



PHP Week 2

1. How To Work With PHP's Configuration File - PHP.INI

Overview:

The PHP configuration file, `php.ini`, is a crucial file used to control various aspects of PHP's behavior and settings. This file allows you to customize PHP's runtime environment to meet specific needs.

Example:

Suppose you need to change the maximum file upload size for your PHP application. This can be done by modifying the `upload_max_filesize` directive in the `php.ini` file.

Code Example:

ini

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```
; Set the maximum file upload size to 20M
```

```
upload_max_filesize = 20M
```

Explanation:

The `upload_max_filesize` directive specifies the maximum size of an uploaded file. By setting this value to `20M`, you're allowing uploads of files up to 20 megabytes. Changes to `php.ini` require a restart of the web server to take effect.

Summary:

The `php.ini` file is essential for configuring PHP settings. Understanding how to modify settings like `upload_max_filesize` can help tailor PHP to your application's needs. Always remember to restart your web server after making changes.

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2. PHP Error Handling & Error Handlers

Overview:

Error handling in PHP is crucial for debugging and managing errors in your application. PHP provides several ways to handle errors, including built-in functions and custom error handlers.



Example:

You want to log errors to a file and display a custom error message to users.

Code Example:

php

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```
// Set error reporting to log errors and display none
ini_set('display_errors', 0);
ini_set('log_errors', 1);
ini_set('error_log', '/path/to/error.log');

// Custom error handler function
function customErrorHandler($errno, $errstr, $errfile, $errline) {
    error_log("Error [$errno] $errstr in $errfile on line $errline");
    // Display a custom error message to users
    echo "An error occurred. Please try again later.";
}

// Set the custom error handler
set_error_handler("customErrorHandler");

// Trigger an error
echo $undefinedVariable;
```

Explanation:

The `ini_set` function is used to configure PHP's error handling settings. `display_errors` is turned off to prevent error messages from being displayed to users, while `log_errors` is turned on to log errors to a specified file. The `customErrorHandler` function is defined to handle errors, log them, and display a user-friendly message.

Summary:

Effective error handling in PHP involves configuring error settings and using custom error handlers to manage errors gracefully. This ensures errors are logged for debugging while providing a better user experience.

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3. Basic Apache Webserver Configuration & Virtual Hosts



Overview:

Configuring the Apache web server involves setting up virtual hosts to serve different websites or applications from a single server. Virtual hosts allow you to host multiple domains on one server.

Example:

You need to set up two virtual hosts on Apache: [example1.com](#) and [example2.com](#).

Code Example:

apache

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```
# /etc/apache2/sites-available/example1.com.conf
```

```
<VirtualHost *:80>
```

```
    ServerName example1.com
```

```
    DocumentRoot /var/www/example1
```

```
    <Directory /var/www/example1>
```

```
        AllowOverride All
```

```
        Require all granted
```

```
    </Directory>
```

```
</VirtualHost>
```

```
# /etc/apache2/sites-available/example2.com.conf
```

```
<VirtualHost *:80>
```

```
    ServerName example2.com
```

```
    DocumentRoot /var/www/example2
```

```
    <Directory /var/www/example2>
```

```
        AllowOverride All
```

```
        Require all granted
```

```
    </Directory>
```

```
</VirtualHost>
```

Explanation:

Each virtual host configuration file specifies the domain name, document root, and directory permissions. After creating these files, enable them with [a2ensite](#) and restart Apache for the changes to take effect.

Summary:

Configuring Apache with virtual hosts allows you to manage multiple websites or applications on a single server. By setting up virtual host files and enabling them, you can serve different domains efficiently.



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4. Working With File System In PHP

Overview:

PHP provides functions to interact with the file system, allowing you to read, write, and manipulate files and directories.

Example:

You want to create a new file, write some data to it, and then read the data back.

Code Example:

php

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```
// Create and write to a file
$file = 'example.txt';
$data = 'Hello, world!';
file_put_contents($file, $data);
```

```
// Read the file content
$contents = file_get_contents($file);
echo $contents; // Outputs: Hello, world!
```

Explanation:

`file_put_contents` creates a new file or overwrites an existing file with the specified data.

`file_get_contents` reads the file's content and returns it as a string. These functions simplify file operations in PHP.

