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Suppose you have the following html select statement



```
<select>
<option value="Newest">Newest</option>
<option value="Best Sellers">Best Sellers
<option value="Alphabetical">Alphabetical
</select>
```



Now I want to run a php if elseif statement that says,

```
if (option value = newest) {
// Run this
elseif ( option value = best sellers ) {
// Run this
```

etc. But I don't know what to put inside the if elseif statement. In other words instead of 'option value = newest' (which I know is incorrect), what can I put there so that if newest is selected it will execute the if statement, or if best sellers is selected it will execute the elseif statement?



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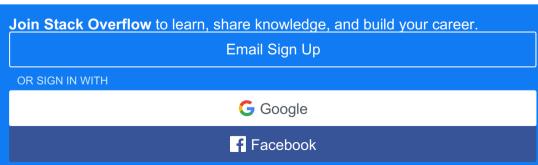
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Give name to your select.

```
<select name="selectedValue">
<option value="Newest">Newest</option>
<option value="Best Sellers">Best Sellers</option>
<option value="Alphabetical">Alphabetical</option>
</select>
```







in your PHP, you will do:

```
$_POST['selectedValue'];
```

if I were you, I would prefer aswitch-case incase, there are more than 2 conditions.

Example:

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First put a name on your select:

```
<select name="demo">
<option value="Newest">Newest</option>
<option value="Best Sellers">Best Sellers</option>
<option value="Alphabetical">Alphabetical</option>
</select>
```

Then

```
if ($_POST['demo'] === 'Newest') {
// Run this
}
elseif ( $_POST['demo'] === 'Best Sellers' ) {
// Run this
}
```

or

```
switch($_POST['demo']){
   case 'Newest':
        //some code;
        break;
   case 'Best Sellers':
        //some code;
        break;
   default:
        //some code if the post doesn't match anything
}
```

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String indizes into arrays are case sensitive. - Oswald Mar 12 '13 at 9:39

Fair point inattention mistake! (usually I don't put any uppercase characters or any space into the value to avoid this type of mistake) – darkheir Mar 12 '13 at 9:41 🖋

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The <select> should have a name attribute, e.g <select name="sortorder"> . You could then say

```
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```
if ($_REQUEST['sortorder'] == 'Newest') {
   // TODO sortorder 'Newest' was selected.
}
```

If you know whether the form data is comming in via HTTP GET or HTTP POST, you could use \$_GET['sortorder'] or \$_POST['sortorder'] respectively.

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Oswald

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I think the read-friendly version would be:

```
switch($option){
   case 'Newest':
       runNewestFunction();
break;
case 'Best Sellers':
       runBestSellersFunction();
break;
case 'Alphabetical':
       runAlphabeticalFunction();
break;
defaut:
    runValidationRequest();
```

also, please do add the name attribute <select name="option">

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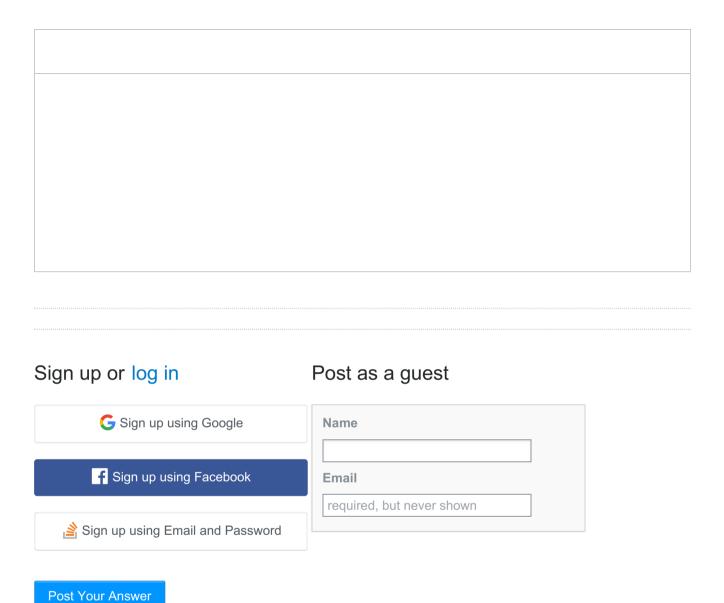
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```
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```

```
<?php
if ($_POST['com'] == 1 && $_POST['dept_1'] == 'permanent' )
  $sel_id= "select MAX(emp_id) from employee ";
  $sel_exeid=mysql_query($sel_id) or die(mysql_error());;
  while($empid= mysql_fetch_array($sel_exeid))
      $result = $empid[0];
      echo $result;
?>
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