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var someStringThatLooksLikeANumber = "123";

if(someNumber == someStringThatLooksLikeANumber) {
  console.log(someNumber + " is equal to " +
someStringThatLooksLikeANumber);
}
```

```
123 is equal to 123
```

```
0 is equal to <empty string>
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BTW, THE EMPTY STRING GETS CONVERTED TO ZERO

```
var someOtherNumber = 0;
var emptyString = "";

if(someOtherNumber == emptyString) {
  console.log(someOtherNumber + " is equal to <empty
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  console.log("'5' + 10 = " + ('5' + 10));
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```
'5' + 10 = 510
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THIS IS WHY `NaN` IS COMMON - ANY STRING TO NUMBER CONVERSION THAT FAILS WILL RETURN A `NaN`

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