



Module 42: ISTEXT Formula

42.1 ISTEXT Formula

You can use the ISTEXT function in Excel to check whether a value in the cell is text based.

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

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

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

42.2 Video Instruction

ISTEXT Function - 1m 40s

42.3 Task

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