At A Glance: Adobe Acrobat Pro DC FAQs

You've installed Acrobat DC, and you have questions about vocab and versions

QUESTION	ANSWER
What's the difference between Reader and Acrobat Pro ?	Reader is free software used for reviewing PDFs. With Reader you can search, copy text and images, work with existing bookmarks, add comments and markup, and more.
	Acrobat Pro is a PDF editor. With Pro you can edit PDFs, such as add bookmarks, extract pages, combine files, run OCR, export to Word, and even edit text and images.
	NOTE: Adobe has rebranded its software, so Reader is now called Acrobat Reader DC , and Acrobat Pro is now called Adobe Acrobat Pro DC .
What's the difference between viewing PDFs in the browser vs. downloaded copies?	When you open PDF file in a browser – for example, from SharePoint or a website – then your browser uses an add-on to display the PDF with additional tools. In general, this interface is a version of Acrobat Reader .
	NOTE: There are different add-ons depending on the web portal you are in. For example, a PDF opened from your company's SharePoint site may display differently than a PDF opened from a public website.
	When you download a PDF, you are working with a local , offline copy of the file within the Adobe Acrobat Pro PDF editor. Downloading PDFs and working on them locally gives you many more tools and options.
What's the difference between Acrobat XI and Acrobat DC?	Of XI and DC, DC is the newer version.
	(P.S. "XI" stands for 11 and "DC" stands for Document Cloud. It's all about branding.)
What's the difference between Adobe Acrobat and Nitro Pro?	PDF is a standardized, open format, and many software vendors offer PDF editing software.
	Nitro Pro is a PDF editor that is not made by Adobe, but by another software vendor. PDF files are completely compatible between products.
	TIP: If you have more than one PDF editor installed, most likely Adobe Acrobat is the default. In that case, to open a PDF file in an alternate editor such as Nitro Pro, right click the file and choose Open With.