

LECTURE 6 — STRINGS IN JAVASCRIPT

JavaScript Core — Strings (Text Handling Mastery)
First Principles • Real-Life Examples • Complete Toolkit

FIRST PRINCIPLE — “STRING HOTI KYA HAI?”

Simple Definition

String = characters ka **sequence (text)**
Jo hamesha quotes ke andar likha jata hai.

👉 JavaScript me strings likhne ke **3 tareeke** hote hain:

- `'single quotes'`
- `"double quotes"`
- ``backticks``

Real-Life Analogy

WhatsApp message, username, comment → **STRING**

WAYS TO DECLARE STRING

```
let singleQuote = 'Hello, world';
```

```
let doubleQuote = "Hello, world";
```

```
let backticks = `Hello, world`;
```

IMPORTANT

Teenon ka kaam same hai —
par **backticks** extra power dete hain

STRING INTERPOLATION (BACKTICKS MAGIC)

◆ Problem (Without Backticks)

String ke andar variable jodna messy ho jata hai.

◆ Solution → Template Literals ()

```
let price = 80;  
  
console.log(`Price of the tomato is ${price}`);
```

■ OUTPUT

Price of the tomato is 80

■ RULE

`${variable}` sirf **backticks** ke andar kaam karta hai

■ STRING CONCATENATION

◆ Meaning

Do ya zyada strings ko **jodna**

```
let s1 = "hello";  
  
let s2 = " world";  
  
let s3 = s1 + s2;  
  
console.log(s3); // "hello world"
```

■ NOTE

+ operator string ke sath → **concatenation**

■ LENGTH OF STRING

```
console.log(s1.length); // 5  
  
console.log(s2.length); // 6  
  
console.log(s3.length); // 11
```

■ RULE

`.length` property
→ total characters count karta hai (spaces bhi)

■ ACCESSING CHARACTERS

```
let special = "Rohit";
```

```
console.log(special[0]);           // 'R'
```

```
console.log(special.charAt(3));    // 'i'
```

■ DIFFERENCE

- `str[index]` → modern & common
 - `charAt()` → safe (out of range pe empty string)
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■ CHANGE CASE (UPPER / LOWER)

```
console.log(special.toLowerCase()); // 'rohit'
```

```
console.log(special.toUpperCase()); // 'ROHIT'
```

■ IMPORTANT

Strings **immutable** hoti hain
Original string change nahi hoti

■ SEARCHING IN STRINGS

◆ Important Search Methods

- `indexOf()` → first occurrence
- `lastIndexOf()` → last occurrence
- `includes()` → true / false

```
let hero = "Hello Coder Coder Army";
```

```
console.log(hero.indexOf("Coder")); // 6
```

```
console.log(hero.lastIndexOf("Coder")); // 12
```

```
console.log(hero.includes("Coder")); // true
```

■ RULE

Agar text nahi mila → `indexOf()` returns -1

■ EXTRACTING SUBSTRINGS

◆ slice vs substring

Method	Negative Index
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<code>slice()</code>	✅ Allowed
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<code>substring()</code>	❌ Not allowed
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```
let newstr = "HelloDon";
```

```
console.log(newstr.slice(0, 3)); // 'Hel'
```

```
console.log(newstr.substring(0, 3)); // 'Hel'
```

```
console.log(newstr.slice(-6, -3)); // 'llo'
```

```
console.log(newstr.slice(-2, 4)); // ''
```

■ TIP

Negative index chahiye → **slice()** use karo

■ REPLACING CONTENTS

```
let str10 = "hello world world acha hai";
```

```
console.log(str10.replace("world", "duniya"));
```

```
// hello duniya world acha hai
```

```
console.log(str10.replaceAll("world", "duniya"));
```

```
// hello duniya duniya acha hai
```

■ RULE

- `replace()` → first match
- `replaceAll()` → all matches

■ SPLITTING STRINGS

```
let str2 = "money, honey, sunny, funny";
```

```
console.log(str2.split(", "));
```

■ OUTPUT

```
['money', 'honey', 'sunny', 'funny']
```

■ RULE

`split()` → string ko array me convert karta hai

■ TRIMMING STRINGS (WHITESPACE REMOVE)

```
let str3 = "   Coder Army   ";
```

```
console.log(str3.trim());           // "Coder Army"
```

```
console.log(str3.trimStart()); // "Coder Army  "  
console.log(str3.trimEnd());   // "   Coder Army"
```

■ Real-Life Use

User input clean karne ke liye

■ EXTRA USEFUL STRING METHODS

```
let text = "JavaScript is fun";
```

```
console.log(text.startsWith("Java")); // true  
console.log(text.endsWith("fun"));    // true  
console.log(text.repeat(2));          // repeat string
```

Padding (Mostly IDs / OTPs)

```
console.log("7".padStart(3, "0")); // "007"  
console.log("7".padEnd(3, "0"));   // "700"
```

■ STRING OBJECT vs STRING PRIMITIVE

```
let latestString = new String("hello coder army");  
console.log(typeof latestString); // object
```

■ IMPORTANT DIFFERENCE

- "hello" → primitive → stack
- new String() → object → heap

■ BEST PRACTICE

❌ `new String()` avoid karo

✅ Primitive string use karo

SHORT SUMMARY — EK NAZAR ME

- ✅ Declare → `' ', " ", ` ``
 - ✅ Interpolation → `${}` (backticks only)
 - ✅ Concatenation → `+`
 - ✅ Length → `.length`
 - ✅ Access → `str[i]`, `charAt()`
 - ✅ Case → `toUpperCase()`, `toLowerCase()`
 - ✅ Search → `indexOf`, `lastIndexOf`, `includes`
 - ✅ Extract → `slice`, `substring`
 - ✅ Replace → `replace`, `replaceAll`
 - ✅ Split → `split()`
 - ✅ Trim → `trim`, `trimStart`, `trimEnd`
 - ✅ Extra → `startsWith`, `endsWith`, `repeat`, `padStart`, `padEnd`
 - ✅ New String → object (avoid)
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FINAL THOUGHT

🧠 **Strings = JavaScript ka sabse zyada used data type**

Isko master kar liya →

👉 **Forms, APIs, UI, validation sab easy**
