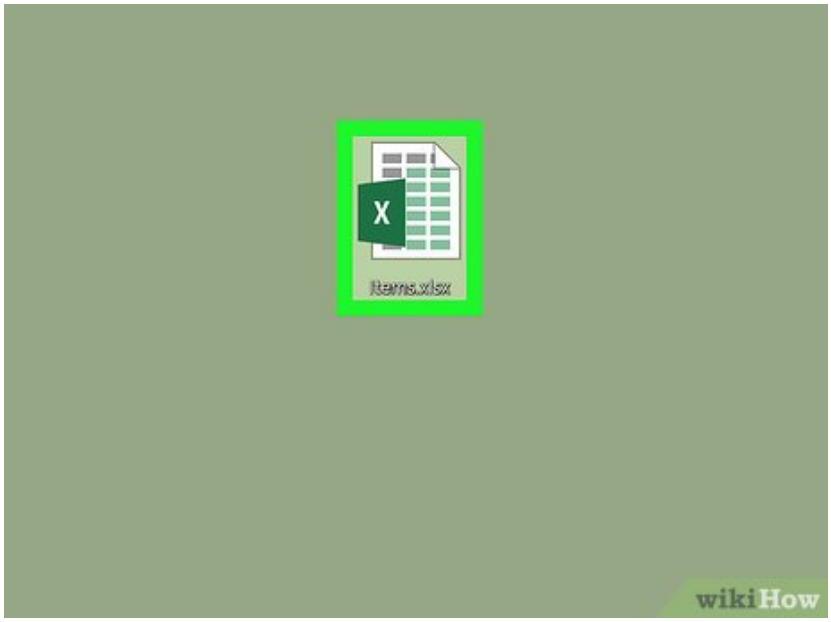
How to Unhide Rows in Excel

This wikiHow teaches you how to force one or more hidden rows in a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet to display. Open the Excel document. Double-click the Excel document that you want to use to open it in Excel.

Method 1 of 3:

Unhiding All Hidden Rows

1. 

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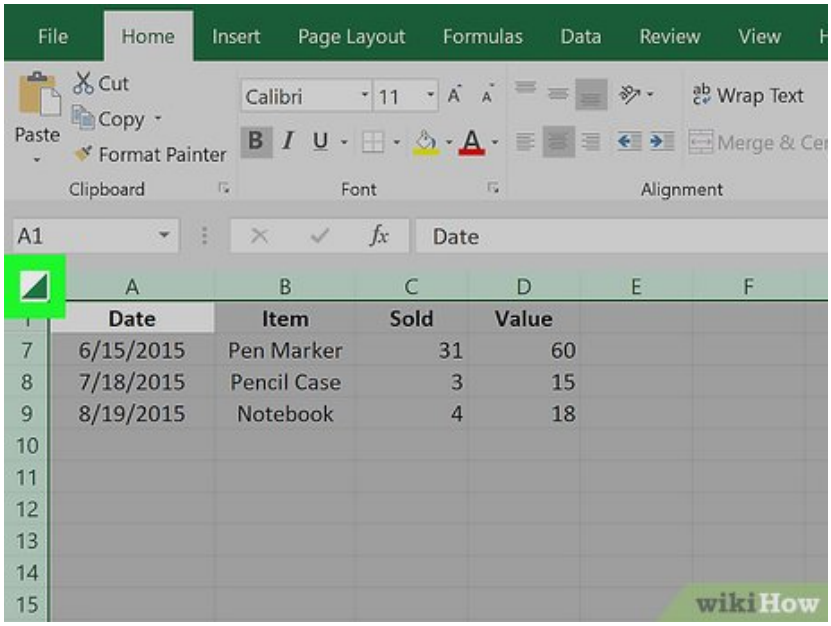
2. 

