Most Frequently Used Python String Methods

1. lower()

Converts all characters to lowercase.

Example: "Hello".lower() => 'hello'

2. upper()

Converts all characters to uppercase.

Example: "hello".upper() => 'HELLO'

3. strip()

Removes leading and trailing whitespaces.

Example: " hello ".strip() => 'hello'

4. split()

Splits a string into a list using a delimiter (default is space).

Example: "apple,banana,grape".split(",") => ['apple', 'banana', 'grape']

5. join()

Joins elements of an iterable into a single string using a separator.

Example: "-".join(["2025", "07", "23"]) => '2025-07-23'

6. replace()

Replaces a substring with another.

Example: "bad day".replace("bad", "good") => 'good day'

7. find()

Returns the index of the first occurrence of a substring, or -1 if not found.

Example: "notebook".find("book") => 3

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8. count()

Counts the number of occurrences of a substring.

Example: "banana".count("a") => 3

9. len()

Returns the length of the string (not a method but very common).

Example: len("hello") => 5

10. startswith() / endswith()

Checks if the string starts or ends with a given substring.

Examples:

"magnetic".startswith("mag") => True

"python.py".endswith(".py") => True