

03 Searching Strings

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1.1 Contains

Does your string contain another string within it? You can use **Contains** to find out! The **Contains** method returns a *boolean*. That's a type represented by the keyword **bool** that can hold two values: **true** or **false**. In this case, the method returns **true** when sought string is found, and **false** when it's not found. > Run the following code. > > What else would or wouldn't be contained? > > Does case matter? > > Can you store the return value of the **Contains** method? > Remember the type of the result is a **bool**.

```
[1]: string songLyrics = "You say goodbye, and I say hello";  
Console.WriteLine(songLyrics.Contains("goodbye"));  
Console.WriteLine(songLyrics.Contains("greetings"));
```

True
False

1.2 StartsWith and EndsWith

StartsWith and **EndsWith** are methods similar to **Contains**, but more specific. They tell you if a string starts with or ends with the string you're checking. It has the same structure as **Contains**, that is: **bigstring.StartsWith(substring)** > Now you try! > In the following code, try searching the line to see if it starts with "you" or "I". > Next, see if the code ends with "hello" or "goodbye".

```
[2]: string songLyrics = "You say goodbye, and I say hello";
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[ ]:
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