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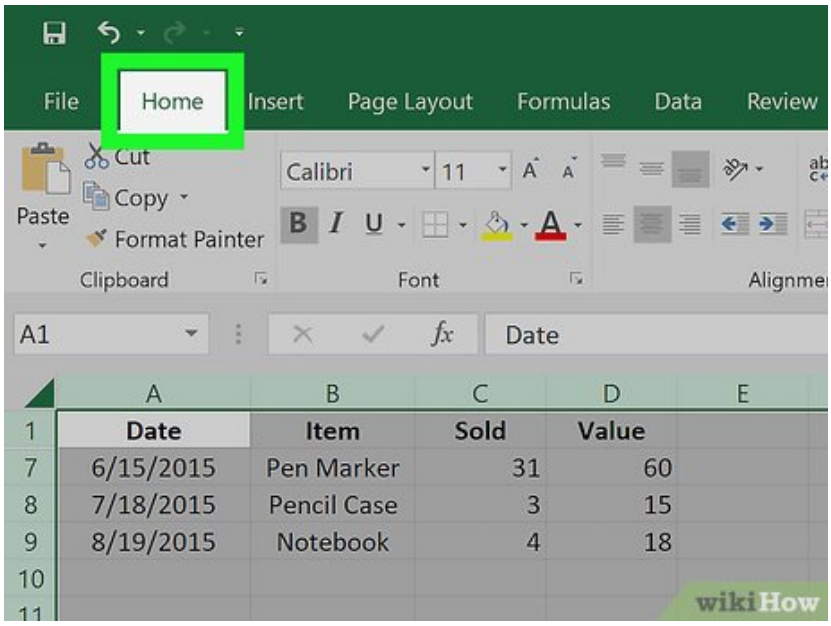
3. 

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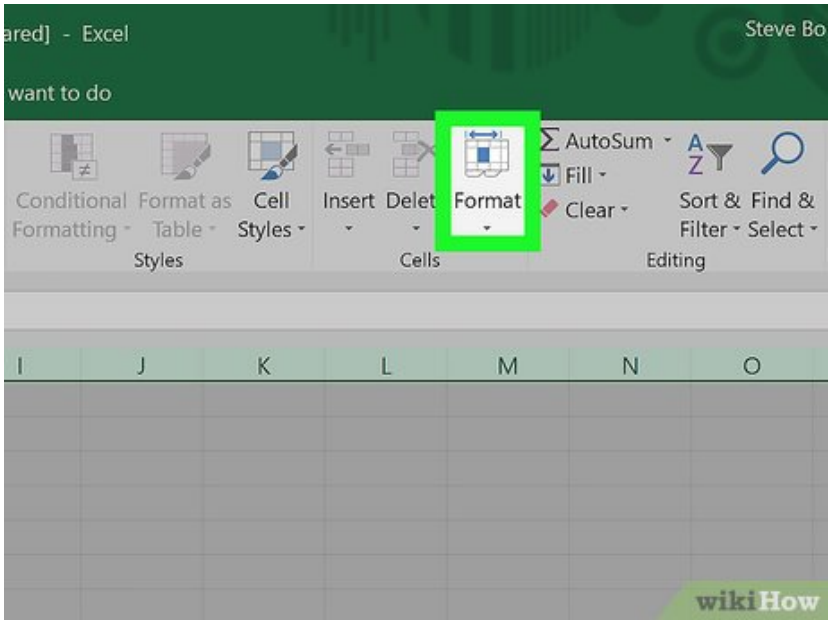
4. 

