# Working with Objects in the Pipeline



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# Let the pipeline do the work for you.



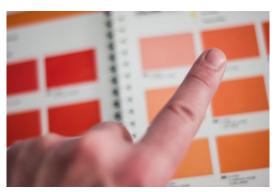
## Objects are Objects







**Group-Object** 



**Select-Object** 



**Measure-Object** 



PS C:\> Get-Service | Sort-Object -property DisplayName

Sort-Object

Specify a property name

Original objects are displayed



PS C:\> Get-Service | Group-Object -property StartType

Group-Object

Specify a property name

Cmdlet writes a new object to the pipeline

**GroupInfo object** 



PS C:\> Get-ChildItem c:\work -file | Select-Object -first 3

#### Select-Object

You can select First or Last X number of objects

You can also skip Y number of objects

Cmdlet writes the original object to the pipeline



PS C:\> Get-Process | Select-Object -property ID, Name, WorkingSet

Select-Object

**Specify properties** 

Cmdlet writes a new object to the pipeline with the same property names

Technically a different object type



PS C:\Data\> Get-ChildItem -file | Measure-Object -property Length -sum

Measure-Object

Specify properties to measure

Specify what type of measurement

Cmdlet writes a new object to the pipeline



#### Demo



**Working with Objects** 



#### Working with Objects Individually

ForEach-Object

Do something with each object

\$\_

Write the results to the pipeline



PS C:\> 1..10 | ForEach-Object { \$\_ \* 2 }

For Each-Object

Each piped in object is processed individually

\$\_ is a placeholder for the current object in the pipeline



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PS C:\> 1..10 | ForEach-Object { $_ * 2 } 2 4 6 8 10
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ForEach-Object has an alias of foreach

There is also a foreach keyword

The keyword is used more in scripting

You can use *foreach* and PowerShell will figure out what you mean

Help about\_ForEach



### Demo



ForEach-Object

