PHP Include Files

Server Side Includes (SSI) are used to create functions, headers, footers, or elements that will be reused on multiple pages. You can insert the content of a file into a PHP file before the server executes it, with the <u>include</u> or <u>require</u> function. This can save the developer a lot of time.

The include Function

The include function takes all the text in a specified file and copies it into the file that uses the include function.

6_1.php

```
<html><body>
<?php
  include( "6_2.php" );
  echo  " is a " . $sex;
?>
</body></html>
```

6_2.php

```
<?php
  echo  $name;
?>
```

$name = [Ben Ten] $sex = ⦿ boy ◯ girl   [Check] [Reset]   [   ]

The require Function

The require function is identical to include except

- The include function generates a warning (but the script will continue execution).
- The require function generates a fatal error (and the script execution will stop after the error).

```
<html><body>
<?php
  include( "NoSuchFile.php" );
  echo  "This is a test.";
```

```
<html><body>
<?php
  require( "NoSuchFile.php" );
  echo  "This is a test.";
```

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?>
</body></html>
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?>
</body></html>
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