Summary:

Working with files in PHP is straightforward with functions like `file_put_contents` and `file_get_contents`. These functions enable you to easily create, write, and read files, making file management tasks simpler.



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5. Mini Exercise Project Overview

Overview:

This section provides an overview of a mini exercise project that incorporates various PHP concepts learned throughout the course.

Example:

Create a simple blog application that allows users to post articles and view them.

Code Example:

```
php
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// Simple blog example (index.php)
<?php
// Connect to database (Assuming connection code here)

// Fetch posts from database
$posts = $db->query("SELECT * FROM posts");

// Display posts
foreach ($posts as $post) {
    echo "<h2>{$post['title']}</h2>";
    echo "<p>{$post['content']}</p>";
}
?>
```

Explanation:

This basic example shows how to fetch and display blog posts from a database. The database connection and query execution code (not shown) would be required for this script to work properly. This exercise helps reinforce database interaction and PHP scripting.

Summary:

The mini exercise project demonstrates how to apply PHP concepts in a real-world scenario. By building a simple blog application, you can practice integrating various PHP features into a functional project.



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6. Building Small Part Of The App With Procedural PHP

Overview:

Procedural PHP programming involves writing code in a sequential manner where functions and logic are executed in a specific order. This approach is useful for small applications or for learning PHP fundamentals.

Example:

Create a simple user registration system where users can sign up and view their profile.

Code Example:

php

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```
// Connect to the database
$mysqli = new mysqli("localhost", "user", "password", "database");

// Check connection
if ($mysqli->connect_error) {
    die("Connection failed: " . $mysqli->connect_error);
}

// User registration
if ($_SERVER['REQUEST_METHOD'] === 'POST') {
    $username = $_POST['username'];
    $password = password_hash($_POST['password'], PASSWORD_BCRYPT);

    $stmt = $mysqli->prepare("INSERT INTO users (username, password) VALUES (?, ?)");
    $stmt->bind_param("ss", $username, $password);
    $stmt->execute();
    echo "User registered successfully!";
}

// Display user profile
$result = $mysqli->query("SELECT * FROM users");
while ($row = $result->fetch_assoc()) {
    echo "User: " . htmlspecialchars($row['username']) . "<br>";
}
```




```
$mysqli->close();
```

Explanation:

This code snippet demonstrates connecting to a MySQL database using procedural PHP, inserting a new user, and displaying a list of registered users. It uses prepared statements to safely insert user data and `mysqli` functions for database operations.

Summary:

Procedural PHP is straightforward and suitable for small projects. This example highlights how to use PHP for basic CRUD operations and interact with a database in a procedural style.

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7. PHP OOP Tutorial Section 2 - Intro to Object Oriented Programming

Overview:

Object-Oriented Programming (OOP) in PHP helps organize code into classes and objects, making it more modular and reusable. This section introduces the core concepts of OOP, such as classes, objects, and methods.

Example:

Create a simple class to represent a `Car` with properties and methods.

Code Example:

```
php
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class Car {
    public $make;
    public $model;

    public function __construct($make, $model) {
        $this->make = $make;
        $this->model = $model;
    }

    public function displayInfo() {
```



```
        return "Car make: " . $this->make . ", Model: " . $this->model;
    }
}
```

```
$car = new Car("Toyota", "Corolla");
echo $car->displayInfo();
```

Explanation:

The `Car` class has properties for `make` and `model` and a method `displayInfo()` to return the car's details. The `__construct` method initializes the object with values. This example illustrates basic class definition and object instantiation.

Summary:

OOP in PHP provides a structured approach to code organization. By defining classes and objects, you can create more manageable and reusable code. This section covers the foundational concepts of OOP.

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8. PHP Docker Tutorial - Nginx - PHPFPM VS Apache

Overview:

Docker is a tool for containerizing applications, which allows you to run PHP applications in isolated environments. This tutorial compares using Nginx with PHP-FPM versus Apache for serving PHP applications in Docker containers.

Example:

Set up a Docker environment with Nginx and PHP-FPM.

Code Example:

Dockerfile for PHP-FPM:

