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### ***Windows PowerShell Get-Help on Cmdlet 'Get-Member'***

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#### **NAME**

Get-Member

#### **SYNOPSIS**

Gets the properties and methods of objects.

#### **SYNTAX**

```
Get-Member [[-Name] <System.String[]>] [-Force] [-InputObject <System.Management.Automation.PSObject>]
[-MemberType {AliasProperty | CodeProperty | Property |
NoteProperty | ScriptProperty | Properties | PropertySet | Method | CodeMethod | ScriptMethod | Methods |
ParameterizedProperty | MemberSet | Event | Dynamic | All}]
[-Static] [-View {Extended | Adapted | Base | All}] [<CommonParameters>]
```

#### **DESCRIPTION**

The `Get-Member` cmdlet gets the members, the properties and methods, of objects.

To specify the object, use the InputObject parameter or pipe an object to `Get-Member`. To get information about static members, the members of the class, not of the

instance, use the `Static` parameter. To get only certain types of members, such as `NoteProperties`, use the `MemberType` parameter.

`Get-Member` returns a list of members that's sorted alphabetically. Methods are listed first, followed by the properties.

## PARAMETERS

-`Force` <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>

Adds the intrinsic members and the compiler-generated `get_` and `set_` methods to the display. The following list describes the properties that are added when you

use the `Force` parameter:

- `PSBase`: The original properties of the .NET object without extension or adaptation. These are the properties defined for the object class.  
- `PSAdapted`:

The properties and methods defined in the PowerShell extended type system.

- `PSExtended`: The properties and methods that were added in the `Types.ps1xml` files or using the  
`Add-Member` cmdlet.  
- `PSObject`: The adapter that converts the base object to a PowerShell PSObject object.  
- `PSTypeNames`: A list of object types that  
describe the object, in order of specificity. When formatting the object, PowerShell searches for the types in the  
`Format.ps1xml` files in the PowerShell  
installation directory (`\$PSHOME`). It uses the formatting definition for the first type that it finds.

By default, `Get-Member` gets these properties in all views except Base and Adapted, but doesn't display them.

Required? false

Position? named

Default value False

Accept pipeline input? False

Accept wildcard characters? false

-`InputObject` <System.Management.Automation.PSObject>

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Specifies the object whose members are retrieved.

Using the InputObject parameter isn't the same as piping an object to `Get-Member` . The differences are as follows:

- When you pipe a collection of objects to `Get-Member` , `Get-Member` gets the members of the individual objects in the collection, such as the properties of each string in an array of strings.
- When you use InputObject to submit a collection of objects, `Get-Member` gets the members of the collection, such as the properties of the array in an array of strings.

Required? false

Position? named

Default value None

Accept pipeline input? True (ByValue)

Accept wildcard characters? false

-MemberType <System.Management.Automation.PSMemberTypes>

Specifies the member type that this cmdlet gets. The default is `All` .

The acceptable values for this parameter are:

- `AliasProperty`

- `CodeProperty`

- `Property`

- `NoteProperty`

- `ScriptProperty`

- `Properties`

- `PropertySet`

- `Method`

- `CodeMethod`

- `ScriptMethod`

- `Methods`

- `ParameterizedProperty`

- `MemberSet`

- `Event`

- `Dynamic`

- `All`

These values are defined as a flag-based enumeration. You can combine multiple values together to set multiple flags using this parameter. The values can be

passed to the `MemberType` parameter as an array of values or as a comma-separated string of those values. The cmdlet will combine the values using a binary-OR

operation. Passing values as an array is the simplest option and also allows you to use tab-completion on the values.

For information about these values, see `PSMemberTypes` Enumeration (</dotnet/api/system.management.automation.psmembertypes>).

Not all objects have every type of member. If you specify a member type that the object doesn't have, PowerShell returns a null value. To get related types of

members, such as all extended members, use the `View` parameter. If you use the `MemberType` parameter with the `Static` or `View` parameters, ``Get-Member`` gets the

members that belong to both sets.

Required?	false
Position?	named
Default value	None
Accept pipeline input?	False
Accept wildcard characters?	false

#### -Name <System.String[]>

Specifies the names of one or more properties or methods of the object. `Get-Member` gets only the specified properties and methods.

If you use the Name parameter with the MemberType , View , or Static parameter, `Get-Member` gets only the members that satisfy the criteria of all parameters.

