

PHP Basics 2

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A variable declared **outside** a function has a GLOBAL SCOPE and **can only be accessed outside a function.**

```
<?php  
$x = 5; // global scope
```

```
function myTest() {  
    // using x inside this function will generate an error  
    echo "<p>Variable x inside function is: $x</p>";  
}  
myTest();  
echo "<p>Variable x outside function is: $x</p>";  
?>
```

Variable x inside function is:
Variable x outside function is: 5

A variable declared **within** a function has a LOCAL SCOPE and can only be accessed within that function:

```
<?php
function myTest() {
    $x = 5; // local scope
    echo "<p>Variable x inside function is: $x</p>";
}
myTest();
// using x outside the function will generate an error
echo "<p>Variable x outside function is: $x</p>";
?>
```

Variable x inside function is: 5
Variable x outside function is:

PHP The global Keyword

```
<?php
$x = 5;
$y = 10;
function myTest() {
    global $x, $y;
    $y = $x + $y;
}
myTest(); // run function
echo $y; // output the new value for variable $y
?>
```

\$GLOBALS[*index*]

```
<?php
$x = 5;
$y = 10;
function myTest() {
    $GLOBALS['y'] = $GLOBALS['x'] + $GLOBALS['y'];
}
myTest();
echo $y; // outputs 15
?>
```

static local variable

```
<?php
function myTest() {
    static $x = 0;
    echo $x;
    $x++;
}
myTest();
myTest();
myTest();
?>
```

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https://www.w3schools.com/php/phptryit.asp?filename=tryphp_echo1

```
<?php
echo "<h2>PHP is Fun!</h2>";
echo "Hello world!<br>";
echo "I'm about to learn PHP!<br>";
echo "This ", "string ", "was ", "made
", "with multiple parameters.";
?>
```

PHP is Fun!

Hello world!

I'm about to learn PHP!

This string was made with multiple parameters.

```
<?php
$txt1 = "Learn PHP";
$txt2 = "W3Schools.com";
$x = 5;
$y = 4;
echo "<h2>" . $txt1 . "</h2>";
echo "Study PHP at " . $txt2 . "<br>";
echo $x + $y;
?>
```

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Print statement can be used with or without parentheses...

```
<?php  
print "<h2>PHP is Fun!</h2>";  
print "Hello world!<br>";  
print "I'm about to learn PHP!";  
?>
```

PHP is Fun!

Hello world!

I'm about to learn PHP!

Data Types

- String
- Integer
- Float (floating point numbers - also called double)
- Boolean
- Array
- Object
- NULL
- Resource

PHP String

```
<?php  
$x = "Hello world!";  
$y = 'Hello world!';  
echo $x;  
echo "<br>";  
echo $y;  
?>
```

Hello world!
Hello world!

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
```

```
<html>
```

```
<body>
```

```
<?php
```

```
$x = 5985;
```

```
var_dump($x);
```

```
?>
```

```
</body>
```

```
</html>
```

```
int(5985)
```

```
<?php  
$x = 10.365;  
var_dump($x);  
?>
```

```
float(10.365)
```

```
<?php  
$cars =  
array("Volvo","BMW","Toyota");  
var_dump($cars);  
?>
```

```
array(3) { [0]=> string(5) "Volvo" [1]=> string(3)  
"BMW" [2]=> string(6) "Toyota" }
```

An object is a data type which stores data and information on how to process that data.

```
<?php
class Car {
    function Car() {
        $this->model = "VW";
    }
}
// create an object
$herbie = new Car();
// show object properties
echo $herbie->model;
?>
```

VW

PHP NULL Value

- Null is a special data type which can have only one value: NULL.
- A variable of data type NULL is a variable that has no value assigned to it.
- **Tip:** If a variable is created without a value, it is automatically assigned a value of NULL.
- Variables can also be emptied by setting the value to NULL:

```
<?php  
$x = "Hello world!";  
$x = null;  
var_dump($x);  
?>
```

NULL

PHP is a Loosely Typed Language

```
<?php
function addNumbers(int $a, int $b) {
    return $a + $b;
}
echo addNumbers(5, "5 days");
// since strict is NOT enabled "5 days" is changed
//to int(5), and it will return 10
?>
```

```
<?php declare(strict_types=1); // strict requirement

function addNumbers(int $a, int $b) {
    return $a + $b;
}

echo addNumbers(5, "5 days");
// since strict is enabled and "5 days" is not an //integer,
an error will be thrown
?>
```

Default Argument Value

```
<?php declare(strict_types=1); // strict requirement
function setHeight(int $minheight = 50) {
    echo "The height is : $minheight <br>";
}
setHeight(350);
setHeight(); // will use the default value of 50
setHeight(135);
setHeight(80);
?>
```

PHP Functions - Returning values

```
<?php declare(strict_types=1); // strict requirement
function sum(int $x, int $y) {
    $z = $x + $y;
    return $z;
}
```

```
echo "5 + 10 = " . sum(5, 10) . "<br>";
echo "7 + 13 = " . sum(7, 13) . "<br>";
echo "2 + 4 = " . sum(2, 4);
?>
```

PHP Return Type Declarations

```
<?php declare(strict_types=1); // strict requirement
function addNumbers(float $a, float $b) : float {
    return $a + $b;
}
echo addNumbers(1.2, 5.2);
?>
```

specify a different return type

```
<?php declare(strict_types=1); // strict requirement
function addNumbers(float $a, float $b) : int {
    return (int)($a + $b);
}
echo addNumbers(1.2, 5.2);
?>
```