

# PHP Exceptions

This lesson discusses what exceptions are and how PHP allows you to handle them.

## We'll cover the following



- What is an Exception?
- What Happens When an Exception is Triggered?
- Exception Handling in PHP

## What is an Exception? #

An **exception** is an unexpected program result that can be handled by the program itself. **Exception Handling** in PHP is almost similar to exception handling in all programming languages.

## What Happens When an Exception is Triggered? #

When an exception is triggered, the current code state is saved. The code execution will switch to a predefined (custom) exception handler function. Depending on the situation, the handler may then resume the execution from the saved code state, terminate the script execution or continue the script from a different location in the code.

## Exception Handling in PHP #

PHP provides the following specialized keywords for this purpose:

- try
- throw
- catch
- finally

In the next lesson, we will learn about these keywords in detail.

