

How can I highlight the lowest value in Google Sheets?”

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In Google Sheets, there is a feature that allows users to easily identify and highlight the lowest value within a set of data. This feature can be accessed through the "Conditional Formatting" menu, where users can set a condition to highlight the lowest value in a specific range of cells. This is a useful tool for analyzing and comparing data, as it allows for quick identification of the lowest value without the need for manual sorting or calculations. By utilizing this feature, users can efficiently highlight and analyze the lowest values in their Google Sheets data.

Highlight Lowest Value in Google Sheets

You can use the custom formula function in Google Sheets to highlight the lowest value in a range.

The following example shows how to use the custom formula function in practice.

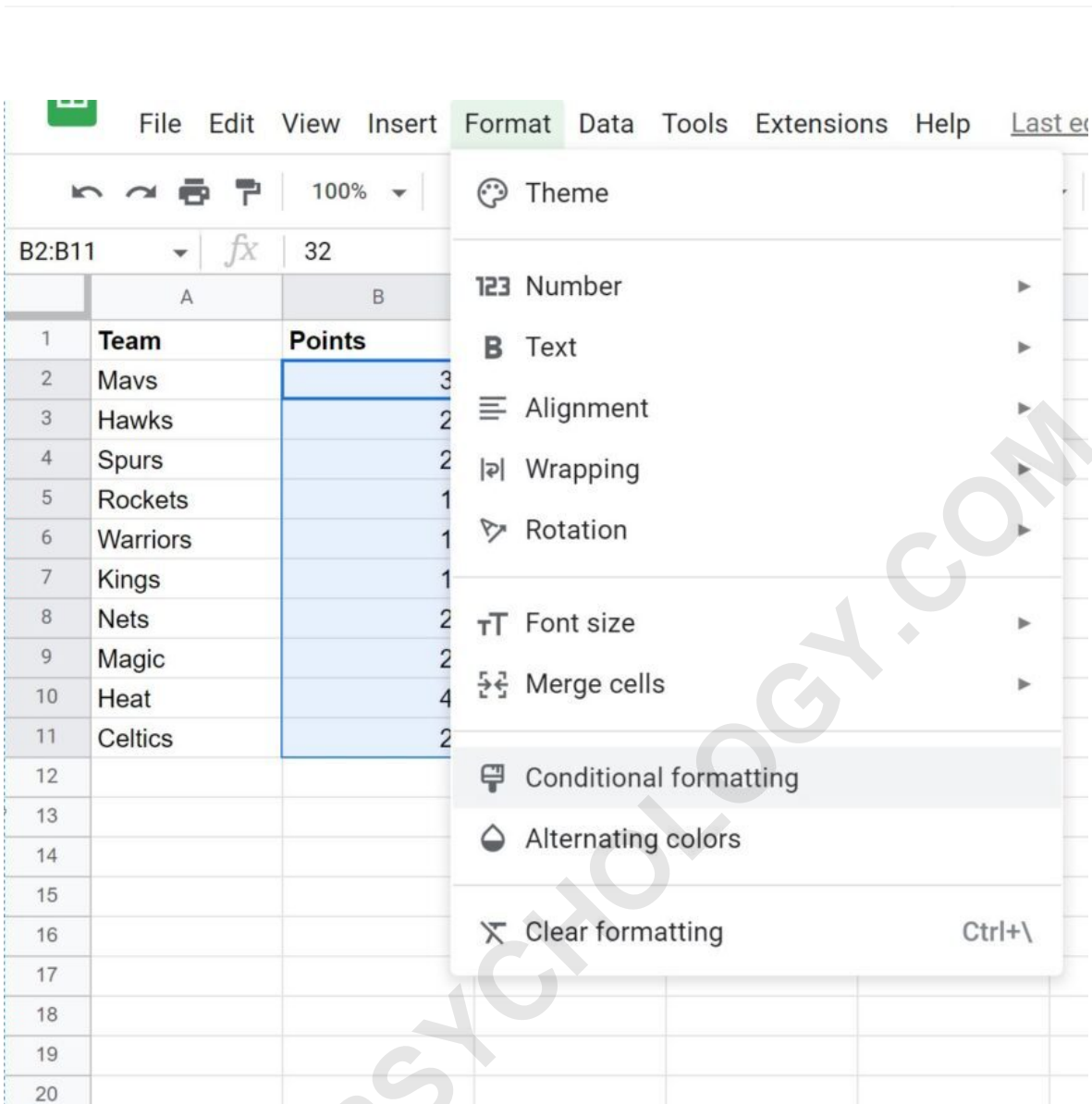
Example: Highlight Lowest Value in Google Sheets

Suppose we have the following dataset in Google Sheets:

	A	B	C	D
1	Team	Points		
2	Mavs	23		
3	Mavs	15		
4	Spurs	18		
5	Mavs	22		
6	Rockets	30		
7	Spurs	31		
8	Rockets	19		
9	Mavs	11		
10	Mavs	14		
11	Spurs	13		
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Suppose we'd like to highlight the lowest value in the Points column.

To do so, we can highlight the cells in the range B2:B11, then click the Format tab, then click Conditional formatting:



In the Conditional format rules panel that appears on the right side of the screen, click the Format cells if dropdown, then choose Custom formula is, then type in the following formula:

=B2=MIN(\$B\$2:\$B\$11)

Conditional format rules

Single color Color scale

Apply to range

B2:B11

Format rules

Format cells if...

Custom formula is

=B2=MIN(\$B\$2:\$B\$11)

Formatting style

Default

B I U S A .

Cancel Done

+ Add another rule

Once you click Done, the cell with the lowest value in the Points column will be highlighted:

	A	B	C	D
1	Team	Points		
2	Mavs	32		
3	Hawks	29		
4	Spurs	24		
5	Rockets	19		
6	Warriors	15		
7	Kings	14		
8	Nets	22		
9	Magic	25		
10	Heat	40		
11	Celtics	23		
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By default, Google Sheets uses a light green background as the conditional formatting style.

However, you change the conditional formatting to appear however you'd like by changing the default settings in the Formatting style box.

Note: If there are multiple cells in a range that share the lowest value, each of these cells will be highlighted.