

**NAME**

echo - display a line of text

**SYNOPSIS**

**echo** [*SHORT-OPTION*]... [*STRING*]...  
**echo** *LONG-OPTION*

**DESCRIPTION**

Echo the *STRING*(s) to standard output.

- n** do not output the trailing newline
- e** enable interpretation of backslash escapes
- E** disable interpretation of backslash escapes (default)
- help** display this help and exit
- version** output version information and exit

If **-e** is in effect, the following sequences are recognized:

- backslash
- a alert (BEL)
- b backspace
- c produce no further output
- e escape
- f form feed
- n new line
- r carriage return
- t horizontal tab
- v vertical tab
- 0NNN byte with octal value NNN (1 to 3 digits)
- xHH byte with hexadecimal value HH (1 to 2 digits)

NOTE: your shell may have its own version of echo, which usually supersedes the version described here. Please refer to your shell's documentation for details about the options it supports.

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**REPORTING BUGS**

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Full documentation at: <<http://www.gnu.org/software/coreutils/echo>>  
or available locally via: info (coreutils) echo invocation