

Level 1

# Getting Started

The Basics of PHP

#### What Will This Course Cover?

Here's what we'll go over in this course.

#### Level 1

Syntax Basics & Variables

#### Level 2

Simple Arrays & Associative Arrays

#### Level 3

**Operators & Comparison Statements** 

#### Level 4

**Looping Constructs** 



#### What Do You Need to Know?

Suggested prerequisites:



**Basic HTML & CSS** 

Front-end Foundations & Front-end Formations



### Why PHP, Why Now?

PHP is a server-side scripting language that has been around since 1997 and has grown into a modern and performant tool for building websites and applications.

Allows execution of code inline with our HTML markup

Simple reading and processing of files and images

Request and response processing with forms

High performance, scales easily

Let's get started!



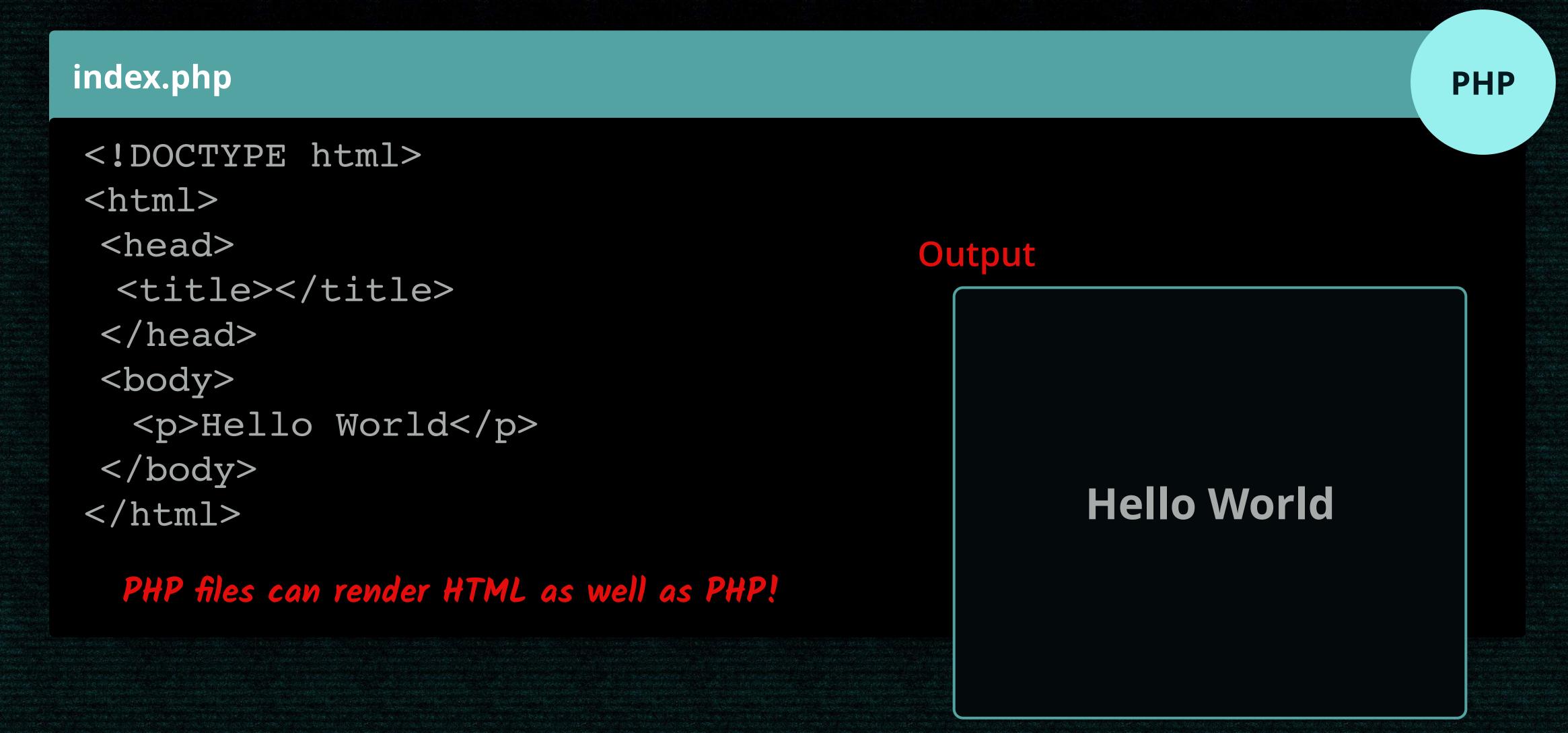
# Starting From Scratch

Example of a simple HTML file:

