

Re: Maybe VLOOKUP?

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You're welcome. Thanks for the feedback!

Biff

"Ashley" <Ashley@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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It works!
Hallelujah!
Thank you so so much!

"T. Valko" wrote:

What does the "--" after the equal sign mean?

Without those "double minus" signs, the formula would return either TRUE
or
FALSE. The "double minus" coerces the TRUE to 1 and FALSE to 0.

Also, when I drag to fill subsequent cells with the formula, it
changes
the
"A2:A3712" range to "A3:A3713", etc
=--ISNUMBER(MATCH(C2,A\$2:A\$3712,0))

That's what the "\$" do. They "lock" the range rows from changing when
copied.

If this formula doesn't work then you have data "problems". One column
may
be TEXT and the other may be true Excel date/time values (which are
really
just numbers formatted to look like a date/time). There may be leading
and

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or trailing spaces or some other unseen characters in one or both columns.

Biff

"Ashley" <Ashley@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
news:9D8695D8-1841-4DF6-B80E-F9C327E2157D@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx

Thanks for the suggestion...

But I tried:

=--ISNUMBER(MATCH(C2,A\$2:A\$3712,0))

but it did not work. "A" is the original data (I'm using a smaller data

set

for practice), "C" is all possible date + hour combinations over the data

span, and "B" is a value that I'd like to be returned in the case of a

match,

but I'd happy with a TRUE or FALSE.

Also, when I drag to fill subsequent cells with the formula, it changes

the

"A2:A3712" range to "A3:A3713", etc. (But I do want it to change "C2"

to

"C3".)

So I tried:

=--ISNUMBER(MATCH(C2,A:A,0))

Which didn't work either.

What does the "--" after the equal sign mean?

Thanks again

Ashley

"T. Valko" wrote:

Try this:

=--ISNUMBER(MATCH(B1,A\$1:A\$10000,0))

Biff

"Ashley"

<Ashley@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>

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Hi

I have a huge dataset,
10,000+ rows many times
over, of date + hour.
(i.e. 7/1/2004 16:00)
The point of my data is that
there is not a value for each
consecutive
date
+ time, some are missing. I
need to format my data (for
a
statistical
analysis program) so that
one column shows every
possible date +
hour
combination for a 2-year
period, and another column
shows a "1" or
"0"

for
whether or not that date
exists in my original dataset
or not,
respectively.

For example, my data looks
like this:

7/1/2004 1:00
7/1/2004 2:00
7/1/2004 4:00
7/1/2004 5:00

And I want it look like this:

7/1/2004 1:00 1
7/1/2004 2:00 1
7/1/2004 3:00 0
7/1/2004 4:00 1
7/1/2004 5:00 1

It seems like VLOOKUP is
the answer, but I can't get it
to work. Am

I

on
the
right track, but maybe have
a formatting problem?

Thanks for considering!!
Ashley

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