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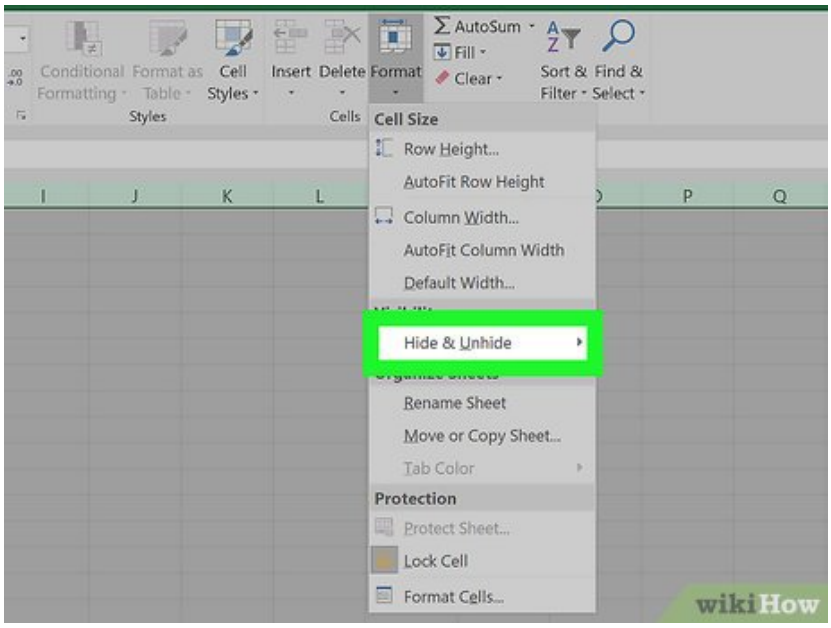
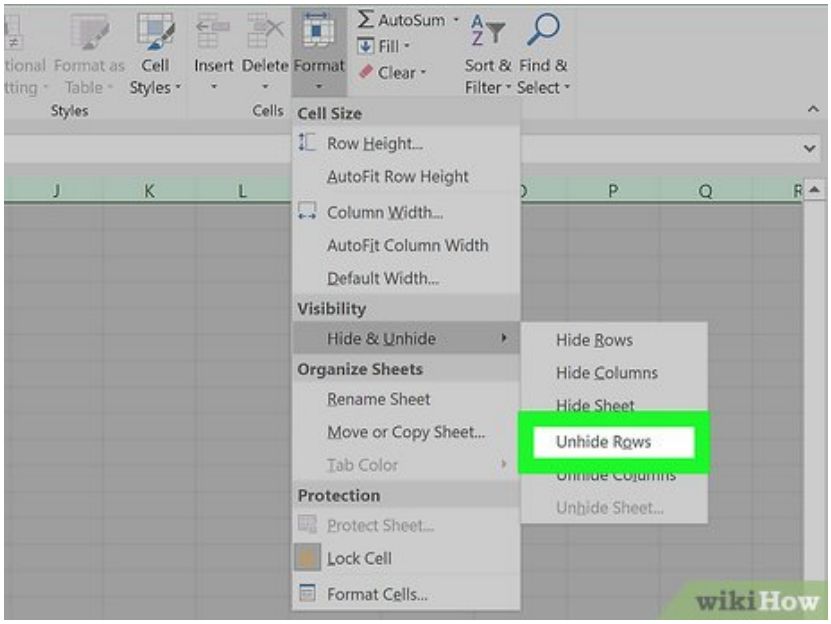
5. 

Select **Hide & Unhide**. You'll find this option in the **Format** drop-down menu. Selecting it prompts a pop-out menu to appear.

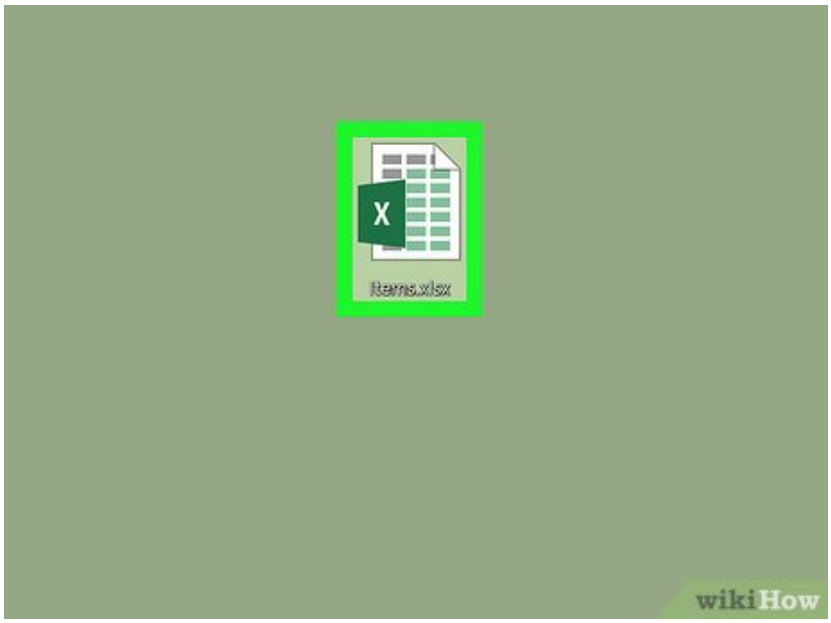
6. 

