## Games programming - saving high score to file

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## Step 1. Ask to input your name after game has ended IF your score is larger than the previous high score

Declare a new variable (top level) Dim playerName as String = ""

Make a label (name: nameLabel, font size 14) to display this variable underneath High Score

## Step 2. Make your program write to the highScore and playerName to a text file

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Declare variable under Timer1_Tick

Dim FileNum As Integer

Under IF score>highscore
    FileNum = FreeFile()
        Debug.Print(FileNum)
        FileOpen(FileNum, "score.txt", OpenMode.Output)
        PrintLine(FileNum, playerName)
        PrintLine(FileNum, highScore)
        FileClose(FileNum)
```

## Step 3. Load high score and player name from beginning of game

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Under Form1_Load event handler
    Dim FileNum As Integer = FreeFile()

FileOpen(FileNum, "score.txt", OpenMode.Input)
    playerName = LineInput(FileNum)
    highScore = LineInput(FileNum)
    FileClose(FileNum)
    nameLabel.Text = "Best Player: " & playerName
    highScoreLabel.Text = "High Score: " & highScore
```