

# Java ArrayList remove(Object obj) Method example

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The method `remove(Object obj)` removes the specified object from the list. It belongs to the `java.util.ArrayList` class.

```
public boolean remove(Object obj)
```

## Note:

- It returns false if the specified element doesn't exist in the list.
- If there are duplicate elements present in the list it removes the first occurrence of the specified element from the list.

## Example

In this example we have an `ArrayList<String>` and we are removing few strings from the list.

```
package beginnersbook.com;
import java.util.ArrayList;
public class RemoveExample {
    public static void main(String args[]) {
        //String ArrayList
        ArrayList<String> al = new ArrayList<String>();
        al.add("AA");
        al.add("BB");
        al.add("CC");
        al.add("DD");
        al.add("EE");
        al.add("FF");
        System.out.println("ArrayList before remove:");
        for(String var: al){
            System.out.println(var);
        }
        //Removing element AA from the arraylist
        al.remove("AA");
        //Removing element FF from the arraylist
        al.remove("FF");
        //Removing element CC from the arraylist
        al.remove("CC");
        /*This element is not present in the list so
        * it should return false
        */
        boolean b=al.remove("GG");
        System.out.println("Element GG removed: "+b);
        System.out.println("ArrayList After remove:");
        for(String var2: al){
```

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        System.out.println(var2);
    }
}
}
```

Output:

```
ArrayList before remove:
AA
BB
CC
DD
EE
FF
Element GG removed: false
ArrayList After remove:
BB
DD
EE
```