

# PERL READPIPE FUNCTION

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## Description

This function executes EXPR as a command. The output is then returned as a multiline string in scalar text, or with the line returned as individual elements in a list context.

## Syntax

Following is the simple syntax for this function –

```
readpipe EXPR
```

## Return Value

This function returns String in Scalar Context and returns List in List Context.

## Example

Following is the example code showing its basic usage –

```
#!/usr/bin/perl -w

@result = readpipe( "ls -l /tmp" );

print "@result";
```

When above code is executed, it produces the following result. This will give whole content in /tmp directory –

```
drwxr-xr-x  2 root   root    4096 Mar 19 11:55 testdir
```