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# Assigning Array Values

There are 2 method for assignment

1st type

```
<?php
// define array
$cars = array( 'Ferrari', 'Porsche', 'Jaguar',
               'Lamborghini', 'Mercedes'
);
?>
```

2nd type

```
<?php
// define array
$cars[0] = 'Ferrari';
$cars[1] = 'Porsche';
$cars[2] = 'Jaguar';
$cars[3] = 'Lamborghini';
$cars[4] = 'Mercedes';
?>
```



# Assigning Array Values

To automatically assign the next available index to an array value, omit the index number in your array assignment statement.

```
<?php
// define array
$cars[] = 'Ferrari';
$cars[] = 'Lamborghini';
?>
```





# Accessing Value

To access a value from an array in a script, simply use the array name and index/key in an expression and PHP will replace it with its value when the script is executed.

```
<?php
// define array
$data = array(
    'username' => 'rahul',
    'password' => 'secret',
    'host' => '192.168.0.1'
);

// use array value
echo 'The password is: ' . $data['password'];
?>
```



# Modifying Array Values

simply assign a new value to the element using either its index or its key.  
To remove an element from an array, use the `unset()` function on the corresponding key or index:

```
<?php
// define array
$meats = array(
    'fish',
    'chicken',
    'ham',
    'lamb'
);

// remove 'fish'
unset($meats[0]);
?>
```



# Modifying Array Values

If you remove an element from an array with `unset()`, PHP will set that array element to `NULL` but will not automatically re-index the array. If the array is a numerically indexed array, you can re-index it to remove these “holes” in the indexing sequence, by passing the array through PHP’s `array_multisort()` function.



# Retrieving Array Size

To finding out how many values the array contains, use PHP's `count()` function, which accepts the array variable as a parameter and returns an integer value.

```
<?php
// define array
$data = array('Monday', 'Tuesday', 'Wednesday');
// get array size
echo 'The array has ' . count($data) . ' elements';
?>
```



# Nesting Arrays

PHP also allows you to combine arrays, by placing one inside another to an unlimited depth.

```
<?php
$phonebook = array(
    array(
        'name' => 'Gaurang Kakkar',
        'tel' => '1234567',
        'email' => 'gaurang.kakkar@stu.upes.ac.in',
    ),
    array(
        'name' => 'Shlok Singh',
        'tel' => '8562904',
        'email' => 'shlok_singh@stu.upes.ac.in',
    )
);
echo "Shlok Singh's number is: " . $phonebook[1]['tel'];
?>
```



# Processing Arrays with Loops

Consider the following example

```
<?php
// define array
$cities = array('London', 'Paris', 'Madrid', 'Los Angeles',
    'Bombay', 'Jakarta');

// iterate over array
// print each value
for ($i=0; $i<count($cities); $i++) {
    echo $cities[$i] . "\r\n";
}
?>
```



# The foreach loop

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foreach ($cities as $c) {
    echo "$c \r\n";
}
```





# The foreach loop

The foreach loop also works with associative arrays, except that for such arrays, it uses two temporary variables (one each for the key and value).

```
<?php
// define array
$cities = array(
    "United Kingdom" => "London",
    "United States" => "Washington",
    "France" => "Paris",
    "India" => "Delhi"
);

// iterate over array
// print each value
foreach ($cities as $key => $value) {
    echo "$value is in $key. \r\n";
}
?>
```



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```
<?php
// define string
$str = 'tinker,tailor,soldier,spy';

// convert string to array
// output: ('tinker', 'tailor', 'soldier', 'spy')
$arr = explode(',', $str);
print_r($arr);
?>
```



# implode() Function

Joins array elements into a string.

```
<?php
// define array
$arr = array('one', 'two', 'three', 'four');

// convert array to string
// output: 'one and two and three and four'
$str = implode(' and ', $arr);
print_r($str);
?>
```



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```
<?php
// define array
$arr = range(1,1000);
print_r($arr);
?>
```



# Array functions

Function	What It Does
<code>explode()</code>	Splits a string into array elements
<code>implode()</code>	Joins array elements into a string
<code>range()</code>	Generates a number range as an array
<code>min()</code>	Finds the smallest value in an array
<code>max()</code>	Finds the largest value in an array
<code>shuffle()</code>	Randomly rearranges the sequence of elements in an array
<code>array_slice()</code>	Extracts a segment of an array
<code>array_shift()</code>	Removes an element from the beginning of an array
<code>array_unshift()</code>	Adds an element to the beginning of an array
<code>array_pop()</code>	Removes an element from the end of an array
<code>array_push()</code>	Adds an element to the end of an array



## Array's Functions

<code>array_unique()</code>	Removes duplicate elements from an array
<code>array_reverse()</code>	Reverses the sequence of elements in an array
<code>array_merge()</code>	Combines two or more arrays
<code>array_intersect()</code>	Calculates the common elements between two or more arrays
<code>array_diff()</code>	Calculates the difference between two arrays
<code>in_array()</code>	Checks if a particular value exists in an array
<code>array_key_exists()</code>	Checks if a particular key exists in an array
<code>sort()</code>	Sorts an array
<code>asort()</code>	Sorts an associative array by value
<code>krsort()</code>	Sorts an associative array by key
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