



php for WORDPRESS

Speaking the language of WordPress

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[https://github.com/sketchings/
wp-random-quote-playground](https://github.com/sketchings/wp-random-quote-playground)



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Basics of PHP

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Cany Arrays

```
$mm1 = [  
    'orange', 'orange', 'orange', 'red', 'yellow', 'yellow',  
    'yellow', 'green', 'green', 'green', 'blue', 'blue'  
];  
  
var_dump(array_count_values($mm1));  
  
$mm2 = [  
    'yellow', 'green', 'green', 'green', 'blue', 'blue',  
    'orange', 'orange', 'orange', 'red', 'red', 'blue'  
];  
  
$bag = [$mm1, $mm2];
```

Variables: scalar (boolean, integer, float, string)

```
$workday = false; // boolean
```

```
$hour = 6; // integer
```

```
$price = 15.25; // float
```

```
$quote = "Your future is created by what you do today,"  
. " not tomorrow."; // string
```

```
$quote .= " – Robert Kiyosaki"; // concatenation
```

```
define( 'FORCE_SSL_ADMIN', true); // doesn't change
```

```
<?php
```

```
/*
```

Multi Line Comment

Used for documentation

```
*/
```

```
$total = (6*3) + (12/4) - 2.5;// math 18.5
```

```
echo "This will display $total value on page.");// 18.5
```

```
echo 'This will display $total name on page.';// $total
```

```
var_dump($total, FORCE_SSL_ADMIN);
```

```
// float(18.5) bool(true)
```

```
// leave off the closing tag if ending a file
```

```
?>
```


Variables: array

```
$motivation = array(  
    "You don't have to be great to start...",  
    "Set a goal that makes you want to jump...",  
    "You'll never change your life until...",  
    "This is not just another day, this is...",  
    "Leave your ego at the door every morning...",  
);  
$motivation[] = $quote;  
echo $motivation[0];
```

Functions

The background image is a landscape photograph of a city and a mountain, overlaid with a semi-transparent teal color. The city, likely Seattle, is visible in the foreground with various buildings and a bridge. In the background, a large, snow-covered mountain (Mount Rainier) rises above the city. The word "Functions" is written in white, sans-serif font on the left side of the image.

Functions: Build-In

string [substr](#) – Return part of a string

int [strlen](#) – Get string length

string [trim](#) – Strip whitespace (or other characters) from the beginning and end of a string (also [rtrim](#) & [ltrim](#))

int [strpos](#) – Find position of first occurrence of substring in string

string [strtolower](#) – Make a string lowercase (also [strtoupper](#))

mixed [str_replace](#) – Replace all occurrences of the search string with the replacement string

Array Functions

array [array_merge](#) – Merge one or more arrays

bool [in_array](#) – Checks if a value exists in an array

array [array_keys](#) – Return all the keys (or subset) of an array

Functions: User Defined

```
function sketchings_quotes ( $category = null )
{
    $motivation = array(...);
    $encouragement = array(...);

    if ( in_array(strtolower(trim($category)),
        array('motivation', 'motivated', 'motivate')) ) {
        return $motivation;
    }
    if ( in_array(strtolower(trim($category)),
        array('encouragement', 'encourage', 'encouraging')) ) {
        return $encouragement;
    }
    return array_merge($motivation, $encouragement);
}
```

Conditionals

```
function sketchings_random_quote ( $category = null )
{
    $hour = date('H');
    if (!empty($category)) {
        $quotes = sketchings_quotes($category);
    } elseif ($hour > 4 && $hour < 17) {
        $quotes = sketchings_quotes('motivation');
    } else {
        $quotes = sketchings_quotes('encouragement');
    }
    $index = array_rand($quotes);
    return $quotes[$index];
}
```

Loops

for – loops through a block of code a specified number of times.

while – loops through a block of code if and as long as a specified condition is true.

do...while – loops through a block of code once, and then repeats the loop as long as a special condition is true.

foreach – loops through a block of code for each element in an array.

Loops: foreach

```
function sketchings_tooltip($content) {  
    $search = array(' motivation', ' encouragement', ' ...');  
    foreach ($search as $word) {  
        $content = str_ireplace(  
            $word,  
            ' <span class="tooltip">' . $word  
            . ' <span class="tooltiptext">  
            . sketchings_random_quote($word)  
            . ' </span></span>',  
            $content  
        );  
    }  
    return $content;  
}
```

Build a Plugin

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Minimum Viable Plugin (MVP)

File: sketchings-random-quote-playground.php

```
<?php
```

```
/*
```

Plugin Name: WP Random Quote Playground

```
*/
```

Interacting with WordPress

Themes Look and feel of the site

Plugins Added functionality of the site

Hooks Themes and Plugins “Hook” into Core using “Actions” and “Filters”

Actions Add or Remove Functionality

Filters Change Data

Actions: Add or Remove Functionality

```
function sketchings_random_quote_styles() {  
    wp_register_style(  
        'quote-styles',  
        plugin_dir_url( __FILE__ ) . 'css/styles.css'  
    );  
    wp_enqueue_style( 'quote-styles' );  
}  
add_action( 'wp_head', 'sketchings_random_quote_styles' );
```

Filters: Change Data

```
function sketchings_tooltip($content) {
    $search = array(' motivation', ' encouragement', ' ...');
    foreach ($search as $word) {
        $content = str_ireplace(
            $word,
            ' <span class="tooltip">' . trim($word)
            . ' <span class="tooltiptext">'
            . sketchings_random_quote($word)
            . ' </span></span>',
            $content
        );
    }
    return $content;
}
add_filter ('the_content', 'sketchings_tooltip');
```

Shortcode: Add to post or widgets

```
function sketchings_random_quote_shortcode( $atts ) {  
    return sketchings_random_quote( $atts['category'] );  
}  
  
add_shortcode(  
    'random-quote',  
    'Sketchings_random_quote_shortcode'  
);  
  
// to use in page or widget  
[random-quote category = "motivation"]
```

Resources

PHP

DOCS: [php.net](https://www.php.net)

[phptherightway.com](https://www.phptherightway.com)

[teamtreehouse.com](https://www.teamtreehouse.com)

Local Server: **MAMP**

WordPress

DOCS: codex.wordpress.org

wpmudev.org

wpshout.com

SmashingMagazine.com

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