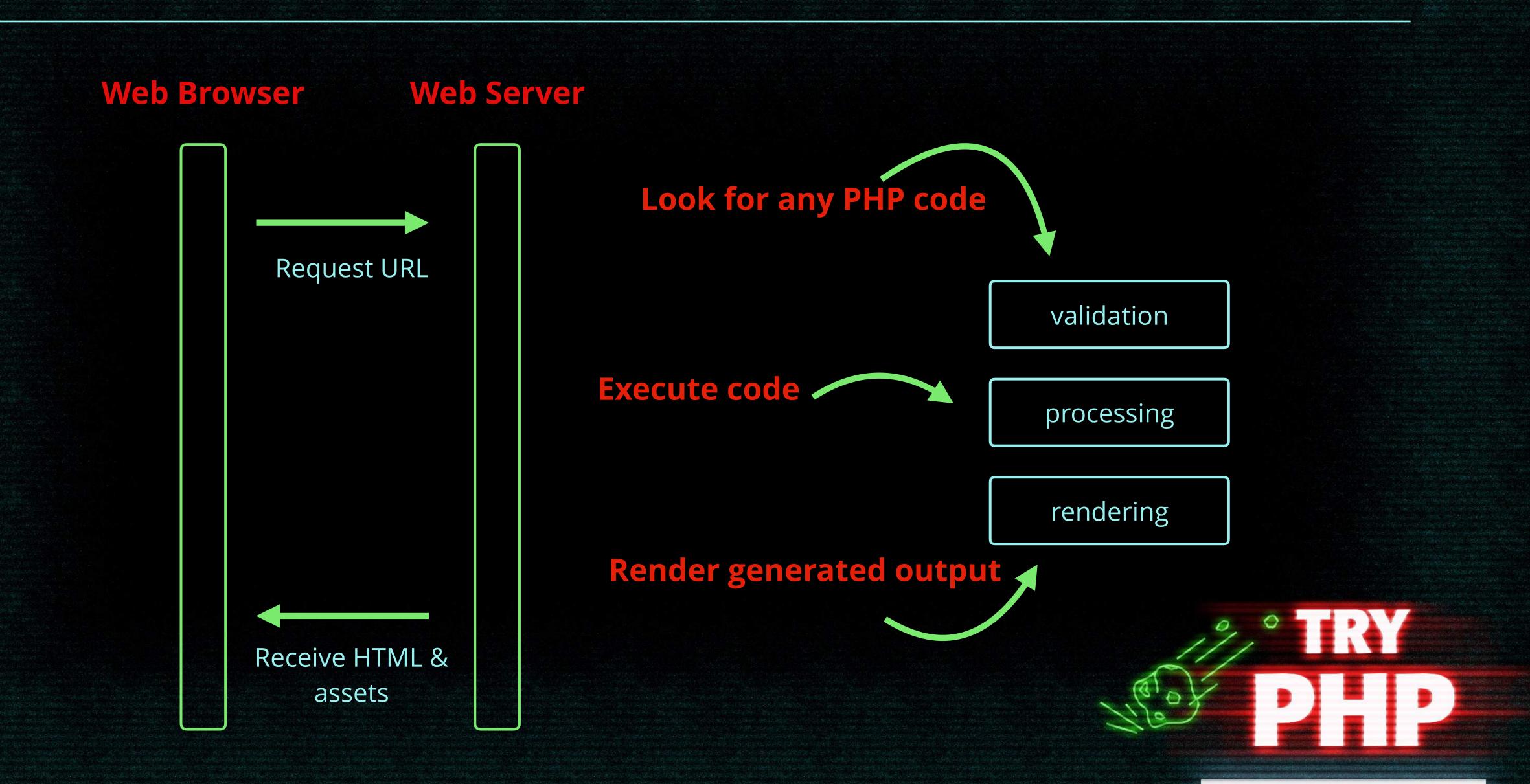
```
index.html
                                                              HTML
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
 <head>
                                      Output
 <title></title>
 </head>
 <body>
  Hello World
 </body>
                                              Hello World
</html>
```

# Renaming Our File

Let's change the file from .html to .php so it can be processed by the server.



#### What Is Different Now?



# Creating a Code Block

index.php **PHP** <!DOCTYPE html> <html> <head> Output <title></title> </head> <body> <?php ?> </body> </html> PHP code is written between these symbols Let's write some code that will output something so we can see it here!

#### Our First PHP Code

index.php **PHP** <!DOCTYPE html> PHP statements end in <html> semicolons <head> Output <title></title> </head> <body> <?php echo 'Hello World'; ?> </body> Hello World </html> echo outputs whatever comes after it

# Variables and Data Subject to Change

index.php **PHP** <!DOCTYPE html> <html> <head> Output <title></title> </head> <body> <?php \$name = 'Hoba'; ?> </body> </html> Variables in PHP always start with a \$

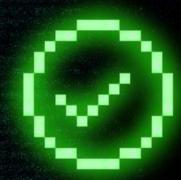
Notice that the data in the variable isn't printed out automatically

### Outputting Data That's Stored in Variables

index.php **PHP** <!DOCTYPE html> <html> <head> Output <title></title> </head> - Echoing the variable outputs <body> the data inside of it > <?php Hoba \$name = 'Hoba'; echo \$name; </body> </html>

# Variable Naming Conventions

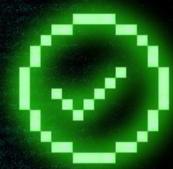
Variables must always begin with a \$ followed by a letter.



\$name



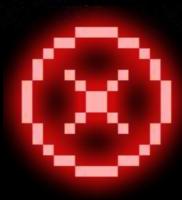
\$\_age



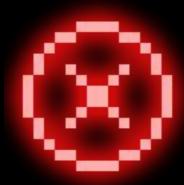
\$full\_name



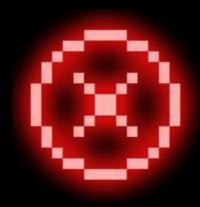
\$war\_1984



\$10\_best\_targets



\$so~very-invalid



stalemate



### PHP Code Can Go Anywhere

index.php **PHP** <!DOCTYPE html> <html>

<head>

<title></title>

</head>

<body>

>

<?php echo \$name; ?>

</body>

</html>

Output

Hoba

### Variables Can Be Used in Multiple Locations

index.php **PHP** <?php \$name = 'Hoba'; ?> <!DOCTYPE html> <html> Output <head> <title><?php echo \$name; ?></title> </head> <body> Same variable used twice > Hoba <?php echo \$name; ?> </body> </html>

#### What Have We Learned?

Let's have a quick review.

