

## **Delphi Incomplete reference**

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For a better reference visit: <http://www.delphibasics.co.uk/>

### **Ffixed/ffcurency:**

//not this can only be done with a real/float variable

FloattostrF(rNum, ffcurency, 8, 4)

FloattostrF(rNum, Ffixed, 8, 4)

//8 : numbers in front of the comma or fullstop

//4 : decimal places

### **Date/Time:**

ShowMessage('Today = '+DateToStr(Date));

Today = 29/10/2002

### **Message dialog:**

Taken off <http://www.delphibasics.co.uk/>

var

buttonSelected : Integer;

begin

buttonSelected := messagedlg('Custom  
dialog',mtCustom, [mbYes,mbAll,mbCancel], 0); // Show a custom dialog

// Show the button type selected

if buttonSelected = mrYes then ShowMessage('Yes pressed');

if buttonSelected = mrAll then ShowMessage('All pressed');

if buttonSelected = mrCancel then ShowMessage('Cancel pressed');

end;

//or:

if messageDlg('Sure you want to delete recod for ' + sVeg + '?',  
mtWarning,[mbOk, mbCancel], 0) = mrOk

### **Passwords:**

```
Edit2.PasswordChar := '•';
```

### **Random:**

```
iRandom := RANDOM(10) + 1;
```

//random(10) will give you a random value from 0 to 9 the plus one will give you 1 to 10

### **Jpeg:**

uses

Windows, Messages, SysUtils, Variants, Classes, Graphics, Controls, Forms,  
Dialogs, StdCtrls, ExtCtrls, ComCtrls, **JPEG**;

```
img.picture.LoadFromFile('image.jpg');
```

### **Text files:**

#### **Reading from:**

```
if FileExists('Names.txt') <> true
```

```
    ShowMessage('File does not exist');
```

```
    Exit;
```

```
end;
```

```
AssignFile(fileRead, 'Names.txt');
```

```
Reset(fileRead);
```

```
while NOT EoF (fileRead)//while it is not end of file
```

```
//only use while loops for looking in text files
```

```
    ReadLn(fileRead, sLine); //assign sline the current line
```

```
    iLength := length(sLine);
```

```
    if SLine = ' ' then delete(sLine,1, iLength);
```

```
    iPos := POS('#',SLine);
```

```
    sName := COPY(sLine, 1, iPos - 1);
```

```
    DELETE(sLine, 1, iPos);
```

```
    iAge := strtoint(sLine);
```

```
end;
```

### Writing to:

```
AssignFile(myFile, 'Test.txt');
```

```
ReWrite(myFile);
```

```
append(myFile);
```

```
WriteLn(myFile, sline);
```

```
CloseFile(myFile);
```

### Sorting:

```
for iLoop := 1 to iCount - 1
```

```
    for iLoop2 := iLoop + 1 to iCount
```

```
        if arrHeight[iLoop2] < arrHeight[iLoop]
```

```
            sTemp := inttostr(arrHeight[iLoop]);
```

```
            arrHeight[iLoop] := arrHeight[iLoop2];
```

```
            arrHeight[iLoop2] := strtoint(sTemp);
```

```
end;end;end;
```

### **Array:**

#### Array(2d):

```
arrTwoD : Array [1..10, 1..10] of integer;
```

```
arrTwoD[iRow][ iCol];
```

### **String grid:**

```
stgDisplay.Cells[iCol, iRow]
```

```
stgDisplay.Cells[iCol, iRow]
```

### **Databases not sql:**

#### **Number of records:**

```
iCount := adoFruitandveg.RecordCount;
```

#### **Displaying a field:**

```
adoFruitandveg.Open;
```

```
adofruitandveg.first;
```

```
while not adofruitandveg.eof
```

```
    redOut.Lines.Add(adofruitandveg['FVName']);
```

```
    adofruitandveg.next;
```

```
end;
```

```
adofruitandveg.Close;
```

#### **Searching for the first instance:**

```
adoFruitAndVeg.Open;
```

```
if adoFruitAndVeg.Locate('FVname', sVeg, []) = true
```

```
    redOut.Lines.Add(adoFruitAndVeg['FVName'] + ' found in position ' +  
    inttostr(adoFruitAndVeg['ID']));
```

```
end
```

```
else
```

```
    redOut.Lines.Add('not found in database');
```

```
end;
```

```
adoFruitandveg.Close;
```