```
dockerfile
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FROM php:7.4-fpm
COPY ./var/www/html
WORKDIR /var/www/html
RUN docker-php-ext-install mysqli
```




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Nginx Configuration:

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```
server {  
    listen 80;  
    server_name example.com;  
    root /var/www/html;  
  
    location / {  
        try_files $uri $uri/ /index.php?$query_string;  
    }  
  
    location ~ \.php$ {  
        include snippets/fastcgi-php.conf;  
        fastcgi_pass php:9000;  
        fastcgi_param SCRIPT_FILENAME $document_root$fastcgi_script_name;  
        include fastcgi_params;  
    }  
}
```

Explanation:

The Dockerfile sets up a PHP-FPM container, copying application files and installing required extensions. The Nginx configuration file specifies how to serve PHP files using PHP-FPM. This setup allows Nginx to handle requests and pass PHP scripts to the PHP-FPM service.

Summary:

Using Docker with Nginx and PHP-FPM provides an efficient and scalable way to deploy PHP applications. This setup contrasts with using Apache, offering different performance and configuration options.

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9. PHP Classes & Objects - Typed Properties - Constructors & Destructors

Overview:

Typed properties, constructors, and destructors are important OOP features in PHP. Typed



properties ensure that variables hold specific types, while constructors and destructors handle object initialization and cleanup.

Example:

Create a **Person** class with typed properties, a constructor, and a destructor.

Code Example:

php

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```
class Person {  
    private string $name;  
    private int $age;  
  
    public function __construct(string $name, int $age) {  
        $this->name = $name;  
        $this->age = $age;  
    }  
  
    public function __destruct() {  
        echo "Person object with name {$this->name} is being destroyed.";  
    }  
  
    public function getInfo(): string {  
        return "Name: {$this->name}, Age: {$this->age}";  
    }  
}  
  
$person = new Person("Alice", 30);  
echo $person->getInfo();
```

Explanation:

The **Person** class includes typed properties for **name** and **age**, ensuring correct data types. The constructor initializes these properties, while the destructor provides a message when the object is destroyed. Typed properties help enforce data integrity.

Summary:

Typed properties, constructors, and destructors enhance OOP in PHP by providing type safety and managing object lifecycle. These features improve code quality and maintainability.

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10. Constructor Property Promotion - Nullsafe Operator

Overview:

Constructor property promotion and the nullsafe operator are features introduced in PHP 8 that streamline object construction and simplify null checks.

Example:

Use constructor property promotion to define properties and initialize them directly in the constructor. Apply the nullsafe operator to handle potential null values.

Code Example:

php

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```
class User {  
    public function __construct(  
        public string $name,  
        public ?int $age = null  
    ) {}  
  
    public function getAge(): ?int {  
        return $this->age;  
    }  
}
```

```
$user = new User("Bob");  
echo $user->name;  
echo $user->getAge()?->toString() ?: "No age provided";
```

Explanation:

Constructor property promotion allows properties to be defined and initialized in the constructor parameters. The nullsafe operator (`?->`) ensures that method calls on potentially null objects are safe. This reduces boilerplate code and improves readability.

Summary:

PHP 8's constructor property promotion and nullsafe operator simplify object construction and null value handling. These features enhance code efficiency and reduce potential errors.

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11. PHP Namespace Tutorial

Overview:

Namespaces in PHP help organize code and avoid name conflicts by grouping related classes, functions, and constants under a common name. They improve code structure and maintainability.

Example:

Define a namespace for a `Library` class and use it in different files.

Code Example:

php

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```
// File: src/Library/Book.php
```

```
namespace Library;
```

```
class Book {
```

```
    public function __construct(public string $title) {}  
}
```

```
// File: index.php
```

```
require 'src/Library/Book.php';
```

```
use Library\Book;
```

```
$book = new Book("1984");
```

```
echo $book->title;
```

Explanation:

In `src/Library/Book.php`, the `Library` namespace is defined for the `Book` class. The `use` statement in `index.php` imports the class from the namespace, allowing it to be used without specifying the full namespace. Namespaces prevent class name conflicts and organize code logically.

Summary:

Namespaces are essential for organizing code and preventing name collisions. By grouping related classes and functions, they enhance code readability and maintainability.



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12. PHP Coding Standards, Autoloading (PSR-4) & Composer

Overview:

Adhering to coding standards, using autoloading (PSR-4), and leveraging Composer for dependency management are best practices in PHP development. These practices ensure clean, maintainable, and efficient code.

Example:

Set up PSR-4 autoloading with Composer.

Code Example:

composer.json:

```
json
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{
  "autoload": {
    "psr-4": {
      "App\\": "src/"
    }
  }
}
```

Directory Structure:

```
bash
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/src
  /Controller
    HomeController.php
```

src/Controller/HomeController.php:

```
php
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```



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```
namespace App\Controller;
```

```
class HomeController {  
    public function index() {  
        return "Home Page";  
    }  
}
```

index.php:

```
php  
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require 'vendor/autoload.php';  
  
use App\Controller\HomeController;  
  
$controller = new HomeController();  
echo $controller->index();
```

Explanation:

The `composer.json` file configures PSR-4 autoloading, mapping the `App` namespace to the `src` directory. Composer generates an autoload file, allowing classes to be loaded automatically based on their namespace and directory structure. This eliminates the need for manual `require` statements.

Summary:

Following coding standards, implementing PSR-4 autoloading, and using Composer improve code organization and management. These practices ensure a clean and efficient development workflow.

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13. Object Oriented PHP - Class Constants

Overview:

Class constants in PHP are used to define values that are constant and accessible without creating an instance of the class. They are useful for storing configuration values or fixed data.

**Example:**

Define a class with constants and access them.

Code Example:

php

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```
class Config {  
    public const VERSION = '1.0';  
    public const AUTHOR = 'John Doe';  
}  
  
// Accessing class constants  
echo Config::VERSION; // Outputs: 1.0  
echo Config::AUTHOR; // Outputs: John Doe
```

Explanation:

Class constants are defined using the `const` keyword. They are accessed using the class name followed by the scope resolution operator `::`. Class constants are immutable and can be used to define application-wide configuration or fixed values.

Summary:

Class constants provide a way to define and use fixed values within a class. They are accessed statically and help maintain consistency across the application.

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14. Static Properties & Methods In Object Oriented PHP

Overview:

Static properties and methods in PHP belong to the class itself rather than to any particular instance. They are used for data or functionality that is common to all instances of the class.

Example:

Define a class with static properties and methods.

Code Example:



php

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```
class Counter {  
    private static int $count = 0;  
  
    public static function increment() {  
        self::$count++;  
    }  
  
    public static function getCount(): int {  
        return self::$count;  
    }  
}  
  
// Use static methods  
Counter::increment();  
echo Counter::getCount(); // Outputs: 1
```

Explanation:

Static properties and methods are accessed using the **static** keyword. The **self** keyword is used to reference static properties and methods within the class. Static methods can be called without creating an instance of the class, making them useful for utility functions.

Summary:

Static properties and methods offer a way to manage data or functionality that is shared across all instances of a class. They provide a mechanism to handle common tasks or shared resources efficiently.

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15. PHP Encapsulation & Abstraction

Overview:

Encapsulation and abstraction are key principles of OOP. Encapsulation involves hiding the internal state of an object and providing controlled access through methods. Abstraction simplifies complex systems by providing a clear interface.

Example:

Implement encapsulation and abstraction with a **Vehicle** class.



Code Example:

php

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```
abstract class Vehicle {
    private string $brand;

    public function __construct(string $brand) {
        $this->brand = $brand;
    }

    public function getBrand(): string {
        return $this->brand;
    }

    abstract public function start(): void;
}

class Car extends Vehicle {
    public function start(): void {
        echo "The car is starting...";
    }
}

$car = new Car("Toyota");
echo $car->getBrand(); // Outputs: Toyota
$car->start();         // Outputs: The car is starting...
```

Explanation:

Encapsulation is demonstrated by the private `brand` property, which is accessed through the `getBrand` method. Abstraction is shown with the `Vehicle` class, which defines an abstract `start` method that must be implemented by subclasses like `Car`.

Summary:

Encapsulation and abstraction are crucial for managing complexity and protecting object integrity. They help create clear, maintainable, and reusable code by hiding implementation details and exposing only necessary interfaces.