- Syntax basics
- Code blocks
- PHP request and response server workflow
- Variables and naming rules
- The echo statement





Level 1

# Getting Started

Strings & Data

index.php

```
<?php $name = 'Hoba'; ?>
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
 <title><?php echo $name; ?></title>
</head>
<body>
 >
 <?php echo $name; ?>
 </body>
</html>
```

### Combining More Data With Variables

```
index.php
                                                               PHP
<?php $name = 'Hoba'; ?>
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
                                           Output
 <head>
 <title><?php echo $name; ?></title>
 </head>
 <body>
  >
                                               Meteor Name: Hoba
  <?php echo 'Meteor Name: ' . $name; ?>
  </body>
</html>
         Notice the space?
```

The dot means "combine these two things"

### String Evaluation

index.php

<?php \$name = 'Hoba'; ?>

```
<!DOCTYPE html>
<html>
<head>
 <title><?php echo $name; ?></title>
</head>
<body>
 >
  <?php echo "Meteor Name: $name"; ?>
 </body>
            Variables will print inside strings
</html>
            as long as you wrap them in
            double quotes
```

#### Output

**Meteor Name: Hoba** 

### PHP Data Types: Strings

To define a string, we will surround our information in single quotes during assignment.

```
<?php
$size = 'epic';
$weight = '600 Million Grams';</pre>
```

#### PHP Data Types: Integers

An integer is a number, either positive or negative, without a decimal point.

```
<?php

$discovered = 1920;

$speed = 720;</pre>
```

### PHP Data Types: Floats

Floating point numbers will be any number that decimal point can "float."

```
<?php
$width = 8.9;
$latitude = -19.5833333333;</pre>
```

## PHP Data Types: Booleans

Boolean is a data type that can contain one of two values: a true or a false.

```
<?php
$largest = true;
$destroyed = false;</pre>
```

### PHP Data Types: The Results

```
<body>
                                Output
<?php
echo "$size";
                                          epic
echo "$weight";
                                    600 Million Grams
echo "$discovered";
echo "$speed";
                                          1920
echo "$width";
                                          720
echo "$latitude";
                                          8.9
echo "$largest";
echo "$destroyed";
                                     -19.5833333333
</body>
 If you echo a false boolean, nothing will appear
```

#### What Have We Learned?

Let's have a quick review.

- String concatenation
- Strings
- Integers
- Floating point numbers or floats
- Booleans





Level 2 Arrays Simple & Associative Arrays

## Why an Array?

Variables alone will not scale. We need a better way to keep our data.

#### index.php

```
<?php
// We could keep going with variables
$meteor_1 = 'Hoba';
$meteor_2 = 'Cape York';
$meteor_3 = 'Campo del Cielo';
$meteor_4 = 'Canyon Diablo';
...
$meteor_42 = 'Prefect';</pre>
```

## Arrays, a Map

An array maps values to keys, like an address for setting and recalling.

Key	Value
0	Hoba
	Cape York
2	Campo del Cielo
3	Canyon Diablo

### Creating an Array

Let's create an empty array to hold our meteorite data.

#### index.php

### Array With Values

We can create an array with one or more key value pairs using the same function.

```
index.php
<?php
// Create our array with a single value
$meteors = array('Hoba');
                                        Output
$meteors = ['Hoba'];
// Create array with multiple values
$meteors = array('Hoba','Cape York');
                                          Array
// Echo the array
echo($meteors);
   echo will not show the data within the array
```

### Array With Values

We can create an array with one or more key value pairs using the same function.

#### index.php

```
<?php
// Create our array with a single value
$meteors = array('Hoba');
                                       Output
$meteors = ['Hoba'];
// Create array with multiple values
                                         Array (
$meteors = array('Hoba','Cape York');
                                         [0] => Hoba
// Let's take a look at our array
                                         [1] => Cape York
with an internal function
print r($meteors);
         print_r will echo human-readable output
```

### Adding More Data to Our Array

We can append new values by placing square brackets after the array variable.

```
index.php
<?php
// Let's add two more items
$meteors[] = 'Campo del Cielo';
$meteors[] = 'Canyon Diablo';
print r($meteors);
 Empty brackets after the variable name
 indicate a new item in the array
```

#### Output

```
Array (
[0] => Hoba
[1] => Cape York
[2] => Campo del Cielo
[3] => Canyon Diablo
)
```

#### How Can We Access This Data?

Placing the key, or index, inside the square bracket gives us access to the value.

```
index.php
<?php
$meteors = array(
                                           Output
    'Hoba',
    'Cape York',
    'Campo del Cielo',
    'Canyon Diablo'
                                                       Hoba
echo $meteors[0];
         Remember: Array keys are 0 indexed
```

#### How Can We Access This Data?

Placing the key, or index, inside the square bracket gives us access to the value.

#### index.php

```
<?php
$meteors = array(
   'Hoba',
   'Cape York',
   'Campo del Cielo',
   'Canyon Diablo'
echo $meteors[0];
echo $meteors[1];
echo $meteors[3];
```

#### Output

Hoba
Cape York
Canyon Diablo

## Modifying an Existing Item

Placing the key inside also allows us access to modify the value.

```
index.php
<?php
                            Choose your key to modify
                                           Output
$meteors[0] = 'Los Angeles';
print r($meteors);
                                             Array (
                                             [0] => Los Angeles
                                             [1] => Cape York
          Then modify the value
                                             [2] => Campo del Cielo
                                             [3] => Canyon Diablo
```

# Storing Even More Data in an Array

What if we want to store more information about the meteorite?

Name	Weight	Location	Year
Hoba	60000000	-19.58333, 17.91667	1920
Cape York	5820000	76.13333, -64.93333	1818
Campo del Cielo	5000000	-27.46667, -60.58333	1576
Canyon Diablo	3000000	35.05, -111.03333	1891

### Associative vs. Index Arrays

Associative arrays allow us to use strings as the key.

```
index.php
```

```
This array operator associates keys with values
<?php
   Create an associative array
$meteors = array(
     'Hoba' => 600000000,
'Cape York' => 58200000,
         The name is our key
print r($meteors);
```

#### Output

```
Array (
[Hoba] => 600000000
[Cape York] =>
58200000
```

# Accessing an Item in the Array

Instead of the numerical index, we now use the string key for access.

```
index.php
<?php
// Access our data.
                                       Output
echo $meteors['Hoba'];
echo $meteors['Cape York'];
                                               60000000
                                                58020000
```

### Appending a New Item

Using a string key, we can add a new item as well.

