



Fall 2021 Java Lesson 9.4

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VOCAB:
str.indexOf(str String)



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do now

be sure to: Get out your binder. Copy goal and answer do now questions below. Show all work or write a complete sentence for each answer:

You want to write a program with a method called `passwordCheck` to return if the string is a valid password. The method should have the signature shown in the starter code.

The password must be at least 8 characters long and may only consist of letters and digits.

1. How could you use string traversal to solve this problem?
2. Write out an algorithm, in a paragraph or in pseudocode, for how this task could be accomplished.

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1. You could go through a string and check if each character is a number or a letter.
2.
for char in string:
if char is not letter and char is not number:
return false
return true



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As we develop more sophisticated algorithms, and tackle more complex problems, you'll find it very convenient to **make a plan before you start coding!!!**

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**framing**

- **what:** implement string algorithms in Java
- **why:** We've studied algorithms for string manipulation, now let's practice implementing them!
- **where to:** Nested iteration of for loops

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**Vocab**

be sure to: Keep your **notebook** open. Copy each definition, including the code sample, in your [Java Glossary](#).

```
string.indexOf(String str)
Returns the index of the
first occurrence of str;
returns -1 if not found.
```

Make a prediction. What will the program below output? How do you know?

```
String str = "lehman lions";
System.out.println(str.indexOf("L"));
System.out.println(str.indexOf("x"));
```

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MAKE A PREDICTION: It will return 0, because the first occurrence of "l" is at index 0. The second line will return -1, because "x" does not occur in the string.

+why does it make sense to use -1 as the return value if there is no index with the associated the input string? because index values all have to be 0 or positive. there's no negative values.

+What do you predict str.indexOf("man") will return? it will return 3, because the substring "man" begins at index 3.

**Coding to learn**

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- Exercise 4.4.7: Password checker
- Exercise 4.3.9: Fixing grammar

General formula for traversing a String string

```
for(int i = 0; i < string.length(); i++)
{
    String character = string.substring(i, i+1);
}
```

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```
for(int i = 0; i < string.length(); i++)
{
    char character = string.charAt(i);
}
```


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BE SURE TO WRITE OUT A PLAN

+How could you use .indexOf() to solve the password checker assignment? You could make a string containing all lower case letters. and all digits 0-9. then you could check if a given character is in them because if not you'll return -1.

+

+How is fixing grammar similar to the 'remove' method we discussed in the mini-lesson? It's similar in that we want to make a new string with the corrected form of the input string.



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Write a program with a method called `passwordCheck` to return if the string is a valid password. The method should have the signature shown in the starter code.


The password must be at least 8 characters long and may **only** consist of letters and digits.

In your main method, prompt the user for a password and then report back as to whether the password is valid. To pass the autograder, you will need to print the boolean return value from the `passwordCheck` method.

Hint: Consider creating a String that contains all the letters in the alphabet and a String that contains all digits. If the password has a character that isn't in one of those Strings, then it's an illegitimate password!

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See CodeHS program guide for detailed solution. Pre-planned questions on previous page.



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Write a program that takes a String containing a text using the method signature

```
String useProperGrammar(String text)
```

Your method should replace the word "I" with "to" and return the updated text.

For example,

```
useProperGrammar("can you go 2 the store?")
```

should return

```
"can you go to the store?"
```

This method should also print out the number of grammatical errors that were fixed.

For example, for `useProperGrammar("back 2 back 2 back")`, the method would also print:


```
Fixed 2 grammatical errors:
```

In the `main` method, ask the user to input a `String`, and print the results of `useProperGrammar` using the user input.

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See CodeHS program guide for detailed solution. Pre-planned questions on previous page.
+How could you pre-plan this before you could? Write out an algorithm in pseudocode. e.g.

```
newString = "";
for each char in String:
    if char == "2":
        replace with "to"
        add to newString
    else:
        add char to newString
```

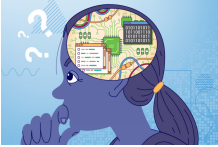


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Reflection: Thinking about thinking

be sure to: Answer each question below with a complete sentence.

- Why is it useful to apply loops to strings?
- Do you think the algorithms we've learned about today can only work in Java? Or are they applicable for other programming languages? Explain why or why not



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- Strings are sequences of characters. This sequence can be traversed with a for loop. We can traverse a string and perform various operations on individual characters.
- Loops strings and characters appear in most other languages, including python. so these algorithms are not Java specific.