

COOKIES

Cookie

- A cookie is a small text file that lets you store a small amount of data on the user's computer.
- They are typically used to keeping track of information such as username that the site can retrieve to personalize the page when user visit the website next time.

Setting a Cookie in PHP

- The `setcookie()` function is used to set a cookie in PHP.
- Here's an example that uses `setcookie()` function to create a cookie named `username` and assign the value `John Carter` to it. It also specify that the cookie will expire after 30 days (30 days * 24 hours * 60 min * 60 sec)

Accessing Cookies Values

- The PHP `$_COOKIE` superglobal variable is used to retrieve a cookie value.
- It's a good practice to check whether a cookie is set or not before accessing its value. To do this you can use the PHP `isset()` function

Check if Cookies are Enabled

- Use count the `$_COOKIE` array variable.

Modify a Cookie Value

- To modify a cookie, set again the cookie using the `setcookie()` function

Removing Cookies

- You can delete a cookie by calling the same `setcookie()` function with the cookie name and any value (such as an empty string) however this time you need to set the expiration date in the past