Click Unhide Rows**.** It's in the pop-out menu. Doing so immediately causes any hidden rows to appear in the spreadsheet.

1. You can save your changes by pressing Ctrl + S (Windows) or ? Command + S (Mac).

Method 2 of 3:

Unhiding a Specific Row

1. 

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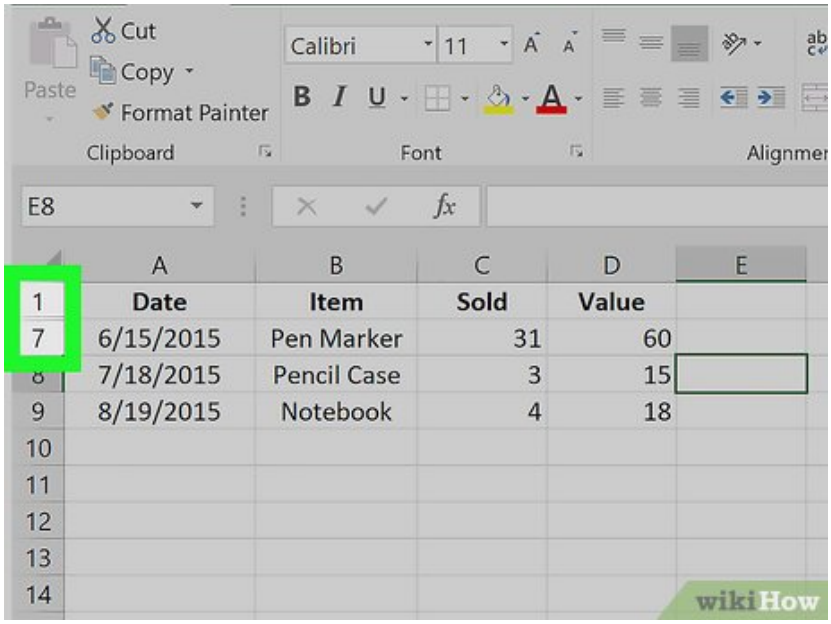
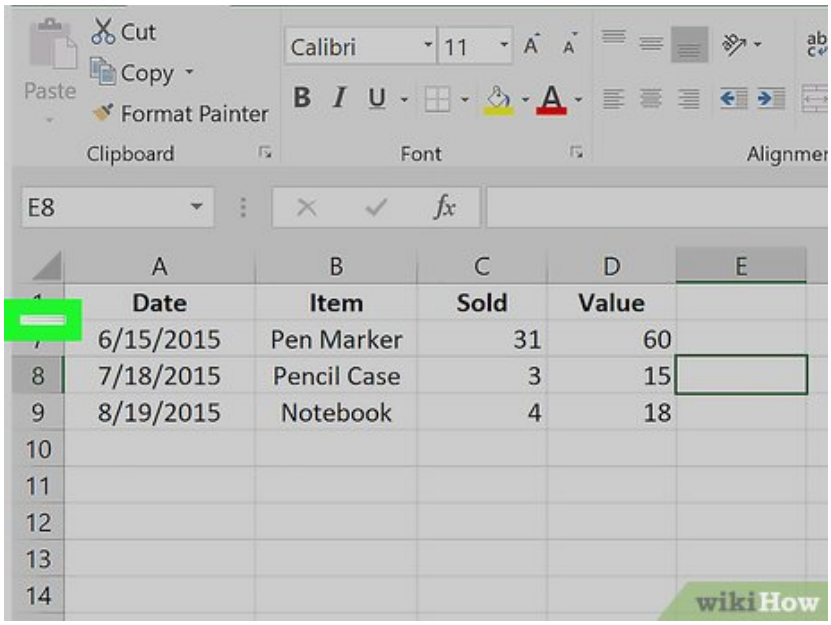
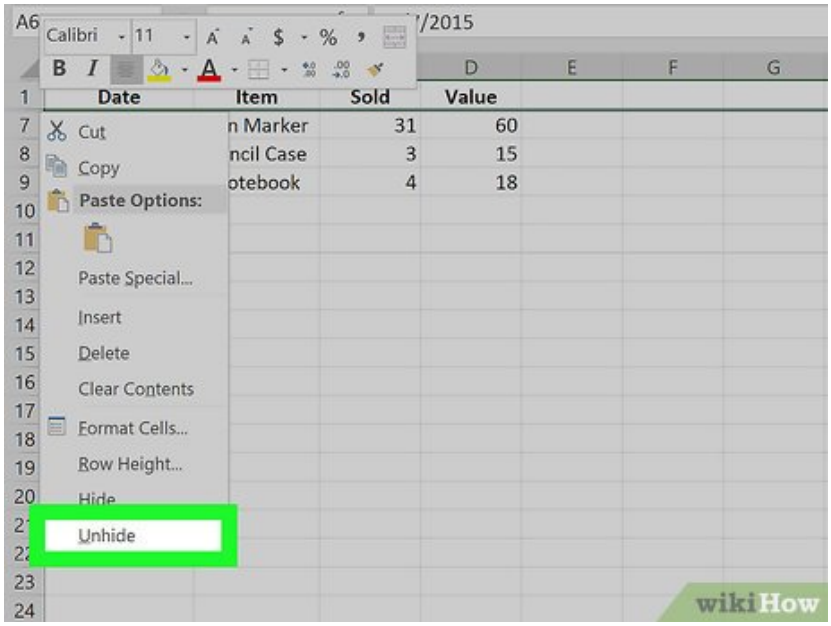
2. 