# index.php

```
<?php
// Add new meteorite data.
$meteors['Canyon Diablo'] = 30000000;
                                          Output
print r($meteors);
                                            Array(
Place the key inside of square brackets
                                             [Canyon Diablo]
                                               => 30000000
                  Then set your value
```

#### What Have We Learned?

Let's have a quick review.

- Numerical indexed arrays
- Associative arrays
- Array creation with values
- Modification of array data





Level 2

# Arrays

Multidimensional Arrays & Array Functions

# An Array of Games

Arrays can help us organize data.

```
index.php
<?php
                                  sorry
$games = array(
    'sorry',
                                           blackjack
    'blackjack',
    'poker',
                                  poker
    'life',
    'scrabble',
 );
                                               life
                                scrabble
```

# Groups of Games

How can we better organize our list of games?

sorry

blackjack

poker

life

scrabble



# Imagining Two Groups

Splitting our games into two groups can help us sort and recall the data.

Tabletop Games

Card Games

sorry

blackjack

life

poker

scrabble



#### index.php

```
<?php
$games = array(
    'tabletop' => 'sorry'
);
```

Tabletop Games

sorry

```
index.php

<?php
$games = array(
    'tabletop' => array()
);
Tabletop Games
```

#### index.php

```
<?php
$games = array(
    'tabletop' => array(
        'sorry',
        'life',
        'scrabble',
    ),
);
```

#### Tabletop Games

Sorry

Life

Scrabble

#### index.php

```
<?php
$games = array(
   'tabletop' => array(
      'sorry',
      'life',
      'scrabble',
   card' => array(
      'poker',
      'blackjack',
```

#### Tabletop Games

Sorry Life Scrabble

Card Games

Poker

Blackjack

## Array Inspection

If we print\_r our \$games array, you can see the multidimensional structure.

# <?php print\_r(\$games);</pre>

#### Output

```
Array(
 [tabletop] => Array(
   [0] => sorry
   [1] => life
   [2] => scrabble
 [card] => Array(
   [0] => poker
   [1] => blackjack
```



# Accessing Data

By using the array's key, we can see the array value.

```
index.php
<?php
print_r($games['tabletop']);
                                          Output
                                             Array (
                                             [0] => sorry
                                             [1] => life
                                             [2] => scrabble
```

### Accessing Data

By using the array's key, we can see the array value.

```
index.php
<?php
print_r($games['tabletop']);
                                        Output
print_r($games['card']);
                                           Array (
                                           [0] => poker
                                           [1] => blackjack
```

### Accessing Data

By using the array's key, we can see the array value.

```
index.php
<?php
print_r($games['tabletop']);
                                       Output
print r($games['card']);
echo $games['tabletop'][0];
                                                   sorry
```

## Modifying the Data

Instead of single item access, we can use the same methods to change a value.

```
index.php
<?php
$games['card'][0] = 'rummy';
                                      Output
print r($games['card']);
                                         Array
                                          [0] => rummy
                                          [1] => blackjack
```

### Array Functions: count

This function lets us count all the items in an array.

```
index.php
<?php
$people = array(
     'David',
                                         Output
     'Jennifer',
     'Falken',
     'Joshua',
echo count($people);
```

### Array Functions: implode

implode joins all elements of the array into a string.

```
index.php
    <?php
    $people = array(
         'David',
                                               Output
         'Jennifer',
         'Falken',
         'Joshua',
                                                     'David Jennifer
    echo implode('', $people);
                                                     Falken Joshua'
                           the array to combine
the character that separates
the combined array values
```

### Array Functions: shuffle

shuffle changes the array in place to a random order.

```
index.php
<?php
$people = array(
     'David',
                                      Output
     'Jennifer',
     'Falken',
     'Joshua',
                                            'Jennifer David
  Randomize the array.
                                            Joshua Falken'
shuffle($people);
echo implode('', $people);
```

### Array Functions: asort

asort will sort the array values, in place, in alphabetical order.

#### index.php

```
<?php
$people = array('David','Jennifer','Falken','Joshua');
// Sort the array alphabetically.
asort($people);
echo implode('', $people);
```

#### Output

'David Falken Jennifer Joshua'

#### What Have We Learned?

Let's have a quick review.

- Multidimensional array basics
- Some simple array functions
  - shuffle
  - implode
  - asort
  - count





