

Here are **practice problems** for **Java Regular Expressions (Regex)**. These problems will help you **validate, extract, replace, and manipulate strings** using regex in Java.

Basic Regex Problems

1 Validate a Username

- A valid username:
 - Can only contain **letters (a-z, A-Z), numbers (0-9), and underscores (_)**
 - Must start with a letter
 - Must be **between 5 to 15 characters long**

♦ Example Inputs & Outputs

✓ "user_123" → **Valid**

✗ "123user" → **Invalid** (starts with a number)

✗ "us" → **Invalid** (too short)

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class ValidateUsername {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.print("Enter a username: ");
        String username = sc.nextLine();
        if (username.matches("^[a-zA-Z][a-zA-Z0-9_]{4,14}$")) {
            System.out.println("Valid");
        } else {
            System.out.println("Invalid");
        }
    }
}
```

2 Validate a License Plate Number

- License plate format: **Starts with two uppercase letters, followed by four digits.**
- Example: "AB1234" is **valid**, but "A12345" is **invalid**.

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class ValidateLicensePlate {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.print("Enter license plate: ");
        String plate = sc.nextLine();
        if (plate.matches("[A-Z]{2}\\d{4}$")) {
            System.out.println("Valid");
        } else {
            System.out.println("Invalid");
        }
    }
}
```

3 Validate a Hex Color Code

- A valid **hex color**:
 - Starts with a **#**
 - Followed by **6 hexadecimal characters** (0-9, A-F, a-f).

♦ Example Inputs & Outputs

✓ "#FFA500" → **Valid**

✓ "#ff4500" → Valid

✗ "#123" → Invalid (too short)

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class ValidateHexColor {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.print("Enter hex color code: ");
        String color = sc.nextLine();
        if (color.matches("^#[0-9a-fA-F]{6}$")) {
            System.out.println("Valid");
        } else {
            System.out.println("Invalid");
        }
    }
}
```

Extraction Problems

4 Extract All Email Addresses from a Text

- ♦ Example Text:

"Contact us at support@example.com and info@company.org"

- ♦ Expected Output:

support@example.com

info@company.org

```
import java.util.Scanner;
import java.util.regex.*;
```

```
public class ExtractEmails {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.println("Enter the text:");
        String input = sc.nextLine();
        Matcher matcher =
Pattern.compile("[a-zA-Z0-9._%+-]+@[a-zA-Z0-9.-]+\.[a-zA-Z]{2,}").matcher(
input);
        while (matcher.find()) {
            System.out.println(matcher.group());
        }
    }
}
```

5 Extract All Capitalized Words from a Sentence

♦ Example Text:

"The Eiffel Tower is in Paris and the Statue of Liberty is in New York."

♦ Expected Output:

Eiffel, Tower, Paris, Statue, Liberty, New, York

```
import java.util.Scanner;
import java.util.regex.*;

public class ExtractCapitalizedWords {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.println("Enter the sentence:");
        String input = sc.nextLine();
        Matcher matcher =
```

```
Pattern.compile("\\b[A-Z][a-z]*\\b").matcher(input);
    while (matcher.find()) {
        System.out.println(matcher.group());
    }
}
```

6 Extract Dates in dd/mm/yyyy Format

♦ Example Text:

"The events are scheduled for 12/05/2023, 15/08/2024, and 29/02/2020."

♦ Expected Output:

12/05/2023, 15/08/2024, 29/02/2020

```
import java.util.Scanner;
import java.util.regex.*;

public class ExtractDates {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.println("Enter text with dates:");
        String input = sc.nextLine();
        Matcher matcher =
Pattern.compile("\\b\\d{2}/\\d{2}/\\d{4}\\b").matcher(input);
        while (matcher.find()) {
            System.out.println(matcher.group());
        }
    }
}
```

7 Extract Links from a Web Page

♦ Example Text:

"Visit <https://www.google.com> and <http://example.org> for more info."

♦ Expected Output:

<https://www.google.com>, <http://example.org>

```
import java.util.Scanner;
import java.util.regex.*;

public class ExtractLinks {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.println("Enter text with URLs:");
        String input = sc.nextLine();
        Matcher matcher = Pattern.compile("https?://\\S+").matcher(input);
        while (matcher.find()) {
            System.out.println(matcher.group());
        }
    }
}
```

Replace and Modify Strings

8 Replace Multiple Spaces with a Single Space

♦ Example Input:

"This is an example with multiple spaces."

♦ **Expected Output:**

"This is an example with multiple spaces."

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class ReplaceMultipleSpaces {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.println("Enter text with multiple spaces:");
        String input = sc.nextLine();
        String result = input.replaceAll("\\s{2,}", " ");
        System.out.println(result);
    }
}
```

9 Censor Bad Words in a Sentence

- Given a **list of bad words**, replace them with ****.