Find the hidden row. Look at the row numbers on the left side of the document as you scroll down; if you see a skip in numbers (e.g., row **23** is directly above row **25**), the row in between the numbers is hidden (in **23** and **25** example, row **24** would be hidden). You should also see a double line between the two row numbers.[1]

3. 

Right-click the space between the two row numbers. Doing so prompts a drop-down menu to appear.

1. For example, if row **24** is hidden, you would right-click the space between **23** and **25**.
2. On a Mac, you can hold down Control while clicking this space to prompt the drop-down menu.

4. 

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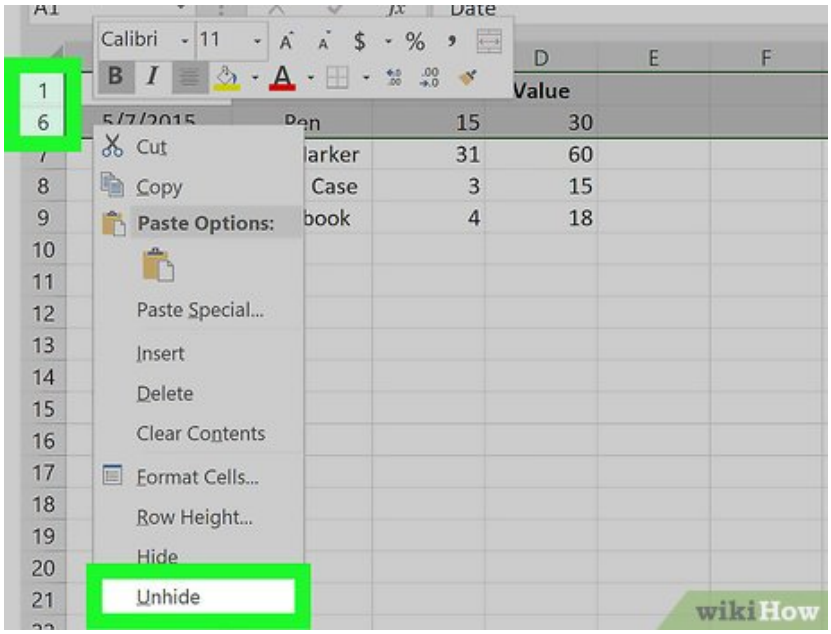
5. 

Unhide a range of rows. If you notice that several rows are missing, you can unhide all of the rows by doing the following:

1. Hold down Ctrl (Windows) or ? Command (Mac) while clicking the row number above the hidden rows and the row number below the hidden rows.
2. Right-click one of the selected row numbers.
3. Click **Unhide** in the drop-down menu.