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16. PHP Inheritance Explained - Is Inheritance Good

Overview:

Inheritance is a fundamental OOP concept that allows a class to inherit properties and methods from another class. It promotes code reuse and establishes a hierarchy between classes.

Example:

Demonstrate inheritance with a **Shape** base class and a **Circle** subclass.

Code Example:

php

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```
class Shape {  
    public function draw(): void {  
        echo "Drawing a shape."  
    }  
}
```

```
class Circle extends Shape {  
    public function draw(): void {  
        echo "Drawing a circle."  
    }  
}
```

```
$shape = new Shape();  
$shape->draw(); // Outputs: Drawing a shape.
```

```
$circle = new Circle();  
$circle->draw(); // Outputs: Drawing a circle.
```

Explanation:

The **Circle** class inherits from the **Shape** class and overrides the **draw** method. Inheritance allows **Circle** to reuse the **Shape** class's methods while providing its own implementation.

Summary:

Inheritance is a powerful tool for code reuse and organization. It allows for hierarchical relationships between classes, enabling subclasses to inherit and extend the functionality of base classes.

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17. PHP Abstract Classes & Methods

Overview:

Abstract classes and methods in PHP are used to define a base class that cannot be instantiated directly. Abstract methods must be implemented by any subclass.

Example:

Create an abstract class with abstract methods and extend it with a concrete class.

Code Example:

php

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```
abstract class Animal {  
    abstract public function makeSound(): string;
```

```
    public function sleep(): void {  
        echo "Sleeping...";  
    }  
}
```

```
class Dog extends Animal {  
    public function makeSound(): string {  
        return "Bark";  
    }  
}
```

```
  
$dog = new Dog();  
echo $dog->makeSound(); // Outputs: Bark  
$dog->sleep();          // Outputs: Sleeping...
```

Explanation:

The `Animal` class is abstract and includes an abstract method `makeSound` that must be implemented by subclasses. The `Dog` class extends `Animal` and provides an implementation for `makeSound`. Abstract classes provide a template for other classes to follow.

Summary:

Abstract classes and methods establish a contract for subclasses, ensuring certain methods are



implemented. They help define a common interface for related classes while preventing direct instantiation of the base class.

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18. PHP Interfaces & Polymorphism - Interfaces Explained

Overview:

Interfaces in PHP define a contract for classes, specifying methods that must be implemented without providing the method definitions. Polymorphism allows objects of different classes to be treated as objects of a common interface.

Example:

Create an interface for **Drawable** objects and implement it in multiple classes.

Code Example:

php

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```
interface Drawable {  
    public function draw(): void;  
}
```

```
class Circle implements Drawable {  
    public function draw(): void {  
        echo "Drawing a circle.";  
    }  
}
```

```
class Square implements Drawable {  
    public function draw(): void {  
        echo "Drawing a square.";  
    }  
}
```

```
function render(Drawable $drawable) {  
    $drawable->draw();  
}
```




```
$circle = new Circle();  
$square = new Square();
```

```
render($circle); // Outputs: Drawing a circle.  
render($square); // Outputs: Drawing a square.
```

Explanation:

The **Drawable** interface defines a **draw** method that must be implemented by any class that uses this interface. Both **Circle** and **Square** implement **Drawable** and provide their own implementations of the **draw** method. The **render** function demonstrates polymorphism by accepting any object that implements **Drawable**.

Summary:

Interfaces in PHP provide a way to define a common contract for classes, promoting polymorphism. This allows different classes to be used interchangeably if they implement the same interface, enhancing flexibility and code organization.

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19. What Are PHP Magic Methods & How They Work

Overview:

Magic methods in PHP are special methods that start with double underscores (**__**). They allow you to define behavior for certain actions, such as object creation, property access, and method calls.

Example:

Use magic methods **__construct**, **__get**, **__set**, and **__call** in a class.

Code Example:

```
php  
Copy code  
class MagicExample {  
    private $data = [];  
  
    public function __construct($data) {  
        $this->data = $data;  
    }  
}
```



```
public function __get($name) {  
    return $this->data[$name] ?? "Property not found";  
}  
  
public function __set($name, $value) {  
    $this->data[$name] = $value;  
}  
  
public function __call($name, $arguments) {  
    return "Method $name does not exist";  
}  
}  
  
