$something = isset($\_GET['something']) ? $\_GET['something'] : "failed";

if (isset($\_GET['something'])) {

$something = $\_GET['something'];

} else {

$something = "failed";

}

Example 1

Assume we have a standard footer file called "footer.php", that looks like this:

<?php  
echo "<p>Copyright &copy; 1999-" . date("Y") . " W3Schools.com</p>";  
?>

Example

<html>  
<body>  
  
<h1>Welcome to my home page!</h1>  
<p>Some text.</p>  
<p>Some more text.</p>  
<?php include 'footer.php';?>  
  
</body>  
</html>

Example 2

Assume we have a standard menu file called "menu.php":

<?php  
echo '<a href="/default.asp">Home</a> -  
<a href="/html/default.asp">HTML Tutorial</a> -  
<a href="/css/default.asp">CSS Tutorial</a> -  
<a href="/js/default.asp">JavaScript Tutorial</a> -  
<a href="default.asp">PHP Tutorial</a>';  
?>

All pages in the Web site should use this menu file. Here is how it can be done (we are using a <div> element so that the menu easily can be styled with CSS later):

Example

<html>  
<body>  
  
<div class="menu">  
<?php include 'menu.php';?>  
</div>  
  
<h1>Welcome to my home page!</h1>  
<p>Some text.</p>  
<p>Some more text.</p>  
  
</body>  
</html>