

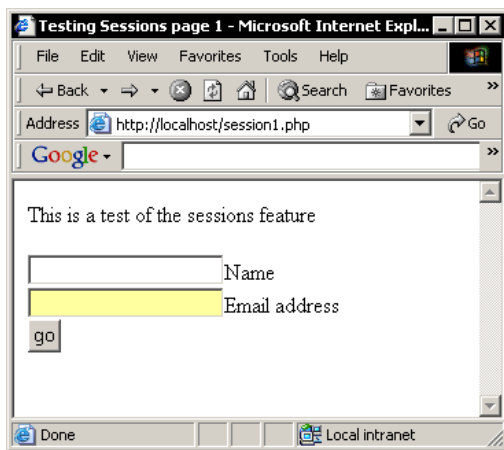
Using Sessions to pass information from one form to another page R.B.

(modified from Chapt 9 PHP & MySQL for Dummies, page 245)

1. Create a file below and call it **session1.php**

```
<?php
session_start(); // must come before any other information is sent
session_register('session_var'); // register a variable you want to use in your session
?>
<html>
<head>
<title>Testing Sessions page 1</title>
</head>
<body>
<?php
$session_var = "using sessions to pass information from page to page";
echo "This is a test of the sessions feature";
echo "<form method=post action=sessiontest.php>
    <input type=text name=form_var value=>Name<br>
    <input type=text name=email value=>Email address<br>
    <input type=submit value=go></form>";
?>

</body>
</html>
```



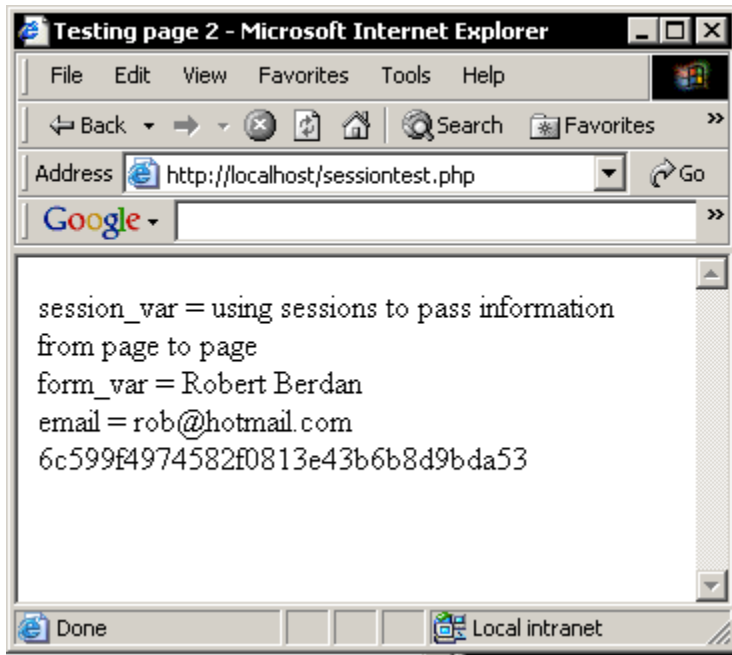
2. Create a second file name it **sessiontest.php**

```
<?php
session_start();
?>
<html>
<head>
<title>Testing page 2</title>
</head>
<body>
<?php
echo "session_var = $session_var <br>";
```

```

echo "form_var = $form_var <br>"; // data from the previous form
echo "email = $email <br>"; // data from previous form
echo "$PHPSESSID"; // outputs the session id number
?>
</body>
</html>

```



Comments:

The varname is the name of the variable you want to make a session variable, do not use \$ sign, you may include as many variables as you like:
e.g. `session_register('city', 'state', 'zip')`

```
session_register('session_var');
```

after this statement, the variables are resitred as session variables, but are not given a value.

To store a specific value you would go

```

session_register('state');
$state= "California";

```

to stop storing a variable

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session_unregister('varname'); or you can unregister all the variables with session_unset();
```

Note: Turned cookies off and ran script on localhost server and the script worked fine.