



# String.prototype.includes()

**Summary:** in this tutorial, you will learn how to use the JavaScript String `includes()` method to check if a string contains a substring.

## Introduction to JavaScript String includes() method

The `includes()` method performs a case-sensitive search and determines if a substring is included in a string:

```
string.includes(searchString [,position])
```

The `includes()` method returns `true` if the `searchString` found in the `string` or `false` otherwise:

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```
.includes('va') → true
```

The optional `position` parameter specifies the position within the `string` at which the method starts searching for the `searchString`.

The `position` defaults to 0. This means that if you omit the `position`, the `includes()` method will start searching from the beginning of the string.

Note that if you want to know the position of a substring within a string, you can use the [indexOf\(\)](#) method.

## JavaScript String includes() method examples

Let's take some examples of using the JavaScript String `includes()` method.

## Basic JavaScript String includes() method example

The following example uses the `includes()` method to check if the string `@` is in the string `'hi@javascripttutorial.net'` :

```
let email = "hi@javascripttutorial.net";
const result = email.includes("@");

console.log({ result });
```

Output:

```
{ result: true }
```

## JavaScript includes() method & case sensitivity

The following example uses the `includes()` method to check if the string `'JavaScript String'` includes the substring `'Script'` :

```
let str = "JavaScript String";
const result = str.includes("Script");

console.log({ result });
```

Output:

```
{ result: true }
```

Because the `includes()` matches the string case-sensitively, the following example returns `false` :

```
let str = "JavaScript String";
const result = str.includes("script");

console.log({ result });
```

Output:

```
false
```

## Using the position parameter

The following example uses the `includes()` method to search for the string `"S"` in the string `"JavaScript String"` starting from index `10` :

```
let str = "JavaScript String";
const result = str.includes("S", 10);

console.log({ result });
```

Output:

```
{ result: true }
```

## Summary

- Use the JavaScript String `includes()` method to perform a case-sensitive search and determine if a substring is included in a string.