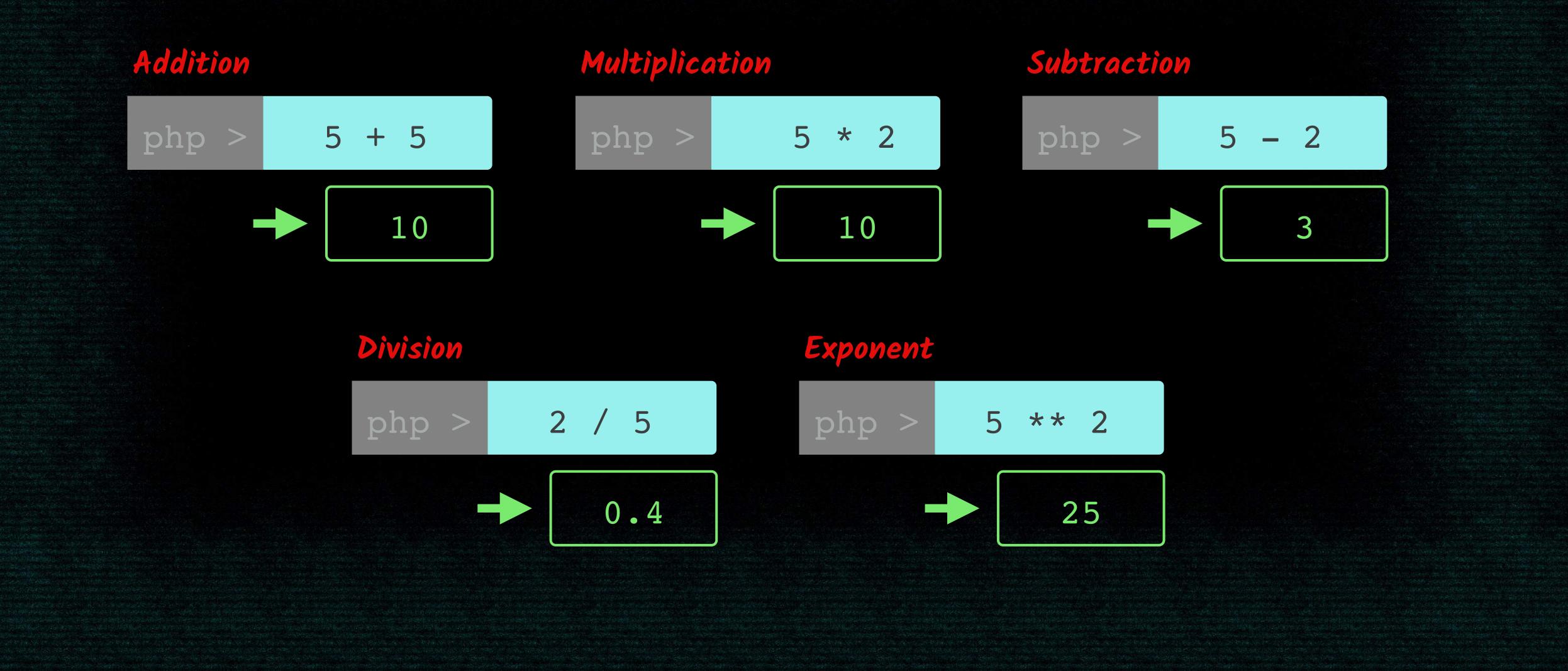
Level 3

# Conditionals & Operators

What If? Now What? What Else?

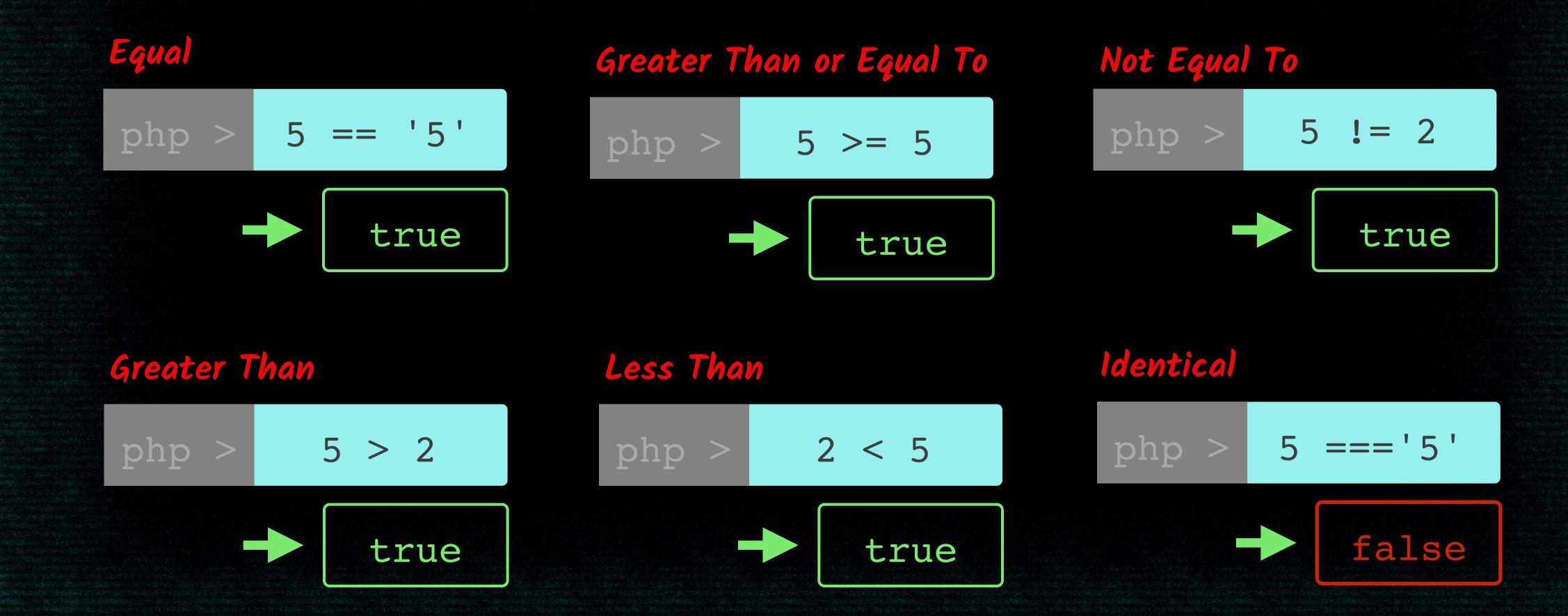
# Arithmetic Operators

These are some of the arithmetic operators available to us in PHP.