♦ **Example Input:**

"This is a damn bad example with some stupid words."

♦ **Expected Output:**

"This is a **** bad example with some **** words."

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class CensorBadWords {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        String[] badWords = {"damn", "stupid"};
        System.out.println("Enter sentence:");
        String input = sc.nextLine();
```

```
        for (int i = 0; i < badWords.length; i++) {
            input = input.replaceAll("(?i)\\b" + badWords[i] + "\\b",
            "*****");
        }
        System.out.println(input);
    }
}
```

Advanced Problems

10 Validate an IP Address

- A valid **IPv4** address consists of **four groups of numbers (0-255)** separated by dots.

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class ValidateIPAddress {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.print("Enter IPv4 address: ");
        String ip = sc.nextLine();
        String pattern = "^(25[0-5]|2[0-4]\\d|1\\d{2}|[1-9]?\\d\\.){3}"
            + "(25[0-5]|2[0-4]\\d|1\\d{2}|[1-9]?\\d)$";
        if (ip.matches(pattern)) {
            System.out.println("Valid");
        } else {
            System.out.println("Invalid");
        }
    }
}
```


11 Validate a Credit Card Number (Visa, MasterCard, etc.)

- A **Visa** card number starts with **4** and has **16 digits**.
- A **MasterCard** starts with **5** and has **16 digits**.

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class ValidateCreditCard {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.print("Enter credit card number: ");
        String card = sc.nextLine();
        if (card.matches("^4\\d{15}$")) {
            System.out.println("Valid Visa Card");
        } else if (card.matches("^5\\d{15}$")) {
            System.out.println("Valid MasterCard");
        } else {
            System.out.println("Invalid Card");
        }
    }
}
```

12 Extract Programming Language Names from a Text

♦ Example Text:

"I love Java, Python, and JavaScript, but I haven't tried Go yet."

♦ Expected Output:

Java, Python, JavaScript, Go

```
import java.util.Scanner;
import java.util.regex.*;

public class ExtractLanguages {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.println("Enter a sentence:");
        String input = sc.nextLine();
        Matcher matcher =
        Pattern.compile("\\b(Java|Python|JavaScript|Go)\\b",
        Pattern.CASE_INSENSITIVE).matcher(input);
        while (matcher.find()) {
            System.out.println(matcher.group());
        }
    }
}
```

13 Extract Currency Values from a Text

♦ Example Text:

"The price is \$45.99, and the discount is 10.50."

♦ Expected Output:

\$45.99, 10.50

```
import java.util.Scanner;
import java.util.regex.*;

public class ExtractCurrencyValues {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.println("Enter text with currency values:");
        String input = sc.nextLine();
        Matcher matcher =
```

```
Pattern.compile("\\$?\\d+\\.\\d{2}").matcher(input);
    while (matcher.find()) {
        System.out.println(matcher.group());
    }
}
```

14 Find Repeating Words in a Sentence

♦ Example Input:

"This is is a repeated repeated word test."

♦ Expected Output:

is, repeated

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public class FindRepeatingWords {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.println("Enter a sentence:");
        String input = sc.nextLine();
        Matcher matcher = Pattern.compile("\\b(\\w+)\\b\\s+\\1\\b",
Pattern.CASE_INSENSITIVE).matcher(input);
        while (matcher.find()) {
            System.out.println(matcher.group(1));
        }
    }
}
```

15 Validate a Social Security Number (SSN)

♦ **Example Input:**

"My SSN is 123-45-6789."

♦ **Expected Output:**

✓ "123-45-6789" is valid

✗ "123456789" is invalid

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class ValidateSSN {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.print("Enter SSN: ");
        String ssn = sc.nextLine();
        if (ssn.matches("^\\d{3}-\\d{2}-\\d{4}$")) {
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