

# JAVA STRING METHODS

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## 1. charAt()

- **Description:** Returns the character at the specified index (0-based).
- **Return Type:** `char`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello";  
char ch = str.charAt(1); // Returns 'e'  
System.out.println(ch);
```

## 2. codePointAt()

- **Description:** Returns the Unicode code point of the character at the specified index.
- **Return Type:** `int`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello";  
int codePoint = str.codePointAt(1); // Returns 101 (Unicode for 'e')  
System.out.println(codePoint);
```

## 3. codePointBefore()

- **Description:** Returns the Unicode code point of the character before the specified index.
- **Return Type:** `int`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello";  
int codePoint = str.codePointBefore(2); // Returns 108 (Unicode for 'l')  
System.out.println(codePoint);
```

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## 4. codePointCount()

- **Description:** Returns the number of Unicode code points in the specified substring.
- **Return Type:** `int`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello 😊";  
int count = str.codePointCount(0, str.length()); // Returns 6 (5 letters + 1 emoji)  
System.out.println(count);
```

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## 5. compareTo()

- **Description:** Compares two strings lexicographically (based on Unicode values).
- **Return Type:** `int` (negative if less, 0 if equal, positive if greater)
- **Example:**

```
String str1 = "apple";  
String str2 = "banana";  
int result = str1.compareTo(str2); // Returns negative value (apple < banana)  
System.out.println(result);
```

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## 6. compareToIgnoreCase()

- **Description:** Compares two strings lexicographically, ignoring case.
- **Return Type:** `int`
- **Example:**

```
String str1 = "APPLE";  
String str2 = "apple";  
int result = str1.compareToIgnoreCase(str2); // Returns 0 (equal ignoring case)
```

```
se)  
System.out.println(result);
```

## 7. concat()

- **Description:** Appends a string to the end of another string.
- **Return Type:** `String`
- **Example:**

```
String str1 = "Hello";  
String str2 = str1.concat(" World"); // Returns "Hello World"  
System.out.println(str2);
```

## 8. contains()

- **Description:** Checks if a string contains a specified sequence of characters.
- **Return Type:** `boolean`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello World";  
boolean hasWorld = str.contains("World"); // Returns true  
System.out.println(hasWorld);
```

## 9. contentEquals()

- **Description:** Checks if a string has the same sequence of characters as a CharSequence or StringBuffer.
- **Return Type:** `boolean`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello";  
StringBuffer sb = new StringBuffer("Hello");
```

```
boolean result = str.contentEquals(sb); // Returns true
System.out.println(result);
```

## 10. copyValueOf()

- **Description:** Creates a string from a character array.
- **Return Type:** `String`
- **Example:**

```
char[] chars = {'H', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o'};
String str = String.copyValueOf(chars); // Returns "Hello"
System.out.println(str);
```

## 11. endsWith()

- **Description:** Checks if a string ends with the specified suffix.
- **Return Type:** `boolean`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello.txt";
boolean ends = str.endsWith(".txt"); // Returns true
System.out.println(ends);
```

## 12. equals()

- **Description:** Checks if two strings are equal (case-sensitive).
- **Return Type:** `boolean`
- **Example:**

```
String str1 = "Hello";
String str2 = "Hello";
boolean equal = str1.equals(str2); // Returns true
System.out.println(equal);
```

### 13. equalsIgnoreCase()

- **Description:** Checks if two strings are equal, ignoring case.
- **Return Type:** `boolean`
- **Example:**

```
String str1 = "HELLO";  
String str2 = "hello";  
boolean equal = str1.equalsIgnoreCase(str2); // Returns true  
System.out.println(equal);
```

### 14. format()

- **Description:** Creates a formatted string using a format string and arguments.
- **Return Type:** `String`
- **Example:**

```
String str = String.format("Hello, %s!", "World"); // Returns "Hello, World!"  
System.out.println(str);
```

### 15. getBytes()

- **Description:** Converts a string into an array of bytes (using platform's default charset or specified charset).
- **Return Type:** `byte[]`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello";  
byte[] bytes = str.getBytes(); // Converts to byte array  
System.out.println(Arrays.toString(bytes)); // Prints byte values
```

### 16. getChars()

- **Description:** Copies characters from a string to a character array.

- **Return Type:** `void`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello";  
char[] dest = new char[5];  
str.getChars(0, 5, dest, 0); // Copies "Hello" to dest array  
System.out.println(Arrays.toString(dest)); // Prints [H, e, l, l, o]
```

## 17. hashCode()

- **Description:** Returns the hash code of a string.
- **Return Type:** `int`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello";  
int hash = str.hashCode(); // Returns hash code  
System.out.println(hash);
```

## 18. indexOf()

- **Description:** Returns the index of the first occurrence of a specified substring or character.
- **Return Type:** `int`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello World";  
int index = str.indexOf("World"); // Returns 6  
System.out.println(index);
```

## 19. intern()

- **Description:** Returns a canonical representation of the string from the string pool.
- **Return Type:** `String`

- **Example:**

