> </ul>  |
| <m> | Following a question.              | Contains the number of responses allowed per keypad for the slide. Accepted values are 1–10.  |
| <p> | Following a question.              | Contains the question topic.  |
| <v> | Following an answer.               | Contains a value for the answer. Valid answer values are “Correct”, “Incorrect”, or a point value 1–10000.  |

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