VBA String Cheat Sheet

VBA String Data Types

String

Used to hold text

Variant

Can hold text, but it is better to declare your variable as a string.

Basic VBA String Operations

Assign Text to String Variable

Dim favFood As String

favFood = "Pizza"

'Strings must be contained within 'parenthesis

Concatenate String With String

Dim fullName as String

fullName = "Joe " & "Brown"

Concatenate String With Variable

Dim fullName as String, firstName as String

firstName = "Joe"

fullName = firstName & " Brown"

Concatenate Variable With Variable

Dim fullName as String, firstName as

String, lastName as String
firstName = "Joe"

lastName = "Brown"

fullName = firstName & " " & lastName

Get Length Of String

Dim fullName as String, stringLength as

fullName = "Joe Brown"

stringLength = Len(fullName)

'stringLength now contains the value 9

Trim String

Dim fullName As String, stringLength as

Integer

fullName = " George Washington "

stringLength = Len(fullName)

\stringLength now contains the value 21
fullName= Trim(fullName)

stringLength = Len(fullName)

'stringLength now contains the value 17

Convert Value to String

Dim myInt as Integer, myStr as String
myInt = 100

myStr = CStr(myInt)

'myStr contains "100" and myInt contains
100

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Reminder

Green Text

Used to hold comments

'This is a comment

Bold Code

The code in bold is the focus of the section. For example, in the string split section the **Split** keyword is in bold

Using Sub

You can copy/paste these examples into a VBA editor. Just make sure you put them into a Sub

VBA Operations to Change String Variables

Left Slice of String

Dim fullName as String, firstName as String

fullName = "George Washington"

firstName = Left(fullName, 6)

'firstName now contains "George"

Right Slice of String

Dim fullName as String, lastName as String

fullName = "George Washington"

lastName = Right(fullName, 10)

'firstName now contains "Washington"

Middle Slice of String

Dim fullName as String, lastName as String

fullName = "George Ed Washington"

lastName = Mid(fullName, 8,2)

'firstName now contains "Ed"

Replace Character in String

Dim myStr as String

myStr = "joy"

myStr = Replace(myStr, "j", "t")

'myStrnow contains "toy"

Replace Word in String

Dim myStr as String

myStr = "I love pizza"

myStr = Replace(myStr, "pizza", "fruit")

'myStrnow contains "I love fruit"

VBA String Case Operators

Convert String to Uppercase

Dim myStr as String

myStr = "i love pizza"
myStr = Ucase(myStr)

'myStr now contains "I LOVE PIZZA"

Convert String to Lowercase

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Dim myStr as String
myStr = "I LOVE PIZZA"
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myStr = Lcase(myStr)

'myStr now contains "i love pizza"

Finding Characters or Words in VBA Strings

Find Character Position In String

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\begin{array}{ll} \text{Dim myStr as String, strLocation as} \\ \text{Integer} \end{array}
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myStr = "I love pizza"

strLocation = InStr(myStr, "z")

'strLocation now contains the value 10

Find Word Position In StringFrom the Left

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\begin{array}{ll} {\tt Dim\ myStr\ as\ String,\ strLocation\ as} \\ {\tt Integer} \end{array}
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myStr = "I love pizza"

strLocation = InStr(myStr, "pizza")

'strLocation now contains the value 8

Splitting Strings

Split sentence into array containing invidual words

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Dim myStr As String, strArray() As String
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myStr = "I love pizza"

strArray = Split(myStr)

'strArray now contains a one dimensional

'array containing "I", "love" and
'"pizza"

Split comma delimited string into array of individual words

Dim myStr As String, strArray() As String

myStr = "john, smith, large, onion"

strArray = Split(myStr, ",")

'strArray now contains a one dimensional

'array containing "john", "smith" and
'"large" and "onion"

Joining Strings

Join an array of strings into a single string

Dim myStr As String, strArray(0 to 2) As
String
strArray(0) = "I"
strArray(1) = "love"
strArray(2) = "pizza"
myStr = Join(strArray)

'myStr now contains "I love pizza"

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Join an Array of Strings with comma delimiter
Dim myStr As String, strArray(0 to 2) As
String
strArray(0) = "I"
strArray(1) = "love"
strArray(2) = "pizza"
myStr = Join(strArray, ",")
'myStr now contains "I,love,pizza"
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