

**NAME**

what – identify files

**SYNOPSIS**

**what** name ...

**DESCRIPTION**

*What* searches the given files for all occurrences of the pattern which *get(I)* substitutes for %Z% (this is @(#) at this printing) and prints out what follows until the first ‘”’, ‘>’, newline, or null character. For example, if the C program in file ‘f.c’ contains

```
char iden[] "@(#)identification information";
```

and f.c is compiled to yield ‘f.o’ and ‘a.out’, then the command

```
what f.c f.o a.out
```

will print

```
f.c:      identification information
f.o:      identification information
a.out:    identification information
```

*What* is intended to be used in conjunction with the SCCS command *get(I)*, which automatically inserts identifying information, but it can also be used where the information is inserted manually.

**SEE ALSO**

*get(I)*, *help(I)*

**DIAGNOSTICS**

Use *help(I)* for explanations.

**BUGS**

It’s possible that an unintended occurrence of the pattern @(#) could be found just by chance, but this causes no harm in nearly all cases.