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## Map a special value

Map a special value when you want to format uncommon, boolean, or empty values.

## Before you begin

• [Add a panel to a dashboard]({{< relref "../working-with-panels/add-panel.md" >}}).

## To map a special value:

- 1. Edit the panel for which you want to map a special value.
- 2. In panel display options, locate the Value mappings section and click Add value mappings.
- 3. Click Add a new mapping and then select Special.
- 4. Select the special value for Grafana to match. Options include:
  - Null
  - NaN (Not a Number)
  - Null + NaN
  - True
  - False
  - Empty
- 5. (Optional) Enter display text.
- 6. (Optional) Set the color.
- 7. Click **Update** to save the value mapping.

