# Creating your first file

### *Getting started*

The following PHP will produce the most basic example with mPDF.

Include the main file containing the mpdf class:

```
include('../mpdf.php');
```

Create an instance of the class:

```
$mpdf=new mPDF();
```

Write some HTML code:

```
$mpdf->WriteHTML('<p>Hallo World</p>');
```

Output a PDF file:

```
$mpdf->Output();
exit;
```

### *Notes*

> **Note**: **_MPDF_PATH** was required to be defined explicitly prior to mPDF 4.0 e.g.
> `define('_MPDF_PATH','../')`. From mPDF 4.0 the value should be automatically defined by
> the script itself when including the mpdf.php file.

For details and options for the Output command, see Output()

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