# Description

The C library function **char \*gets(char \*str)** reads a line from stdin and stores it into the string pointed to by str.lt stops when either the newline character is read or when the end-of-file is reached, whichever comes first.

### Declaration

Following is the declaration for gets() function.

```
char *gets(char *str)
```

#### **Parameters**

str -- This is the pointer to an array of chars where the C string is stored.

#### Return Value

This function returns str on success, and NULL on error or when end of file occurs while no characters have been read.

# Example

The following example shows the usage of gets() function.

```
#include <stdio.h>
int main()
{
   char str[50];
   printf("Enter a string : ");
   gets(str);
   printf("You entered: %s", str);
   return(0);
}
```