### Feld by name

```
adoQryBookings.FieldByName('StartOfBooking').AsDateTime
```

### Searching for multiple instances:

```
adoFruitandveg.Open;
```

```
adoFruitandveg.First;
```

```
while not adoFruitandveg.Eof
```

```
    if uppercase(adoFruitandveg['colour']) = uppercase(sCol)
```

```
        sOutput := sOutput + adoFruitandveg['FvName'] + ',';
```

```
    end;
```

```
    adoFruitandveg.Next;
```

```
end;
```

```
adoFruitandveg.Close;
```

#### Sorting data:

```
adoFruitandveg.Open;  
adofruitandveg.First;  
adofruitandveg.Sort := 'Price DESC';  
while not adofruitandveg.Eof  
    redOut.Lines.Add(floattostrF(adoFruitandveg['Price'], ffCurrency,8,2)  
    + #9 + adoFruitandveg['FVName']);  
    adoFruitandveg.Next;  
end;  
adoFruitandveg.Close;
```

#### Inserting data:

```
sName := inputBox('','Enter name','');  
adoFruitandveg.Insert;  
adoFruitandveg['FVName'] := sName;  
adoFruitandveg.Post;
```



#### Updating a record:

```
adoFruitandveg.Open;
adoFruitandveg.First;
while not adoFruitandveg.Eof
    adoFruitandveg.edit;
    if uppercase(adoFruitandveg['FVName']) = uppercase(sVeg)
        adoFruitandveg['Colour'] := sCol;
    end;
    adoFruitandveg.Post;
    adoFruitandveg.Next;
end;
adoFruitandveg.Close;
```

#### Deleting a record:

```
adoFruitandveg.Open;
adoFruitandveg.First;
if AdoFruitandveg.Locate('FVName', sVeg , [])
    if messageDlg('Sure you want to delete recod for ' + sVeg + '?',
        mtWarning,[mbOk, mbCancel], 0) = mrOk
        adoFruitandVeg.Delete;
    end;
end;
adoFruitandveg.Close;
```

### Filtering:

adoTable.filter('string');

adotable.filtered;//can't use this in tests

### Methods:

#### Searching for a substring:

Containstext('help me', help) //this returns true or false depending on if a the substring is found or not

#### String and character Methods:

CHAR	CHAR(65) (= 'A')	Converts an ascii value to a character
ORD	ORD('A') (= 65)	Finds the ascii value of a character
LENGTH	LENTH('Sally') (= 5)	Counts the number of characters in a String
UPPERCASE	UPPERCASE(sally) (= SALLY)	Converts the whole String to uppercase
POS	POS('#', 'Sally#18') (=6)	Finds the position of a substring in a String
COPY	COPY('Frederick', 1, 3) (= 'Fre')	Copies 3 characters from the existing String from index 1
DELETE	DELETE('Fredericko',5,6) (= 'Fred')	Deletes 6 characters from the existing String from index 5
TRIM	TRIM (' spaces ') (= 'spaces')	Cuts off white space before and after the actual characters in the String

### Mathematical Methods:

DIV	10 DIV 5 (= 2)	Divide integers to get an integer answer
MOD	10 MOD 5 (= 0)	Remainder after dividing
INC	INC(2) (= 3)	Adds 1 onto the existing number
DEC	DEC(2) (= 1)	Subtracts 1 from the existing number
TRUNC	TRUNC(8.7) (= 8)	Cuts off the decimal part and leaves the whole number
ROUND	ROUND(8.7) (= 9)	Rounds off the existing number
FRAC	FRAC(8.7) (= 7)	Cuts off the whole number and returns the decimal part
SQR	SQR(4) (= 16)	Squares the number
SQRT	SQRT(16) (= 4)	Finds the square root of the number
ABS	ABS (-4) (= 4)	Ensures that the number is positive in all cases
POWER	POWER(2,3) (= 8)	Raises the 1st number to the power of the 2nd number

### Procedures:

#### Declaring:

```
procedure blablabla(sIn: string; var sOut: string);
```

```
    sOut := sIn;
```

```
end;
```

#### Calling:

```
blablabla (sIn, sOut);
```

## **Functions:**

### **Declaring:**

```
function getString(sAnyString : string) : String;
```

```
var
```

```
    sTheoreticalString : string;
```

```
begin
```

```
    sTheoreticalString := sAnyString
```

```
    Result := sTheoreticalString;
```

```
end;
```

### **calling:**

```
sSRealtr := getString(sAnyString);
```

### **Dynamic objects:**

btnTemp: TButton; //step 1 - Declare your global object

procedure TForm1.StaticButton1Click(Sender: TObject);

