preparePreText()

(htmltoolkit >= 2.4)

PreparePreText – Prepares text to be output ignoring the HTML markup

Description

> string **preparePreText** (string *$text* [, string *$formfeed*])

Prepares text to be output ignoring the HTML markup. This is useful to output a large text file (e.g. a PHP script file) using WriteHTML(). This will surround the text with <pre> tags whilst preventing <pre>tags included in the text from being parsed. It also allows use of a text string marker (*formfeed*) to be replaced by a formfeed in the output file.

> **Note:** Prior to mPDF 5.1 you should use the *$mode* parameter of WriteHTML() as '2' to avoid parsing the text for style tags. See example below.

Parameters

text

> This parameter specifies the text string to prepare.

formfeed

> *formfeed* specifies the string to be replaced by a formfeed in the output file.
> **DEFAULT**: "//FF//"

Return value

Returns a text string.

Changelog

Version	Description
2.4	Function was added.

Examples

Example #1

```php
<?php

include("../mpdf.php");

$text = file_get_contents('scriptfile.php');
$text = preparePreText($text);

// Default spaces/tab in mPDF is 8 as specified by HTML spec.
// Notepad and other text editors use a value of 6
$mpdf->tabSpaces = 6;

// If 'scriptfile.php' is iso-8859-1 or win-1252 encoded, use
$mpdf->allow_charset_conversion=true;
$mpdf->charset_in='windows-1252';

$mpdf->WriteHTML($text, 2);

$mpdf->Output();
exit;

?>
```

See Also

- WriteHTML() - Write HTML code to a PDF file
- tabSpaces - Specifies the number of spaces to substitue for a **TAB** character

- allow_charset_conversion - Parse the character set of any input text from the HTML, or allow setting of the value *charset_in*
- charset_in - Define the character encoding of any input HTML

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