Method 3 of 3:

Adjusting Row Height

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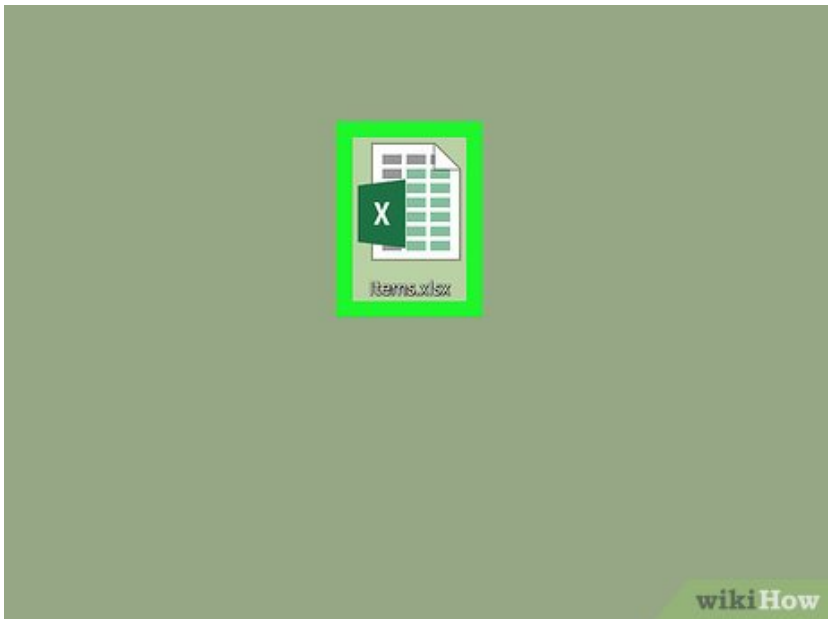
Understand when this method is necessary. One form of hiding rows involves the height of the row(s) in question to be so short that the row effectively disappears. You can reset the height of all spreadsheet rows to "14.4" (the default height) to address this.

2. 

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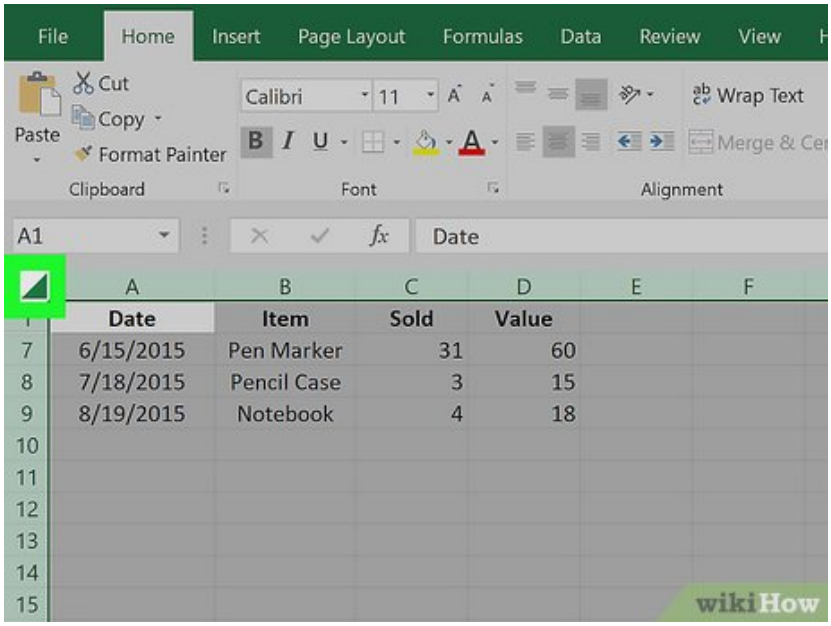
3. 

