

Re: How 2 LOOKUP instead of IF?

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You already have an answer from Bob Phillips at 9:18am to your first posting, but since then you have posted the same question two more times to the same group – there is no point in multi-posting and this wastes people's time so you are less likely to get a reply.

Pete

On Jun 7, 11:30 am, FARAZ QURESHI
<FARAZQURE...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Hello every1,

The actual situation is quite a detailed and complex one but lets start with a simple example:

The "sheet 1" is to be filled up with several columns like:

A B C D E

- 1 Case Limit Maturity-Date Balance Error
- 2 abc 100 12/12/2001 80 Maturity date has passed
- 3 def 3000 12/12/2009 4000 Account Balance is exceeding the limit
- 4 ghi 5000 12/12/2008 -200 Amount is negative

"Sheet 2" has a list like:

A B

- 1 Error Code Message
- 2 1 Account Balance is exceeding the limit
- 3 2 Maturity date has passed
- 4 3 Amount is negative

I want the column E of Sheet 1 to search out the error code automatically from Sheet 2 and return the message present in the corresponding cell in column B.

Actually there are several multiple error checks that I want to set out but typing out a lengthy formula of IF's is nearly impossible and risky. Conditional formating shall also only highlight the cell but not displaying the message and also involves the same problem of lengthy formula.

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Any way out, PREFERABLY a lookup sort of formula for its applicability upon all the the computer without lowering the macro security level, otherwise even a macro shall be gratefully accepted! All your advices shall be valuable.

Thanx in advance,

FARAZ!