### Comparison Operators

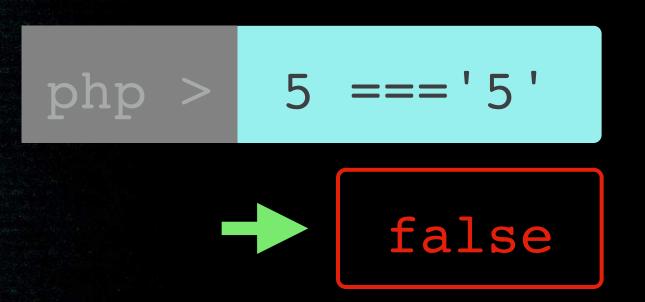
These are some of the comparison operators available to us in PHP.



# Identical Comparison Operator

To be identical, the items must be of the same type and value.

#### Identical



```
5  // is integer data
'5'  // is string data
```

#### Control Flow

The if statement allows us to execute code based on a condition.

### 

#### Default Condition

The else statement allows us to run code when the if returns false.

#### index.php

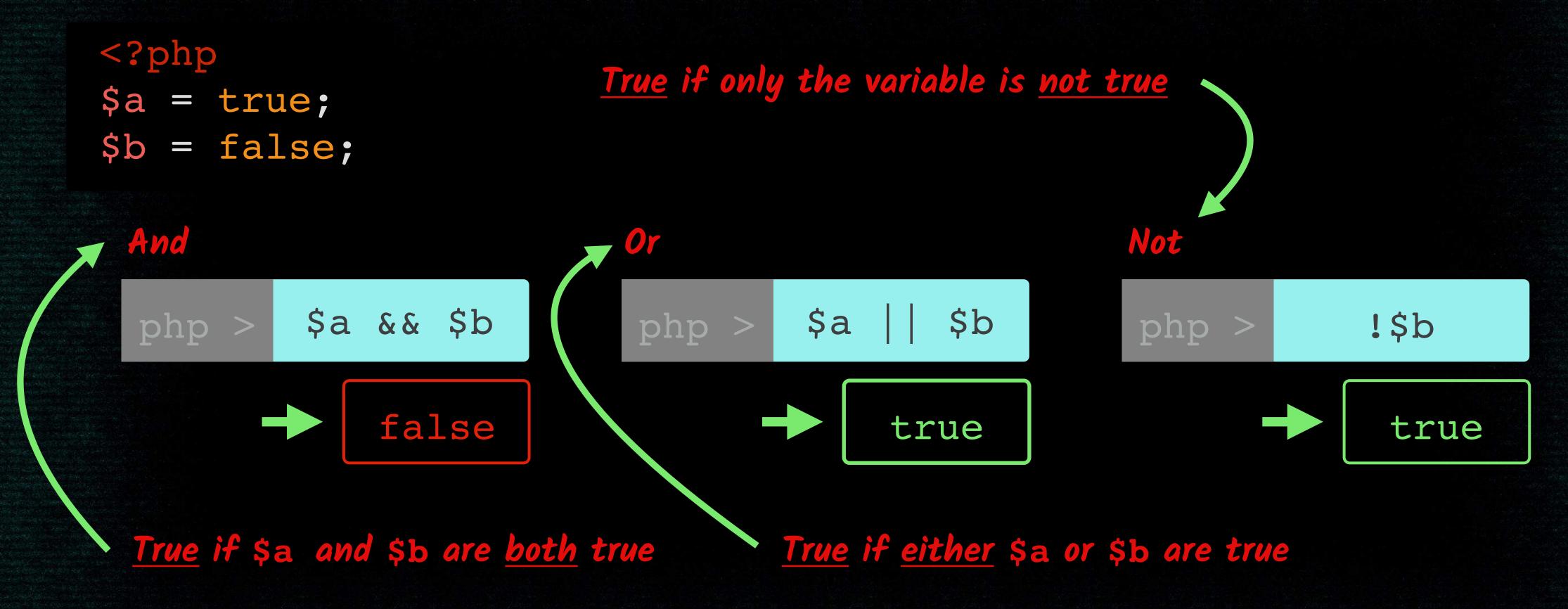
```
<?php
$year = 2016;

if ($year >= 2001) {
    echo "Hal can't do that for you, and he is sorry.";
} else {
    echo "You still have time. Destroy the machines!";
}

Run this code if our Test is false
```

## Logical Operators

These are some of the logical operators available to us in PHP.



## Testing Multiple Conditions

Using the logical operator and, we can test to see if multiple conditions are true.

# index.php <?php</pre>

```
if ($year >= 1994 && $year < 2001){
  echo "Skynet is growing stronger every day.";
} else {
  echo "You still have time. Destroy the machines!";
}</pre>
```

### Multiple if Statements

The elseif statement allows us to have multiple conditions.

#### index.php

```
<?php
year = 1984;
if ($year >= 2001) {
   echo "Hal can't do that for you, and he is sorry.";
} elseif ($year >= 1984) {
   echo "Eurasia has fallen! Rejoice with Big Brother.";
} else {
   echo "You still have time. Destroy the machines!";
            Test this if the first condition is false
```

#### What Have We Learned?

Let's have a quick review.

- Comparison operators
- Arithmetic operators
- if, if-else, else comparisons
- Logical operators





