

## C library function - ispunct()

### Description

The C library function **int ispunct(int c)** checks whether the passed character is a punctuation character. A punctuation character is any graphic character (as in isgraph) that is not alphanumeric (as in isalnum).

### Declaration

Following is the declaration for ispunct() function.

```
int ispunct(int c);
```

### Parameters

- **c** – This is the character to be checked.

### Return Value

This function returns a non-zero value(true) if c is a punctuation character else, zero (false).

### Example

The following example shows the usage of ispunct() function.

```
#include <stdio.h>
#include <ctype.h>

int main () {
    int var1 = 't';
    int var2 = '1';
    int var3 = '/';
    int var4 = ' ';

    if( ispunct(var1) ) {
        printf("var1 = |%c| is a punctuation character\n", var1 );
    } else {
        printf("var1 = |%c| is not a punctuation character\n", var1 );
    }

    if( ispunct(var2) ) {
        printf("var2 = |%c| is a punctuation character\n", var2 );
    }
```

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```
    } else {  
        printf("var2 = |%c| is not a punctuation character\n", var2 );  
    }  
  
    if( ispunct(var3) ) {  
        printf("var3 = |%c| is a punctuation character\n", var3 );  
    } else {  
        printf("var3 = |%c| is not a punctuation character\n", var3 );  
    }  
  
    if( ispunct(var4) ) {  
        printf("var4 = |%c| is a punctuation character\n", var4 );  
    } else {  
        printf("var4 = |%c| is not a punctuation character\n", var4 );  
    }  
  
    return(0);  
}
```

Let us compile and run the above program that will produce the following result –

```
var1 = |t| is not a punctuation character  
var2 = |1| is not a punctuation character  
var3 = |/| is a punctuation character  
var4 = | | is not a punctuation character
```