

Characters

\ Escapes characters

. Matches any character

\d Matches one digit from 0 to 9

\D Matches one character that is NOT a digit

\w Matches one word character or underscore

\W Matches one character that is NOT a word character or underscore

\s Matches a whitespace character

\S Matches one character that is NOT a whitespace character

Character Sets and Logic

[] Matches one of the characters within

[^] Matches one of the characters NOT within

| Logical character for "OR"

() Creates a group

Anchors

\b Matches a position where a word character is on one side and not on the other

\B Matches a position where a word boundary does NOT match

^ Specifies that the following pattern must begin at the first positioned character of the string

\\$ Specifies that the preceding pattern must match the end character of the string

Quantifiers

* Looks for the specified character/group zero or more times

+ Looks for the specified character/group one or more times

? Looks for the specified character/group zero or one time

{ } Looks for the specified character/group in the number of times specified

{,} Looks for the specified character/group in a range of numbers specified