What Is a String?

String s = "compsci";

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
s	c	o	m	p	s	c	i

A string is a group of characters.
The first character in the group is at spot 0.

String Constructors

```
String s = "compsci";
String champ = new String("uilstate");
```

reference variable

object instantiation

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A reference variable stores the memory address of an object.

Methods

Methods provide / grant access to an object's data / properties.

String

instance variables / data / properties

- length( )
- substring( )
- indexOf( )
- toString( )

String
frequently used methods

Name	Use
substring(x,y)	returns a section of the string from x to y not including y
substring(x)	returns a section of the string from x to length-1
length()	returns the # of chars
charAt(x)	returns the char at spot x
indexOf(c)	returns the loc of char c in the string, searching from spot 0 to spot length-1
lastIndexOf(c)	returns the loc of char c in the string, searching from spot length-1 to spot 0

length()

```
String s = "compsci";
out.println(s.length());
```

OUTPUT
7

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
s	c	o	m	p	s	c	i

charAt()

```
String s = "compsci";

out.print(s.charAt(0) + " ");
out.print(s.charAt(2) + " ");
out.println(s.charAt(6));
```

OUTPUT

c m i

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
s	c	o	m	p	s	c	i

substring()

```
String s = "compsci";
String sub ="";

sub = s.substring(3);
out.println(sub);

sub = s.substring(2,5);
out.println(sub);

sub = s.substring(4,6);
out.println(sub);
```

OUTPUT

psci
mps
sc

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
s	c	o	m	p	s	c	i

indexOf()

```
String s = "compsci";
int index = s.indexOf("mp");
out.println(index);
index = s.indexOf("c");
out.println(index);
index = s.indexOf("x");
out.println(index);
index = s.lastIndexOf("c");
out.println(index);
index = s.lastIndexOf("omp");
out.println(index);
```

OUTPUT

2
0
-1
5
1

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
s	c	o	m	p	s	c	i

concatenate

```
String one = "comp";
String two = "-sci";
String s = one + two;
out.println(s);
out.println(s.length());
```

OUTPUT

comp-sci
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Concatenate is the process of combining strings together to make a new string.

equals

```
String one = new String("compsci");
String two = new String("compsci");

if(one.equals(two))
  System.out.println("equal");
else
  System.out.println("!equal");
```

OUTPUT

equal

equals() compares the actual String objects.

compareTo

```
String one = "region";
String two = "uilstate";

out.println(one.compareTo(two));
out.println(two.compareTo(one));

two = "region";
out.println(two.compareTo(one));
```

OUTPUT

-3
3
0

compareTo() returns the difference in ASCII value when comparing Strings.