

Module 35: ISBLANK Function

35.1 ISBLANK Function

You can use the ISBLANK function in Excel to check whether the value in a cell has any data, or conversely has none.

ISBLANK is part of the function group IS that will return a value of TRUE or FALSE. ISBLANK will return a TRUE if there is no data in a cell, or FALSE if there is data. You would use ISBLANK with a cell address to provide a value.

For example, if you wanted to check whether the value in cell B4 is blank, you would use ISBLANK and if it is it will return a TRUE. If it is not it will return a FALSE.

The formula is written as: **=ISBLANK(value)** Value being the the value to check.

Where ISBLANK is useful is that you can use this in conjunction with VLOOKUP to return specific data to a cell that is blank. If a cell is blank you can get VLOOKUP to return specific data to that cell.

35.2 Video Instruction

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