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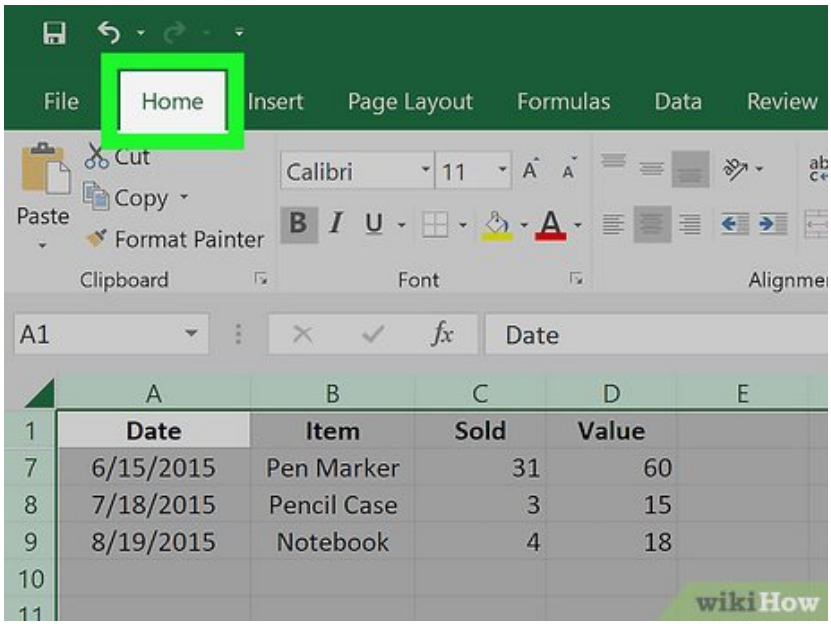
4. 

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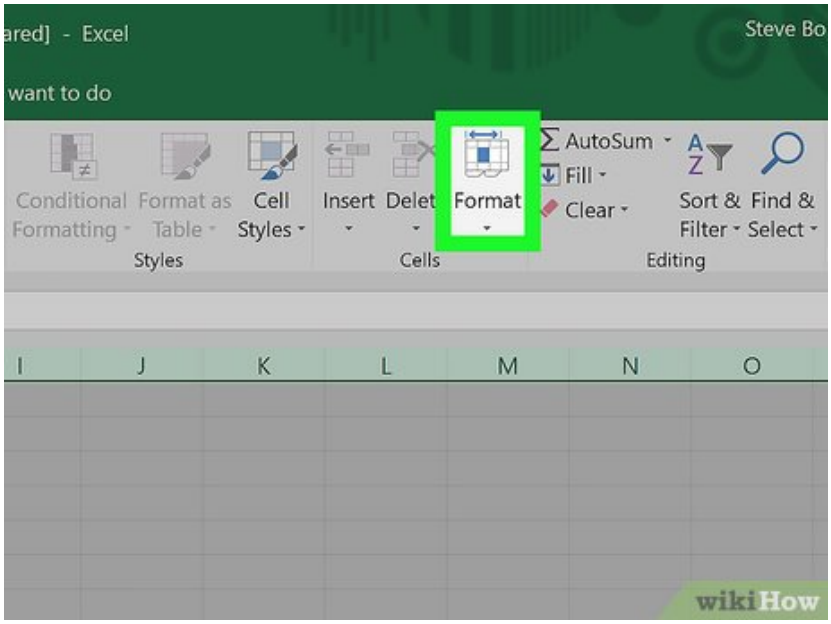
5. 