    //step 2 - create your dynamic button

    btnTemp := TButton.Create(Form1);

    // Step 3 - Set properties of your object

    btnTemp.Caption := 'Say hello';

    with btnTemp do

        Height := StaticButton1.Height; // did this so that the objects  
        could be placed in relation to the other

        Width := StaticButton1.Width;

        Top := StaticButton1.Top + StaticButton1.Height;

        Left := StaticButton1.Left + StaticButton1.Width;

        Parent := Form1;

    end;

    //Step 5 - assign your methods to your object events

    btnTemp.OnClick := btnTempwhenClicked;

end;

//Step 4 - create procedure for your methods

procedure TForm1.btnTempwhenClicked(Sender: TObject);

begin

    showmessage('Hello!');

end;

More advanced:

for iLoop := 1 to 9 do

    arrBtnNumbers[iLoop] := TButton.Create(Form1);

    with arrBtnNumbers[iLoop] do

        Parent := Form1;

        Caption := '+' + inttostr(iLoop);

        width := 75;

        height := 25;

        left := 8;

        if iLoop = 1 then

            top := StaticBtnReset.height + StaticBtnReset.top + 1

        else

            top := arrBtnNumbers[iLoop - 1].height +  
                arrBtnNumbers[iLoop - 1].top + 1;

        onClick := NumberClick;

    end;

end;

procedure TForm1.NumberClick(Sender: TObject);

begin

    iSum := iSum + strtoint((Sender as TButton).Caption[2]);

    lblSum.Caption := inttostr(iSum);

end;

## **Object orientated programming:**

### **Separate unit:**

TMatricDance = class // data type

private

fBoy: string;

fGirl: string;

public

constructor create; overload; // always create

constructor create(sB, sG: string); overload;

//mutators

procedure setBoyName(sB: string); // always set

procedure setGirlName(sG: string);

// accessors

function getBoyName: string;

function getGirlName: string; // always get

// auxillary

function toString: string;

### **primary unit:**

var

Form1: TForm1;

couple: TMatricDance;

constructing in primary unit:

```
procedure TForm1.Button3Click(Sender: TObject);  
  
var  
  
    sBoy: string;  
  
    sGirl: string;  
  
begin  
  
    sBoy := inputbox('', 'Boy's name', '');  
  
    sGirl := inputbox('', 'Girl's name', '');  
  
    couple := TMatricDance.create(sBoy, sGirl);  
  
    RichEdit1.lines.add(couple2.toString);  
  
end;
```

Mutators:

```
procedure TMatricDance.setBoyName(sB: string);  
  
begin  
  
    fBoy := sB;  
  
end;
```

Accessors:

```
function TMatricDance.getBoyName: string;  
  
begin  
  
    result := fBoy;  
  
end;
```



### **Databases sql: refer to online resources for more sql stuff**

```
SELECT * FROM Customers;
SELECT [CustomerID] FROM Customers;
SELECT DISTINCT[CustomerID] FROM Customers;
SELECT TOP 5 CustomerName FROM Customers;
SELECT CustomerName, City FROM Customers WHERE City = London;
SELECT * FROM Customers ORDER BY CustomerID DESC;
SELECT COUNT([*]) AS NumRecords FROM Customers;
SELECT SupplierID, SUM([Price]) AS TotPoP FROM Products GROUP BY
SupplierID;
SELECT SupplierID, AVG([Price]) AS AvgPoP FROM Products GROUP BY
SupplierID;
SELECT SupplierID, MIN([Price]) AS TotPoP FROM Products GROUP BY
SupplierID;
SELECT SupplierID, FIRST([Price]) AS AvgPoP FROM Products GROUP BY
SupplierID;
SELECT SupplierID, AVG([Price]) AS AvgPoP FROM Products GROUP BY
SupplierID HAVING NOT SupplierID = 1;
INSERT INTO Products (ProductID, ProductName, SupplierID, CategoryID, Unit,
Price) VALUES (100, 'Gumbo Mix', 1, 2, '30 boxes', 22);
UPDATE Products SET SupplierID = 101 WHERE SupplierID = 1;
DELETE FROM Products WHERE SupplierID = 101;
SELECT Customers.CustomerID, Orders.OrderID FROM Customers,
Orders WHERE Orders. CustomerID = Orders. CustomerID;
SELECT SupplierID FROM Products Union SELECT CustomerID FROM
Customers;
```