# PHP Constants

A constant is an identifier (name) for a simple value. The value cannot be changed during the script.

A valid constant name starts with a letter or underscore (no $ sign before the constant name).

Unlike variables, constants are automatically global across the entire script.

Also, constants are automatically global and can be used across the entire script.

## Creating a PHP Constant

To create a constant, we use the `define()` function.

```
define(name, value, case-insensitive)
```

`name` specifies the name of the constant

`value` specifies the value of the constant

`case-insensitive` specifies whether the constant name should be case-insensitive. Default is false.

### Example:

```
define(“pi”, 3.41, true);
```

## PHP Constant Arrays

In PHP7, you can create an Array constant using the `define()` function.

### Example:

```
define ("cars", ["Alfa Romeo", "BMW",
"Toyota"]);
```

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