Level 4

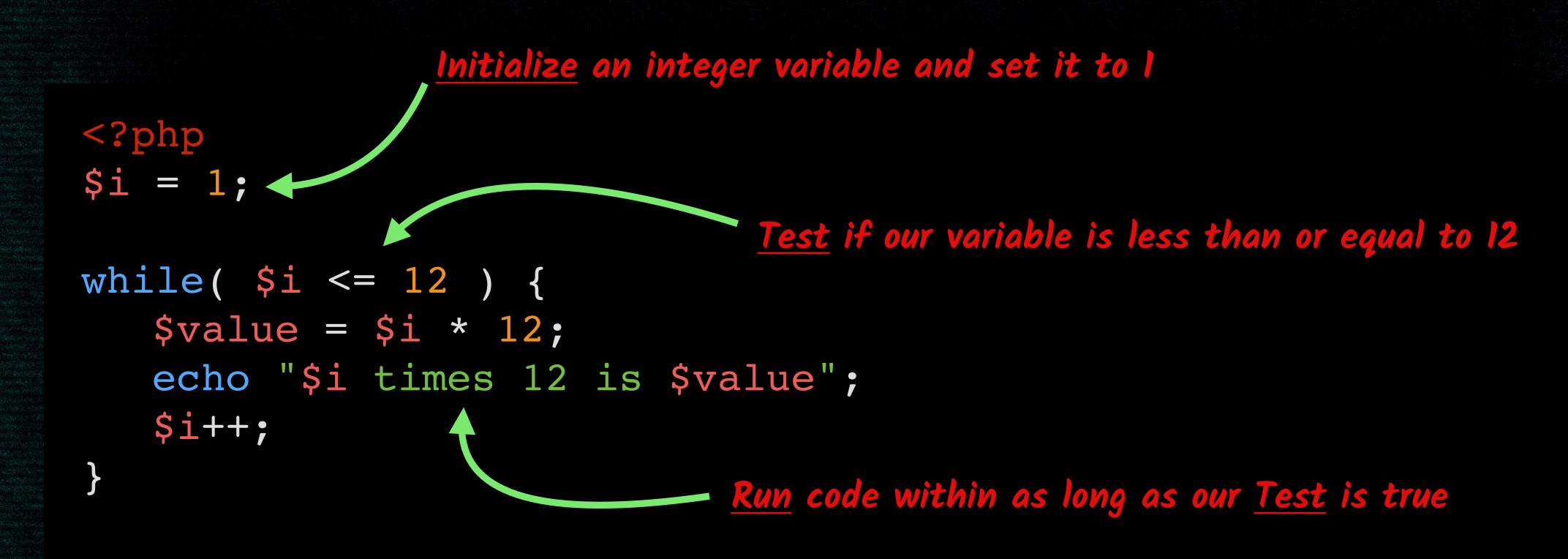
Cycle Through All the Data

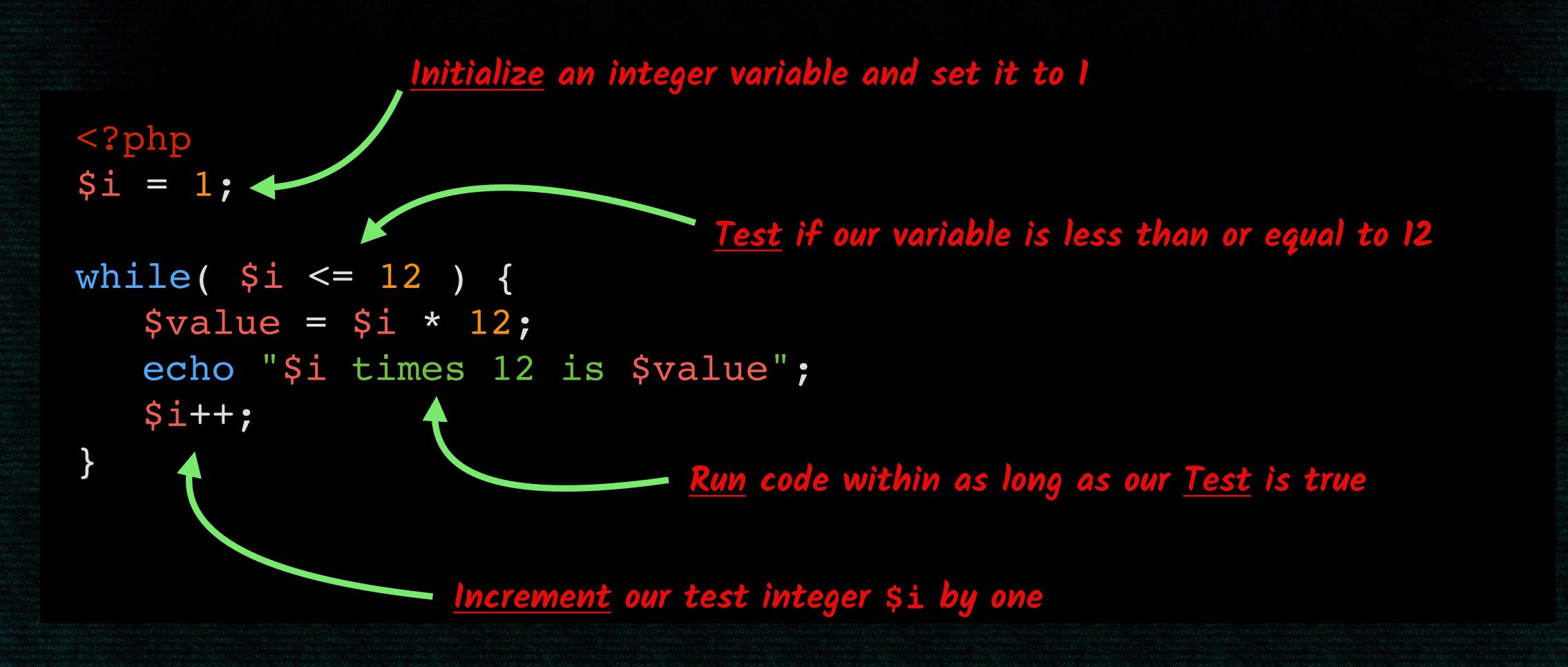
# Don't Repeat Yourself

The DRY (or "Don't Repeat Yourself") method helps us keep our code efficient.

```
<?php
                                  Assign the product of I and 12 to a variable.
   value = 1*12;
   echo "1 times 12 is $value";
   $value = 2*12;
   echo "2 times 12 is $value";
                                         echo our product
   value = 3*12;
   echo "3 times 12 is $value";
   value = 4*12;
   echo "4 times 12 is $value";
   value = 5*12;
   echo "5 times 12 is $value";
```

```
while( $i <= 12 ) {
    $value = $i * 12;
    echo "$i times 12 is $value";
    $i++;
}</pre>
```





