Useful Functions and Expressions

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Disclaimer

Most of these functions and expressions will be reviewed in more details later.

We also assume that you are familiar with **if** ... **else** expression ©.

Output almost anything: echo

Echo is NOT a function, do NOT use parentheses!

```
<?php
$someVariable = 5;
$someAnotherVariable = 10;
$someYetAnotherVariable = 'The SUM result is ';
echo $someVariable . "\n";
echo $someAnotherVariable . "\n";
echo $someYetAnotherVariable . ($someVariable + $someAnotherVariable) . "\n";
The SUM result is 15
*/
```

Output literally anything (for debug!): var_dump() and print_r()

These functions are for debug ONLY! Never make a "real code" with them!

```
<?php
$someArray = ['name' => 'John', 'surname' => 'Smith'];
var dump($someArray); /* array(2) {
                         'name' =>
                          string(4) "John"
                          'surname' =>
                          string(5) "Smith"
                         } */
print r($someArray); /* Array
                         [name] => John
                         [surname] => Smith
```

Check if a variable or an array element exists: isset

Most likely you'll use this function with arrays:

```
<?php
someVar = 10;
$someAnotherVar = 20;
someArray[12] = 5;
if (isset($someVar)) {
    echo 'OK'; // OK
if (isset($someVar, $someAnotherVar)) {
    echo 'OK'; // OK
if (isset($someArray[12])) {
    echo 'OK'; // OK
if (isset($someNonExistingVar)) {
   echo 'OK'; // nothing
if (isset($someArray[27])) {
   echo 'OK'; // nothing
```

Delete a variable or an array element: unset

And again – most likely you'll use this function with arrays:

```
<?php
$someVar = 10;
$someAnotherVar = 20;
someArray[12] = 5;
// Simple: we are deleting a variable.
unset ($someVar);
// We may easily delete even non-existing variable.
unset($someAnotherVar, $someNonExistingVar);
// This is how we delete an array element.
unset($someArray[12]);
// We may easily delete even non-existing array element.
unset($someArray[27]);
```

Terminate a script execution: exit

This is extremely useful in CLI scripts!

```
<?php

if ($argc < 3) {
    exit('USAGE: php scan.php SOURCE_DIR DESTINATION_DIR');
}
</pre>
```

Access CLI parameters: \$argc and \$argv

This is extremely useful in CLI scripts!

```
<?php
if ($argc > 0 ) {
    foreach ($argv as $argumentNumber => $argumentValue) {
        echo $argumentNumber . ' = ' . $argumentValue . "\n";
// php 06 argc and argv.php One Two "Some more"
0 = 06 argc and argv.php
1 = One
2 = Two
3 = Some more
```

Iterate through an array (and change values): foreach

This expression works with one dimension only! For multidimensional cases use recursion.

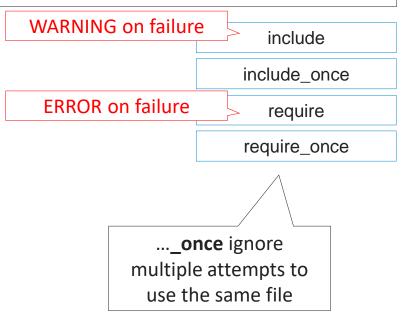
```
<?php
$someArray = ['name' => 'John', 'surname' => 'Smith', 'age' => 50];
foreach ($someArray as $key => $value) {
                                                  "John"
    if (is string($value)) {
                                                  "Smith"
        echo '"' . $value . "\"\n";
                                                  [50]
    } elseif (is int($value)) {
        echo '[' . $value . "]\n";
                                                  Array
        $someArray[$key] = $value + 1;
                                                      [name] => John
                                                      [surname] => Smith
                                                      [agel => 51]
print r($someArray);
```

Combine a script from several files: include (and variations)

These are NOT functions! Do NOT use parentheses!

```
<?php
function someCoolFunction(): void
{
}
library.php

<?php
include 'library.php';
setcookie("Test", 999, time() + 3600);
echo "Hi!";
index.php</pre>
```



Concatenate strings: .

If this was not yet obvious... ©

```
<?php
$resultLabel = 'The result of SUM is ';
$operandOne = 2;
$operandTwo = 5;
echo $resultLabel . ($operandOne + $operandTwo);
// The result of SUM is 7</pre>
```

See also...

https://front-line-php.com/cheat-sheet

https://overapi.com/php

https://www.codewithharry.com/blogpost/php-cheatsheet

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