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I'm experiencing a frustrating issue with hanging indents in Word 2011. I've successfully used this feature before, but now it's not cooperating. My goal is to achieve a specific layout: eight spaces followed by a tab indent for the first line of text, and two spaces followed by a tab indent for subsequent lines. This seems like an easy problem, but somehow I'm stuck. I've checked the Format > Paragraph menu and clicked on "Indents and Spacing," selecting "Hanging" under Special with 0.5 inches as the indent amount. However, when I hit enter after typing eight spaces followed by a tab, the subsequent line doesn't align with the previous tabbed line; instead, it lines up with the left margin. I'm starting to feel like this is a common issue that I should be able to resolve quickly. If anyone has any tips or advice on how to make hanging indents work in Word 2011, I would greatly appreciate it. Microsoft Word offers three primary styles of indentation: first-line indent, hanging indent, and no indent. First-line indent is commonly used in books and newspapers, where every paragraph's first line is indented. Hanging indent is typically employed for citations in Chicago, APA, or MLA citation styles. No indent is the default style, where every line is at an equal distance from the left margin. For most business documents, such as letters and reports, no indent is preferred. However, it ultimately depends on the document's purpose and your personal preference. To set an indentation style in Microsoft Word, follow these steps: * Click on the text you want to apply an indent style. * Select the "Paragraph settings" launcher from the Home menu. * Go to the "Indents and Spacing" tab. * Under "Special," choose your preferred indentation style. For Mac users, the process is similar. To set an indentation style for a single paragraph: 1. Click on the text you want to apply an indent style. 2. Press the Tab key to create a first-line indent. 3. Adjust the tab stop on the ruler to achieve the desired depth of indentation. To set an indentation style for multiple paragraphs, select the text and drag the tab stop pointing down as far right as you want the selected paragraphs to be indented. Microsoft Word does not automatically indent paragraphs by default, but you can change this for your desktop app or browser version. To make first-line indentation the default, follow these steps: First, place your cursor within a paragraph, then go to the Home tab and modify the Normal style. Select Format > Paragraph and navigate to the Indents and Spacing tab, where you'll find the Special dropdown list with the option "First line". Make sure to check this box if you want first-line indentation in all new documents. You may have noticed an option for Mirror indents; however, we recommend leaving it unchecked as it's more suitable for page layout programs like Adobe InDesign or Quark Xpress. To quickly adjust the indentation of a paragraph, use the buttons available on the Paragraph section of the Home menu.

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