Now let's initialize, test, and increment.

```
<?php
$i = 1;

while($i <= 12) {
    $value = $i * 12;
    echo "$i times 12 is $value";
    $i++;
}</pre>
```

#### Output

1 times 12 is 12 2 times 12 is 24 3 times 12 is 36

• • •

10 times 12 is 120 11 times 12 is 132 12 times 12 is 144

# Using a for Loop

```
Initialize an integer variable and set it to I
<?php
                                        Test if our variable is less than or equal to 12
for( $i = 1; $i <= 12; $i++) {
   $value = $i * 12;
   echo "$i times 12 is $value";
                               Increment our integer variable $i by one
                                    $i++ is the same as $i = $i + 1
```

# Using a for Loop

Now let's initialize, test, and increment.

```
<?php

for( $i = 1; $i <= 12; $i++) {
   $value = $i * 12;
   echo "$i times 12 is $value";
}</pre>
```

#### Output

1 times 12 is 12 2 times 12 is 24 3 times 12 is 36

10 times 12 is 120 11 times 12 is 132 12 times 12 is 144

# The Simple Meteorite Array

How else could we extract each item in the array other than direct access?

```
<?php
$meteors = array(
    'Hoba',
    'Cape York',
    'Campo del Cielo',
    'Canyon Diablo',
    );</pre>
```

# Looping Access to the Array

The foreach and as will allow us to cycle through each item in our array.

```
On each pass through our foreach loop, the data in
<?php
                        $meteor will update with the next item in the collection.
$meteors = array(
                                           Output
   'Hoba',
   'Cape York',
   'Campo del Cielo',
   'Canyon Diablo',
                                                        Hoba
                                                     Cape York
                                                  Campo del Cielo
foreach($meteors as $meteor) {
   echo $meteor;
                                                   Canyon Diablo
                   The value, our meteorite names
```

#### Associative Meteorite Array

What would happen if we ran this array through our existing foreach loop?

```
<?php
$meteors = array(
   'Hoba' => 600000000,
   'Cape York' => 58200000,
   'Campo del Cielo' => 50000000,
   'Canyon Diablo' => 30000000,
   );
```

# Looping Through an Associative Array

What would happen if we ran this array through our existing foreach loop?

```
<?php
$meteors = array(
                                       Output
   'Hoba' => 60000000,
   'Cape York' => 58200000,
   'Campo del Cielo' => 5000000,
   'Canyon Diablo' => 30000000,
                                               60000000
                                                58200000
                                                50000000
foreach($meteors as $meteor) {
  echo $meteor;
                                                3000000
            The value is our meteorite weight!
```

#### How Can We Access the Key and Value?

We can use the array operator => to set up the key <u>and</u> value variables.

```
<?php
$meteors = array(
   'Hoba' => 60000000,
   'Cape York' => 58200000,
   'Campo del Cielo' => 5000000,
   'Canyon Diablo' => 3000000,
   );
                                           $name and $weight will change
                                           values with each pass
foreach($meteors as $name => $weight){
```

#### How Can We Access the Key and Value?

We can use the object operator => to set up the key <u>and</u> value variables.

```
<?php
$meteors = array(
   'Hoba' => 600000000,
   'Cape York' => 58200000,
   'Campo del Cielo' => 5000000,
   'Canyon Diablo' => 3000000,
foreach($meteors as $name => $weight){
  echo "$name weighs $weight grams.";
```

Output

Hoba weighs 600000000 grams.

Canyon Diablo weighs 300000000 grams.

```
<?php
$meteors = array(
   'Hoba' => 60000000,
   'Cape York' => 58200000,
   'Campo del Cielo' => 50000000,
   'Canyon Diablo' => 30000000,
$epic = 600000000; // 600 million grams
$huge = 50000000; // 50 million grams
foreach ($meteors as $name => $weight) {
```

```
<?php
$meteors = array(
   'Hoba' => 600000000,
   'Cape York' => 58200000,
   'Campo del Cielo' => 50000000,
   'Canyon Diablo' => 30000000,
$epic = 600000000; // 600 million grams
$huge = 50000000; // 50 million grams
foreach ($meteors as $name => $weight) {
   if ($weight >= $epic) {
        echo 'You have found an epic meteorite! <br>';
        echo 'Your meteorite\'s name is ' . $name . '<br>';
```

```
<?php
$meteors = array('Hoba' => 600000000, ...);
$epic = 600000000; // 600 million grams
$huge = 50000000; // 50 million grams
foreach ($meteors as $name => $weight) {
    if ($weight >= $epic) {
        echo 'You have found an epic meteorite!<br>>';
        echo 'Your meteorite\'s name is ' . $name . '<br>';
    } elseif ($weight >= $huge) {
        echo 'You have found a huge meteorite!<br>';
        echo 'Your meteorite\'s name is ' . $name . '<br>';
```

```
<?php
$meteors = array('Hoba' => 600000000, ...);
$epic = 600000000; // 600 million grams
$huge = 50000000; // 50 million grams
foreach ($meteors as $name => $weight) {
    if ($weight >= $epic) {
        echo 'You have found an epic meteorite!<br>';
        echo 'Your meteorite\'s name is ' . $name . '<br>';
    } elseif ($weight >= $huge) {
        echo 'You have found a huge meteorite!<br>';
        echo 'Your meteorite\'s name is ' . $name . '<br>';
    } else {
        echo 'You have found a meteorite, awesome!<br>';
        echo 'Your meteorite\'s name is ' . $name . '<br>';
```

#### What Have We Learned?

Let's have a quick review.

- while loop
- for loop
- foreach loop
- foreach with key/value
- Combining loops and conditionals