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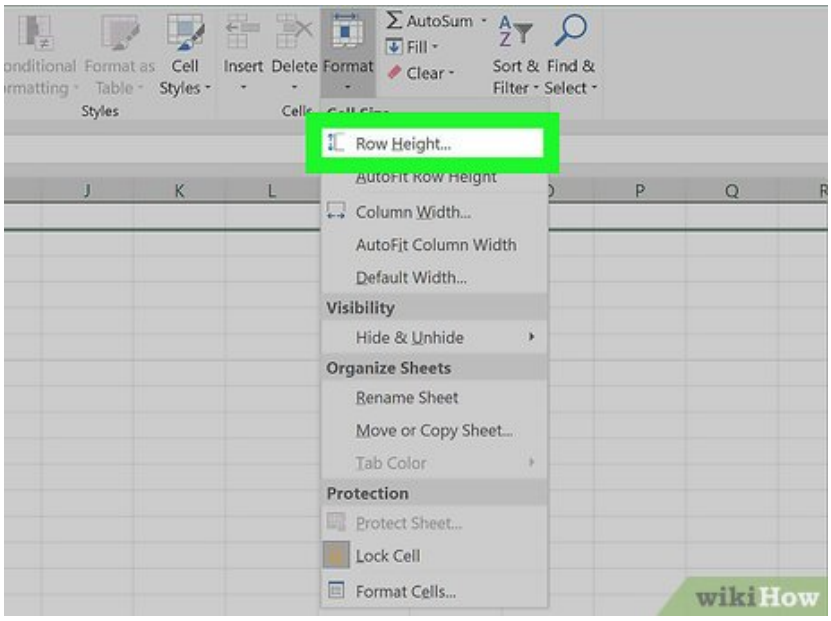
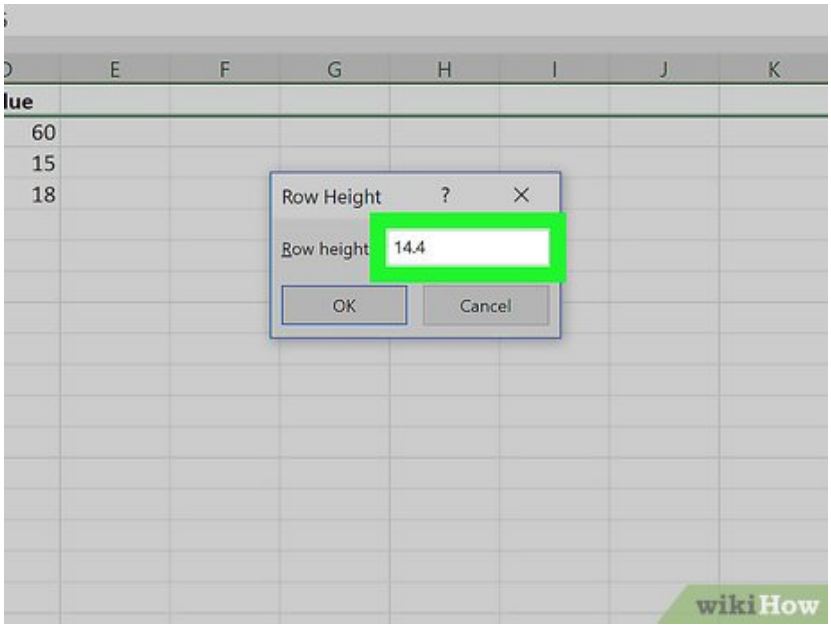
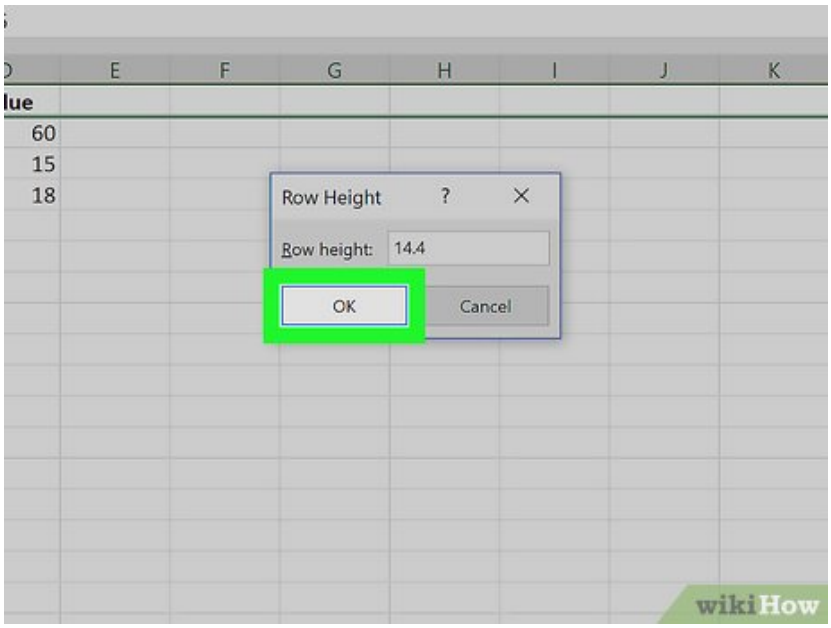
6. 

Click **Row Height…**. It's in the drop-down menu. This will open a pop-up window with a blank text field in it.

7. 

Enter the default row height. Type `14.4` into the pop-up window's text field.

8. 

Click OK. Doing so will apply your changes to all rows in the spreadsheet, thus unhiding any rows which were "hidden" via their height properties.

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