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Thread: [How can i edit a file without extension? \[Python3\]](#)

**ilikepython** - December 15, 2015, 8:11 am

this is what i've tried, seems the most simplest way to me:

```
Code f = open ("C:\users\user\desktop\noextension","w+") #This shows no error
f.write("test") #This says that file is unwritable
Any suggestions?
```

**bbbysmth** - December 15, 2015, 10:43 am

Quote:How can i edit a file without extension? [Python3]

I'm guessing you edit the same way you would edit a file with an extension.

**RootBite** - December 15, 2015, 2:14 pm

Hmm. well that means it has insufficient permissions probably. try just "w" not "w+".

If not, see if you can find the file extension

**NON-** - December 15, 2015, 3:18 pm

It shouldn't have a problem reading a file that doesn't have an extension. I just double checked it for myself.

```
Code @pandora:~$ cat noext
nothing here
@pandora:~$ python
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```
>>> f = open('/home/moi/noext', 'w')
>>> f.write('still nothing\n')
>>> f.close()
```

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```
@pandora:~$ cat noext
still nothing
```

If you want to create the file using Python first, then I would recommend using...

Code `import os; os.mknod("newfile.txt")` It's a little naughty but it's usually gets the job done without over complicating things.

**Pseudonym** - December 16, 2015, 2:15 am

I think that backslashes in path should be all escaped. Try it with  
`("C:\\users\\user\\desktop\\noextension","w+")`