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| [] | A set of characters | "[a-m]" | [Try it »](https://www.w3schools.com/python/showpython.asp?filename=demo_regex_meta1) |
| \ | Signals a special sequence (can also be used to escape special characters) | "\d" | [Try it »](https://www.w3schools.com/python/showpython.asp?filename=demo_regex_meta2) |
| . | Any character (except newline character) | "he..o" | [Try it »](https://www.w3schools.com/python/showpython.asp?filename=demo_regex_meta3) |
| ^ | Starts with | "^hello" | [Try it »](https://www.w3schools.com/python/showpython.asp?filename=demo_regex_meta4) |
| $ | Ends with | "world$" | [Try it »](https://www.w3schools.com/python/showpython.asp?filename=demo_regex_meta5) |
| \* | Zero or more occurrences | "aix\*" | [Try it »](https://www.w3schools.com/python/showpython.asp?filename=demo_regex_meta6) |
| + | One or more occurrences | "aix+" | [Try it »](https://www.w3schools.com/python/showpython.asp?filename=demo_regex_meta7) |
| {} | Exactly the specified number of occurrences | "al{2}" | [Try it »](https://www.w3schools.com/python/showpython.asp?filename=demo_regex_meta8) |
| | | Either or | "falls|stays" | [Try it »](https://www.w3schools.com/python/showpython.asp?filename=demo_regex_meta9) |
| () | Capture and group |  |  |