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# 8. File class

## Introduction

It allows easy manipulation of files using the File class.

## Constructor

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| File | file: string<br>mode: string | Create an object of type File for the specified file.<br>If mode is "r", the file will be opened in read mode.<br>If mode is "w", the file will be opened in write mode.<br>If the mode is "a", the file will be open in append mode. |
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## Methods

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| read      | byte int (1000)<br>returns string | Reads at most the specified number of bytes.<br>When no numer is specified, 1000 bytes will be read at most. |
| readLine  | returns string                    | Reads untill end of line.  |
| write     | text: string                      | Writes the specified text.   |
| WriteLine | text: string                      | Writes text with and end of line.  |
| close     |                                   | Closes the file.   |
| flush     |                                   | Flush all buffers to disk.   |
| eof       | returns boolean                   | Returns true if the end of file has been reached.  |

# (static) methods and attributes

Additionally, the File object has the following (static) methods and attributes:

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| mkdir       | directory: string                | Creates the specified directory.   |
| stdin       | File                             | Attribute that contains a File object associated with standard input.            |
| stdout      | File                             | Attribute that contains a File object associated with standard output.           |
| stderr      | File                             | Attribute that contains a File object associated with the standard error output. |
| copy        | source: string<br>target: string | Copy selected file. This method is not able to copy directories.                 |
| delete      | file: string                     | Deletes a file or directory.   |
| move        | source: string<br>target: string | Moves (or renames) a file or directory.  |
| isDirectory | f: string<br>returns boolean     | Returns true if the specified file is a directory.                               |
| canRead     | f: string<br>returns boolean     | Returns true if the file can be read.  |
| canWrite    | f: string<br>returns boolean     | Returns true if the file can be written.   |
| getParent   | f: string<br>returns string      | Returns the parent directory of a file.  |

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