

Insert space when a continuous word is 50 characters long



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I want to cut this string into 50 characters where (after a space) it starts counting up to 50 (excluding spaces), and if the section is over 50 it inserts a space. So far, I can cut it up, but I don't know how to specify "exclude spaces". Tried `[\s]` but no joy.

```
var str = " http://this.domain.com/fff/222/widget.css
http://www.domain.com/myfolder/uploads/1/3/3/7/2332053/custom_themes/8787687678644/more_cu
main_style.css?8763487634 http://cdn.domain.com/folder/images/thisfolder/common.css?
9444"
str.replace(/s(\w.{50})/g, ' $1 ');
```

javascript

regex

whitespace

asked May 31 '11 at 15:10



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3 Answers



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Try this:

```
is.domain.com/fff/222/widget.css
/myfolder/uploads/1/3/3/7/2332053/custom_themes/8787687678644/more_custom_themes/files/my-
7634 http://cdn.domain.com/folder/images/thisfolder/common.css?
^ ]{50})/g, "$1 ");
```

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This is the solution I was looking for, and I thank **Tyilo** for that. However, **Spudley** put me on the right track with what I ultimately wanted to achieve. – [skymook](#) May 31 '11 at 15:54



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If your reason for doing this is to prevent a long string from breacking out of its area in a browser window, you may want to try the CSS solution:

CSS has a `word-wrap` property, which you can use to tell the browser to break long words even if they don't have a natural break-point.

```
#divwithlongword {  
    word-wrap: break-word;  
}
```

Now if you have HTML as follows:

```
<div  
id='divwithlongword'>myextraordinarilyandexcessivelylongdomainnamegoeshere.com</div>
```

...it will wordwrap where it needs to within the domain name.

This is supported in all major browsers -- see <http://caniuse.com/#search=wordwrap>

Hope that helps.

answered May 31 '11 at 15:26

**Spudley**

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Oh Lord, why have you hidden this from me for so long? Thanks a bunch **Spudley**, this is what I used in the end. Handy to know the regex solution too though, and it was the answer to my question, so I credited **Tyilo** for that. – [skymook](#) May 31 '11 at 15:57

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You use the following regex:

```
(\S{50})
```

\S - Matches any character that is not a whitespace character (spaces, tabs, line breaks).

answered May 31 '11 at 15:22



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