# JAVA - STRING EQUALS() METHOD

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## **Description:**

This method compares this string to the specified object. The result is true if and only if the argument is not null and is a String object that represents the same sequence of characters as this object.

### Syntax:

Here is the syntax of this method:

```
public boolean equals(Object anObject)
```

#### **Parameters:**

Here is the detail of parameters:

• anObject -- the object to compare this String against.

#### **Return Value:**

• This method returns true if the String are equal; false otherwise.

## **Example:**

```
public class Test {

public static void main(String args[]) {
    String Str1 = new String("This is really not immutable!!");
    String Str2 = Str1;
    String Str3 = new String("This is really not immutable!!");
    boolean retVal;

retVal = Str1.equals( Str2 );
    System.out.println("Returned Value = " + retVal );

retVal = Str1.equals( Str3 );
    System.out.println("Returned Value = " + retVal );
}
```

#### This produces the following result:

```
Returned Value = true
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```