

What is a simple formula in Excel to determine if a length is greater than a certain value?

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A simple formula in Excel is a mathematical expression that can be used to determine if a given length is greater than a specific value. This can be achieved by using the greater than symbol (>) in the formula, which will return a TRUE or FALSE value depending on the comparison result. This formula can be useful for data analysis and decision making in various fields such as finance, engineering, and statistics.

Excel: A Simple Formula for "If Length Greater Than"

You can use the following formula in Excel to check if the string in a particular cell is greater than a certain length:

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=IF(LEN(A2)>4,"Greater than 4","Not Greater than 4")
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This particular formula checks if the length of the string in cell A2 is greater than 4 and returns "Greater than 4" if so.

Otherwise the formula returns "Not Greater than 4."

The following example shows how to use this formula in practice.

Example: Check if Cell Contains String with Length Greater than Certain Value

Suppose we have the following column of strings in Excel with information about various basketball teams:

	A	B	C	D	E
1	Team				
2	Mavs				
3	Heat19				
4	Cavs20				
5	Nets				
6	Pacers				
7	Celtics27				
8	Hawks				
9	Warriors40				
10	Lakers				
11					
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We can use the following formula to check if the length of each string in the Team column is greater than 4:

=IF(LEN(A2)>4,"Greater than 4","Not Greater than 4")

We'll type this formula into cell B2 and then click and drag it down to each remaining cell in column B:

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
1	Team	Team Length					
2	Mavs	Not Greater than 4					
3	Heat19	Greater than 4					
4	Cavs20	Greater than 4					
5	Nets	Not Greater than 4					
6	Pacers	Greater than 4					
7	Celtics27	Greater than 4					
8	Hawks	Greater than 4					
9	Warriors40	Greater than 4					
10	Lakers	Greater than 4					
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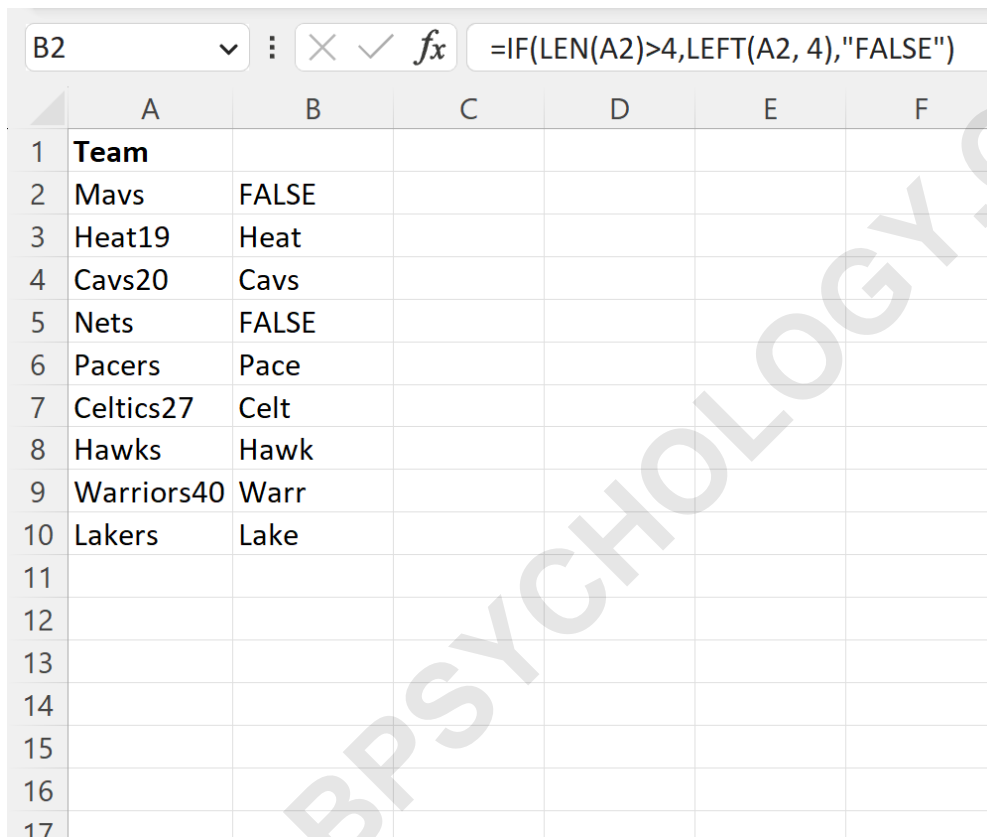
Each cell in column B returns a string that tells us if the corresponding string in column A has a length greater than 4 or not.

Also note that we could return values other than strings if we'd like.

For example, we can use the following formula to only return the first 4 characters in a string if the length of the string is greater than 4 or return "FALSE" otherwise:

=IF(LEN(A2)>4,LEFT(A2, 4),"FALSE")

We'll type this formula into cell B2 and then click and drag it down to each remaining cell in column B:



	A	B	C	D	E	F
1	Team					
2	Mavs	FALSE				
3	Heat19	Heat				
4	Cavs20	Cavs				
5	Nets	FALSE				
6	Pacers	Pace				
7	Celtics27	Celt				
8	Hawks	Hawk				
9	Warriors40	Warr				
10	Lakers	Lake				
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If the length of the string in column A is greater than 4, then only the first 4 characters of the string are returned in column B.

Otherwise, if the length of the string in column A is not greater than 4 then we simply return FALSE in column B.

The following tutorials explain how to perform other common tasks in Excel:

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