

## **Module 39: ISNUMBER Function**

## 39.1 ISNUMBER Function

You can use the ISNUMBER function in Excel to check whether a value in the cell is numeric.

ISNUMBER is part of the function group IS, that will return a value of TRUE or FALSE. ISNUMBER will return a TRUE if the data in a cell is numeric, or is a formula that will give a numeric outcome, or FALSE if it is text. You would use ISNUMBER with a cell address to provide a value.

For example, if you wanted to check whether the value in cell B4 is numeric, you would use ISNUMBER and if the value is 7 it will return a TRUE, if it is "seven" it will return a false.

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

You can also use this in conjunction with IF and VLOOKUP functions to return specific data to a cell if a value is a number. The formula is written as:

=IF(ISNUMBER(value),VLOOKUP(value,table\_array,col\_index\_num,0), VLOOKUP(value,table array,col index num,0))

## 39.2 Video Instruction

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## **39.3 Task**

Estimated Time: 10 minutes

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