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Thread: [Regular Expressions](#)

Raijin - September 27, 2026, 6:17 pm

How did you learn regular expressions?

I never took the time to understand it properly.

It is so powerful and embedded so far across tech stacks. What is the best way to learn?

Bastille - September 27, 2026, 8:19 pm

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Terry A. Davis - September 27, 2026, 9:52 pm

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Raijin - September 28, 2026, 6:12 am

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I purchased a book from the bookstore about the commands I want to use and it explains about regular expression too.