

# Jinx Core Library

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## Using the Core Library

The Jinx core library contains a number of functions that are generally useful, such as outputting debug text and manipulating collections. To use the core library in a Jinx script, you must add the following text to the beginning of your script:

```
import core

-- other script code follows...
```

## Core Functions

### function **write** {params}

The write function sends text to the registered debug out function. It will attempt to convert any parameter type to a string, and will iterate over the values of a collection, sending each value to the debug out function in turn.

### function **write line** {params}

Operates similarly to the write function, but sends a newline character when finished.

### function {param} **(get) size**

Returns the count or size of param as an integer for supported types, otherwise returns null.

- Collection – Returns the number of elements.
- String – Returns the number of Unicode characters (not bytes).
- Buffer – Returns the number of bytes in the buffer.

### function {params} **(is) empty**

Returns true or false for supported types, otherwise returns null.

- Collection – Returns true if empty, false if not.
- String – Returns true if empty, false if not.
- Buffer – Returns true if empty, false if not.

### function **(get) key**

Returns collection element's key for iterator param, and returns null for all other types or if element is not in collection.

### **function (get) value**

Returns collection element's value for iterator `param`, and returns `null` for all other types or if element is not in collection.

### **function (get) call stack**

Returns collection of strings indicating the current call stack. The first entry is always "root".

### **function call {function param}**

Invokes a function variable `param`.

### **function call {function param} with {params}**

Invokes a function variable `param`, forwarding all `params` to the function.

## **Core Properties**

### **public readonly newline is "\n"**

The public property `newline` is primarily intended for use as a parameter for the `write` or `write line` functions.