



# Java - String Methods – List with Uses and Examples

## What is String Methods ?

In Java, `String` is a class in `java.lang` package that provides many built-in methods to perform operations on text.

## Java String Methods – Quick Reference Table

Method	Use	Example	Output
<code>length()</code>	Returns length of string	<code>"Hello".length()</code>	<code>5</code>
<code>charAt(i)</code>	Returns character at index	<code>"Java".charAt(2)</code>	<code>v</code>
<code>substring(i)</code>	Part of string from index	<code>"Programming".substring(3)</code>	<code>gramming</code>
<code>substring(i, j)</code>	Part between indices	<code>"Programming".substring(0, 6)</code>	<code>Progra</code>
<code>equals()</code>	Compares 2 strings (case-sensitive)	<code>"Java".equals("java")</code>	<code>false</code>
<code>equalsIgnoreCase()</code>	Compares ignoring case	<code>"Java".equalsIgnoreCase("java")</code>	<code>true</code>
<code>compareTo()</code>	Lexicographic comparison	<code>"Apple".compareTo("Banana")</code>	<code>-1</code>
<code>concat()</code>	Joins 2 strings	<code>"Hello".concat(" World")</code>	<code>Hello World</code>

Method	Use	Example	Output
<code>toUpperCase()</code>	Converts to uppercase	<code>"java".toUpperCase()</code>	<code>JAVA</code>
<code>toLowerCase()</code>	Converts to lowercase	<code>"JAVA".toLowerCase()</code>	<code>java</code>
<code>trim()</code>	Removes spaces from ends	<code>" Hello ".trim()</code>	<code>Hello</code>
<code>replace()</code>	Replaces character/substring	<code>"Java".replace('a','@')</code>	<code>J@v@</code>
<code>contains()</code>	Checks substring present	<code>"Hello Java".contains("Java")</code>	<code>true</code>
<code>startsWith()</code>	Checks beginning	<code>"Hello".startsWith("He")</code>	<code>true</code>
<code>endsWith()</code>	Checks ending	<code>"Hello".endsWith("lo")</code>	<code>true</code>
<code>indexOf()</code>	First occurrence position	<code>"programming".indexOf("g")</code>	<code>3</code>
<code>lastIndexOf()</code>	Last occurrence position	<code>"programming".lastIndexOf("g")</code>	<code>10</code>
<code>isEmpty()</code>	Checks empty string	<code>"".isEmpty()</code>	<code>true</code>
<code>isBlank()</code> (Java 11+)	Empty or only spaces	<code>" ".isBlank()</code>	<code>true</code>
<code>split()</code>	Splits string by regex	<code>"a,b,c".split(",")</code>	<code>["a","b","c"]</code>
<code>valueOf()</code>	Converts to string	<code>String.valueOf(100)</code>	<code>"100"</code>
<code>toCharArray()</code>	Converts to char array	<code>"Hi".toCharArray()</code>	<code>['H','i']</code>
<code>format()</code>	Returns formatted string	<code>String.format("Age: %d", 20)</code>	<code>Age: 20</code>

# Java String Methods – Uses, Examples & Outputs

## 1. length()

- **Use:** Returns number of characters.

```
String s = "Hello";
System.out.println(s.length());
// Output: 5
```

## 2. charAt(int index)

- **Use:** Returns character at given index.

```
String s = "Java";  
System.out.println(s.charAt(2));  
// Output: v
```

### 3. substring(int beginIndex)

- **Use:** Extracts substring from index to end.

```
String s = "Programming";  
System.out.println(s.substring(3));  
// Output: gramming
```

### 4. substring(int beginIndex, int endIndex)

- **Use:** Extracts substring between two indices.

```
String s = "Programming";  
System.out.println(s.substring(0, 6));  
// Output: Progra
```

### 5. equals(Object another)

- **Use:** Checks equality (case-sensitive).

```
String s1 = "Java", s2 = "java";  
System.out.println(s1.equals(s2));  
// Output: false
```

### 6. equalsIgnoreCase(String another)

- **Use:** Checks equality ignoring case.

```
String s1 = "Java", s2 = "java";  
System.out.println(s1.equalsIgnoreCase(s2));  
// Output: true
```

### 7. compareTo(String another)

- **Use:** Compares lexicographically.

```
System.out.println("Apple".compareTo("Banana"));  
// Output: -1 (because Apple < Banana)
```

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## 8. concat(String str)

- **Use:** Joins two strings.

```
String s1 = "Hello", s2 = "World";  
System.out.println(s1.concat(" " + s2));  
// Output: Hello World
```

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## 9. toUpperCase()

- **Use:** Converts to uppercase.

```
String s = "java";  
System.out.println(s.toUpperCase());  
// Output: JAVA
```

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## 10. toLowerCase()

- **Use:** Converts to lowercase.

```
String s = "JAVA";  
System.out.println(s.toLowerCase());  
// Output: java
```

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## 11. trim()

- **Use:** Removes spaces from start and end.

```
String s = " Hello Java ";  
System.out.println(s.trim());  
// Output: Hello Java
```

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## 12. replace(char old, char new)

- **Use:** Replaces characters.

```
String s = "Java is fun";  
System.out.println(s.replace('a', '@'));  
// Output: J@v@ is fun
```

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## 13. replace(CharSequence target, CharSequence replacement)

- **Use:** Replaces substrings.

```
String s = "Java is fun";  
System.out.println(s.replace("fun", "easy"));  
// Output: Java is easy
```

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## 14. contains(CharSequence seq)

- **Use:** Checks substring presence.

```
String s = "Learning Java";  
System.out.println(s.contains("Java"));  
// Output: true
```

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## 15. startsWith(String prefix)

- **Use:** Checks if string starts with prefix.

```
String s = "HelloWorld";  
System.out.println(s.startsWith("Hello"));  
// Output: true
```

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## 16. endsWith(String suffix)

- **Use:** Checks if string ends with suffix.

```
String s = "HelloWorld";  
System.out.println(s.endsWith("World"));  
// Output: true
```

## 17. indexOf(String str)

- **Use:** Finds first occurrence of substring.

```
String s = "programming";
System.out.println(s.indexOf("g"));
// Output: 3
```

## 18. lastIndexOf(String str)

- **Use:** Finds last occurrence of substring.

```
String s = "programming";
System.out.println(s.lastIndexOf("g"));
// Output: 10
```

## 19. isEmpty()

- **Use:** Checks if string length is 0.

```
String s = "";
System.out.println(s.isEmpty());
// Output: true
```

## 20. isBlank() (Java 11+)

- **Use:** Checks if empty or whitespace only.

```
String s = " ";
System.out.println(s.isBlank());
// Output: true
```

## 21. split(String regex)

- **Use:** Splits string into parts.

```
String s = "apple,banana,grapes";
String[] arr = s.split(",");
for(String fruit : arr) {
    System.out.println(fruit);
}
```

```
}
```

**Output:**

```
apple  
banana  
grapes
```

## 22. valueOf()

- **Use:** Converts value to string.

```
int num = 100;  
String s = String.valueOf(num);  
System.out.println(s + 50);  
// Output: 10050
```

## 23. toCharArray()

- **Use:** Converts to character array.

```
String s = "Hello";  
char[] arr = s.toCharArray();  
for(char c : arr) {  
    System.out.print(c + " ");  
}
```

**Output:**

```
H e l l o
```