Visual Basic Predefined Functions

Each function has a name and takes a number of parameters, given in parentheses. Each function also returns a value that can be used in a program.

Examples of using the function called StrReverse:

Dim Mystring As String

Mystring = StrReverse ("MIRROR")

or Mystring = "MY" & StrReverse ("MIRROR")

Examples of using the function called InStr:

Dim position As Integer

position = InStr ("Cadillac", "a")

or position = 15 + InStr ("Cadillac", "a")

String Functions:	Syntax:	<u>Use:</u>
Asc	Asc(char)	Returns the ASCII key code of a character; for example Asc("A") returns 65
Chr	Chr(int)	Returns a character that is associated with the ASCII value of the integer; for example Chr(66) returns " B "
Val	Val(<i>string</i>)	Converts the string to numeric value; for example Val("-23.5) returns -23.5 (as a double)
Str	Str(int)	Converts an integer into a string; for example Str(-32.5) returns " -32.5 "
StrReverse	StrReverse(S)	Returns a string in the mirror image of the string S; for example StrReverse("MIRROR") returns "RORRIM"
LCase	LCase(S)	Returns a string of all lowercase letters of the string S; for example LCase("LOWer") returns " lower"
UCase	UCase(S)	Returns a string of all uppercase letters of the string S; for example UCase("uppER") returns " UPPER"
Space	Space(n)	Generates a string of n number of spaces; for example Space(1) returns ""
StrDup	StrDup(n, char)	Generates a string with n number of repetitive characters; for example StrDup(3, "Z") returns " ZZZ"

Left	Strings.Left(S, n)	Returns a string with the first n characters of the string S; for example Strings.Left("My Cats", 2) returns "My"
Right	Strings.Right(<i>S</i> , <i>n</i>)	Returns a string with the first n characters of the string S; for example Strings.Right("My Cats", 3) returns "ats"
Mid	1) Mid(S, b) -or-	Returns a string starting from the bth place of the string S; for example Mid("My Cats", 2) returns "y Cats"
	2) Mid(<i>S</i> , <i>b</i> , <i>n</i>)	Returns a string of n characters starting at the bth place of the string S; for example Mid("My Cats", 2, 3) returns "y C"
InStr	1) InStr(<i>S</i> , <i>m</i>) -or-	Returns the position in the string S at which the content matches the string m; for example InStr("Cadillac", "a") returns 2 Or returns 0 if there is no match.
	2) InStr (<i>b, S, m</i>)	Returns the position in the string S at which the content matches the string m. The comparison will start from the bth position of S; for example InStr(4, "Cadillac", "a") returns 7 Or returns 0 if no match from that position.
InStrRev	1) InStrRev(S, m) -or-	Returns the position in the string S at which the content matches the string m. The comparison starts from the last position of S for example InStr("Science", "c") returns 6
	2) InStrRev (S, m, b)	Returns the position in the string S at which the content matches the string m. The comparison will start from the bth position of S, and work its way to the beginning of the string; for example InStr("Science", "c", 5) returns 2
Len	Len(<i>string</i>)	Returns the integer length of the string; for example Len("Hello") returns 5
LTrim	LTrim(<i>string</i>)	Returns a string with all the leading blank spaces trimmed off; for example LTrim(" Hello ") returns "Hello "
RTrim	RTrim(string)	Returns a string with all the trailing blank spaces trimmed off; for example RTrim(" Hello ") returns " Hello"
Trim	RTrim(<i>string</i>)	Returns a string with all the leading and trailing blank spaces trimmed off; for example Trim(" Hello ") returns "Hello"

Math Functions: Syntax: Use:

Round Math.Round(*d*, *b*) Rounds the decimal point number d to the bth

decimal place. The default will always round the midpoint (or 5) to the nearest even number; for example Math.Round(12.25, 1) returns 12.2 and Math.Round(12.35, 1) returns 12.4

(Note: To have the midpoint always round up, or away from the nearest 0, add MidpointRounding.AwayFromZero as the third parameter. For example Math.Round(12.25, 1, MidpointRounding.AwayFromZero) returns 12.3)

Sqrt Math.Sqrt(*n*) Returns the Square Root of the number n

Abs Math.Abs(n) Returns the Absolute value of the number n

Floor Math.Floor(*n*) Returns the Integer Value of the number n;

for example Math.Floor(54.7) returns 54

Ceiling Math.Ceiling(n) Returns the next greatest Integer Value from the

number n; for example

Math.Ceiling(76.3) returns 77

Rnd Returns a random number, with a decimal value

between 0 and 1. May be used with the

procedure Randomize.