<http://mywiki.wooledge.org/BashFAQ/073>

<http://wiki.bash-hackers.org/syntax/pe>

# Parameter

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| One core functionality of Bash is to manage **parameters**. A parameter is an entity that stores values and is referenced by a **name**, a **number** or a **special symbol**.   * - *parameters referenced by a name* are called **variables** (this also applies to [arrays](http://wiki.bash-hackers.org/syntax/arrays)) * - *parameters referenced by a number* are called **positional parameters** and *reflect the arguments given to a shell* * - *parameters referenced by a****special symbol***are **auto-set parameters** that have different special meanings and uses |