$magic = new MagicExample(["name" => "Alice"]);  
echo $magic->name;           // Outputs: Alice  
$magic->age = 30;  
echo $magic->age;           // Outputs: 30  
echo $magic->undefinedMethod(); // Outputs: Method undefinedMethod does not exist
```

Explanation:

Magic methods provide hooks for customizing object behavior. `__construct` is called when an object is instantiated. `__get` and `__set` handle dynamic property access. `__call` is invoked for calls to undefined methods. These methods help implement dynamic and flexible class behavior.

Summary:

PHP magic methods enable dynamic and flexible class interactions. They provide ways to handle property access and method calls that aren't explicitly defined in the class, offering advanced customization options.

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20. What Is Late Static Binding & How It Works In PHP

Overview:

Late static binding in PHP allows static methods and properties to refer to the called class at runtime rather than the class where the method was defined. It resolves issues with static inheritance and method calls.

**Example:**

Demonstrate late static binding with a base class and subclass.

Code Example:

php

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```
class Base {  
    public static function whoAmI() {  
        return static::class;  
    }  
}  
  
class Derived extends Base {}  
  
echo Base::whoAmI(); // Outputs: Base  
echo Derived::whoAmI(); // Outputs: Derived
```

Explanation:

The `whoAmI` method in the `Base` class uses `static::class` to refer to the class that called the method. Late static binding ensures that the method returns the class name of the object that invoked it, allowing for more accurate static method behavior in inheritance scenarios.

Summary:

Late static binding allows static methods to resolve to the called class at runtime, rather than the class where the method was originally defined. This feature enhances flexibility and correctness in static method usage.

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21. PHP Traits - How They Work & Drawbacks

Overview:

Traits in PHP are a mechanism for code reuse that allows you to include methods in multiple classes. They provide a way to share common functionality across different classes without using inheritance.

Example:

Create a trait and use it in multiple classes.



Code Example:

```
php
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trait Logger {
    public function log(string $message): void {
        echo "Log: $message";
    }
}

class User {
    use Logger;
}

class Product {
    use Logger;
}

$user = new User();
$product = new Product();

$user->log("User created."); // Outputs: Log: User created.
$product->log("Product added."); // Outputs: Log: Product added.
```

Explanation:

The **Logger** trait defines a **log** method that can be used by multiple classes. Both **User** and **Product** classes use the **Logger** trait, allowing them to share the **log** method without inheritance. Traits help avoid code duplication and enhance reusability.

Summary:

Traits offer a way to share methods across multiple classes, promoting code reuse without inheritance. However, they should be used carefully to avoid complexity and conflicts, as traits can introduce issues such as method name collisions.

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22. PHP Anonymous Classes

Overview:

Anonymous classes in PHP are classes without a name, which can be used for simple, one-off



objects that don't require a named class. They are useful for short-term use and can be instantiated directly.

Example:

Create and use an anonymous class.

Code Example:

php

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```
$anonymous = new class {  
    public function greet(): string {  
        return "Hello from an anonymous class!";  
    }  
};  
  
echo $anonymous->greet(); // Outputs: Hello from an anonymous class!
```

Explanation:

An anonymous class is instantiated with the `new class {}` syntax. It allows you to define methods and properties without creating a named class. This can be handy for situations where a temporary, simple class is needed without defining a full class.

Summary:

Anonymous classes offer a quick way to create and use simple classes without the overhead of defining a named class. They are suitable for temporary use and can streamline code when a full class definition is unnecessary.

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23. PHP Variable Storage & Object Comparison

Overview:

Understanding how PHP handles variable storage and compares objects is crucial for managing resources and ensuring correct behavior in applications. This includes how variables are stored and how objects are compared.

**Example:**

Compare objects and understand variable storage differences.

Code Example:

php

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```
class Person {  
    public function __construct(public string $name) {}  
}  
  
$person1 = new Person("Alice");  
$person2 = new Person("Alice");  
$person3 = $person1;  
  
echo ($person1 === $person2) ? "Same object" : "Different objects"; // Outputs: Different objects  
echo ($person1 === $person3) ? "Same object" : "Different objects"; // Outputs: Same object
```

Explanation:

In PHP, the `===` operator checks if two objects are the same instance. Although `$person1` and `$person2` have the same data, they are different instances. `$person3` is assigned from `$person1`, so they refer to the same instance. Understanding these differences is key for effective object management.