```
String str1 = new String("Hello").intern();
String str2 = "Hello";
boolean same = str1 == str2; // Returns true (same object in pool)
System.out.println(same);
```

## 20. isEmpty()

- **Description:** Checks if a string is empty (length == 0).
- **Return Type:** `boolean`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "";
boolean empty = str.isEmpty(); // Returns true
System.out.println(empty);
```

## 21. join()

- **Description:** Joins multiple strings with a specified delimiter.
- **Return Type:** `String`
- **Example:**

```
String result = String.join("-", "Hello", "World"); // Returns "Hello-World"
System.out.println(result);
```

## 22. lastIndexOf()

- **Description:** Returns the index of the last occurrence of a specified substring or character.
- **Return Type:** `int`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello World Hello";
int index = str.lastIndexOf("Hello"); // Returns 12
```

```
System.out.println(index);
```

## 23. length()

- **Description:** Returns the length of a string.
- **Return Type:** `int`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello";  
int len = str.length(); // Returns 5  
System.out.println(len);
```

## 24. matches()

- **Description:** Checks if a string matches a regular expression.
- **Return Type:** `boolean`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "abc123";  
boolean matches = str.matches("[a-z]+[0-9]+"); // Returns true  
System.out.println(matches);
```

## 25. offsetByCodePoints()

- **Description:** Returns the index offset by a specified number of Unicode code points.
- **Return Type:** `int`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello 😊";  
int index = str.offsetByCodePoints(0, 2); // Returns 2 (after "He")  
System.out.println(index);
```

## 26. regionMatches()



- **Description:** Tests if two string regions are equal, optionally ignoring case.
- **Return Type:** `boolean`
- **Example:**

```
String str1 = "Hello World";  
String str2 = "world";  
boolean matches = str1.regionMatches(true, 6, str2, 0, 5); // Returns true  
System.out.println(matches);
```

## 27. replace()

- **Description:** Replaces all occurrences of a specified character or sequence with another.
- **Return Type:** `String`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello World";  
String result = str.replace("World", "Java"); // Returns "Hello Java"  
System.out.println(result);
```

## 28. replaceAll()

- **Description:** Replaces all substrings matching a regular expression with a replacement string.
- **Return Type:** `String`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello123 World456";  
String result = str.replaceAll("[0-9]+", "#"); // Returns "Hello# World#"  
System.out.println(result);
```

## 29. replaceFirst()

- **Description:** Replaces the first substring matching a regular expression with a replacement string.

- **Return Type:** `String`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello123 World456";  
String result = str.replaceFirst("[0-9]+", "#"); // Returns "Hello# World456"  
System.out.println(result);
```

### 30. split()

- **Description:** Splits a string into an array of substrings based on a delimiter.
- **Return Type:** `String[]`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "apple,banana,orange";  
String[] fruits = str.split(","); // Returns ["apple", "banana", "orange"]  
System.out.println(Arrays.toString(fruits));
```

### 31. startsWith()

- **Description:** Checks if a string starts with a specified prefix.
- **Return Type:** `boolean`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello World";  
boolean starts = str.startsWith("Hello"); // Returns true  
System.out.println(starts);
```

### 32. subSequence()

- **Description:** Returns a subsequence of characters from the string.
- **Return Type:** `CharSequence`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello World";  
CharSequence sub = str.subSequence(0, 5); // Returns "Hello"  
System.out.println(sub);
```

### 33. substring()

- **Description:** Returns a substring from the specified index (or between two indices).
- **Return Type:** `String`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello World";  
String sub = str.substring(6); // Returns "World"  
System.out.println(sub);
```

### 34. toCharArray()

- **Description:** Converts a string to a character array.
- **Return Type:** `char[]`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello";  
char[] chars = str.toCharArray(); // Returns ['H', 'e', 'l', 'l', 'o']  
System.out.println(Arrays.toString(chars));
```

### 35. toLowerCase()

- **Description:** Converts all characters in a string to lowercase.
- **Return Type:** `String`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "HELLO";  
String lower = str.toLowerCase(); // Returns "hello"  
System.out.println(lower);
```

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## 36. toString()

- **Description:** Returns the string itself (useful in subclasses or for consistency).
- **Return Type:** `String`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "Hello";  
String result = str.toString(); // Returns "Hello"  
System.out.println(result);
```

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## 37. toUpperCase()

- **Description:** Converts all characters in a string to uppercase.
- **Return Type:** `String`
- **Example:**

```
String str = "hello";  
String upper = str.toUpperCase(); // Returns "HELLO"  
System.out.println(upper);
```

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## 38. trim()

- **Description:** Removes leading and trailing whitespace from a string.
- **Return Type:** `String`
- **Example:**

```
String str = " Hello ";  
String trimmed = str.trim(); // Returns "Hello"  
System.out.println(trimmed);
```

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## 39. valueOf()

- **Description:** Converts a value (e.g., int, double, object) to its string representation.

- **Return Type:** `String`

- **Example:**

```
int num = 123;  
String str = String.valueOf(num); // Returns "123"  
System.out.println(str);
```

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