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JS & DOM Reference JavaScript RegExp \W Metacharacter



Definition and Usage

The \W metacharacter is used to find a non-word character.

A word character is a character from a-z, A-Z, 0-9, including the _ (underscore) character.

Syntax

```
new RegExp("\W")
or simply:
/\W/
```

Browser Support



The \W metacharacter is supported in all major browsers.

Example

Example

Do a global search for non-word characters in a string:

var str="Give 100%!"; var patt1=/\W/g;

The marked text below shows where the expression gets a match:

Give 100%!

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JavaScript RegExp Object

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