Summary:

Object comparison in PHP distinguishes between different instances and the same instance. Knowing how PHP manages variable storage and object comparisons helps in writing accurate and efficient code.

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24. PHP DocBlock - Adding Comment to Classes & Methods

Overview:

DocBlocks are a way to add structured comments to PHP code, providing information about classes, methods, and properties. They are used for generating documentation and enhancing code readability.

Example:

Add DocBlock comments to a class and its methods.



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Code Example:

php

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```
/**
 * Class Person
 * Represents a person with a name and age.
 */
class Person {
    /**
     * @var string $name The person's name.
     */
    private string $name;

    /**
     * @var int $age The person's age.
     */
    private int $age;

    /**
     * Person constructor.
     *
     * @param string $name The person's name.
     * @param int $age The person's age.
     */
    public function __construct(string $name, int $age) {
        $this->name = $name;
        $this->age = $age;
    }

    /**
     * Get the person's name.
     *
     * @return string The person's name.
     */
    public function getName(): string {
        return $this->name;
    }

    /**
     * Get the person's age.
     */
}
```



```
*  
* @return int The person's age.  
*/  
public function getAge(): int {  
    return $this->age;  
}  
}
```

Explanation:

DocBlocks use special tags like `@param`, `@return`, and `@var` to describe the purpose and types of class properties, methods, and parameters. They help generate comprehensive documentation and provide hints to IDEs and developers about the code.

Summary:

DocBlocks are essential for documenting PHP code, improving readability and maintainability. They facilitate automatic documentation generation and enhance code understanding for developers and tools.

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MCQ

1. What is the primary use of anonymous classes in PHP?

- A) To create classes with a special name
- B) To define methods and properties for temporary objects
- C) To replace inheritance
- D) To manage multiple inheritance in PHP

Answer: B) To define methods and properties for temporary objects

2. Which of the following is true about anonymous classes?

- A) They cannot have methods.
- B) They can only be used once.
- C) They can implement interfaces and use traits.



- D) They are deprecated in PHP 8.

Answer: C) They can implement interfaces and use traits.

3. Which of the following comparisons will result in true in PHP?

php

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```
$person1 = new Person("Alice");  
$person2 = new Person("Alice");  
$person3 = $person1;
```

- A) `$person1 === $person2`
- B) `$person1 === $person3`
- C) `$person2 === $person3`
- D) All of the above

Answer: B) `$person1 === $person3`

4. How does PHP compare two objects when using the `===` operator?

- A) By comparing the memory addresses of the objects
- B) By comparing the values of all properties
- C) By comparing the types of the objects only
- D) By comparing the class names of the objects

Answer: A) By comparing the memory addresses of the objects

5. Which of the following best describes PHP DocBlocks?

- A) A way to document the performance of PHP code
- B) A structured comment format for documenting classes and methods
- C) A tool for debugging PHP code
- D) A feature used to generate HTML comments

Answer: B) A structured comment format for documenting classes and methods



6. What tag would you use in a PHP DocBlock to describe the return type of a method?

- A) @method
- B) @param
- C) @return
- D) @var

Answer: C) @return

7. In PHP, which of the following is a magic method used to handle accessing an undefined property?

- A) __construct
- B) __set
- C) __get
- D) __call

Answer: C) __get

8. What is the purpose of late static binding in PHP?

- A) To allow objects to be bound to static variables
- B) To resolve static method calls to the class where the method was originally defined
- C) To ensure that static method calls refer to the calling class at runtime
- D) To prevent method overriding in child classes

Answer: C) To ensure that static method calls refer to the calling class at runtime

9. Which of the following is NOT a magic method in PHP?

- A) __toString
- B) __clone
- C) __unset



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- D) __bind

Answer: D) __bind

10. Which of the following is a limitation of using traits in PHP?

- A) They can only be used in one class.
- B) They don't support inheritance.
- C) They can lead to method name conflicts.
- D) They are slower than traditional inheritance.

Answer: C) They can lead to method name conflicts.



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