htmlspecialchars

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Convert special characters for display in HTML

Description

string htmlspecialchars (string $data)

Certain characters have special significance in HTML, and should be represented by HTML entities if they are to be displayed in a browser “as is.” This function returns a string with these conversions made.

Parameter

$data: **String** to be formatted

Return Values

String with certain characters replaced. The translations performed are:

CHARACTER	NAME	TRANSLATED (HTML ENTITY)
&	ampersand	&
“	double quote	"
'	single quote	'
<	less than	<
>	greater than	>

Examples

```
<?
  $data="<a href='test'>Test</a>"
  $send=htmlspecialchars($data);
  print($send);
?>
```

The above example will set $send to the value `<a href='test'>Test</a>` and the browser will display:

```
<a href='test'>Test</a>
```

(Without conversion by htmlspecialchars the browser would instead display the hyperlink Test)

Read the file index.cgi line by line and format the output for display on the browser screen

```
<pre><?
  $f=fopen("/index.cgi","r"); // open the file for reading and get the file handle
  if ($f) {
    while (!feof($f)) {
      print(htmlspecialchars(fgets($f))."\r\n"); // print the line to the screen
    }
  fclose($f); // close the file referenced by file handle
  } else {
    print("Unable to open file /index.cgi");
  }
?></pre>
```

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