To get a static member by name, use the Static parameter with the Name parameter.

Required?	false
Position?	0
Default value	None
Accept pipeline input?	False
Accept wildcard characters?	false

#### -Static <System.Management.Automation.SwitchParameter>

Indicates that this cmdlet gets only the static properties and methods of the object. Static properties and methods are defined on the class of objects, not on any particular instance of the class.

If you use the Static parameter with the View or Force parameters, the cmdlet ignores those parameters. If you use the Static parameter with the MemberType parameter, `Get-Member` gets only the members that belong to both sets.

Required? false  
Position? named  
Default value False  
Accept pipeline input? False  
Accept wildcard characters? false

-View <System.Management.Automation.PSMemberViewTypes>

Specifies that this cmdlet gets only particular types properties and methods. Specify one or more of the values. The default is Adapted , Extended .

The acceptable values for this parameter are:

- Base. Gets only the original properties and methods of the .NET object (without extension or adaptation). - Adapted.

Gets only the properties and methods

defined in the PowerShell extended type system.

- Extended. Gets only the properties and methods that were added in a `Types.ps1xml` files or by

using the `Add-Member` cmdlet. - All. Gets the members in the Base, Adapted, and Extended views.

The View parameter determines the members retrieved, not just the display of those members.

To get particular member types, such as script properties, use the MemberType parameter. If you use the MemberType and View parameters in the same command,

`Get-Member` gets the members that belong to both sets. If you use the Static and View parameters in the same command, the View parameter is ignored.

Required? false  
Position? named  
Default value Adapted, Extended  
Accept pipeline input? False  
Accept wildcard characters? false

## <CommonParameters>

This cmdlet supports the common parameters: Verbose, Debug, ErrorAction, ErrorVariable, WarningAction, WarningVariable, OutBuffer, PipelineVariable, and OutVariable. For more information, see about\_CommonParameters (<https://go.microsoft.com/fwlink/?LinkId=113216>).

## INPUTS

System.Management.Automation.PSObject

You can pipe any object to this cmdlet.

## OUTPUTS

Microsoft.PowerShell.Commands.MemberDefinition

This cmdlet returns a MemberDefinition for each property or method that its gets.

## NOTES

Windows PowerShell includes the following aliases for `Get-Member`:

- `gm`

You can get information about a collection object either using the InputObject parameter or by piping the object, preceded by a comma, to `Get-Member`.

You can use the `\$This` automatic variable in script blocks that define the values of new properties and methods. The `\$This` variable refers to the instance of

the object to which the properties and methods are being added. For more information about the `\$This` variable, see about\_Automatic\_Variables

([./Microsoft.PowerShell.Core/About/about\\_Automatic\\_Variables.md](#)).

`[System.RuntimeType]` type. However,

when you use the `Static` parameter, `Get-Member` returns the static members of the specific type represented by the `System.RuntimeType` instance.

----- Example 1: Get the members of process objects -----

Get-Service | Get-Member

TypeName: System.ServiceProcess.ServiceController

Name	MemberType	Definition
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Name	AliasProperty	Name = ServiceName
RequiredServices	AliasProperty	RequiredServices = ServicesDependedOn
Disposed	Event	System.EventHandler Disposed(System.Object, System.EventArgs)
Close	Method	void Close()
Continue	Method	void Continue()
CreateObjRef	Method	System.Runtime.Remoting.ObjRef CreateObjRef(type requestedType)
Dispose	Method	void Dispose(), void IDisposable.Dispose()
Equals	Method	bool Equals(System.Object obj)
ExecuteCommand	Method	void ExecuteCommand(int command)
GetHashCode	Method	int GetHashCode()
GetLifetimeService	Method	System.Object GetLifetimeService()
GetType	Method	type GetType()
InitializeLifetimeService	Method	System.Object InitializeLifetimeService()
Pause	Method	void Pause()
Refresh	Method	void Refresh()
Start	Method	void Start(), void Start(string[] args)
Stop	Method	void Stop()
WaitForStatus	Method	void WaitForStatus(System.ServiceProcess.ServiceControllerSt...)
CanPauseAndContinue	Property	bool CanPauseAndContinue {get;}
CanShutdown	Property	bool CanShutdown {get;}
CanStop	Property	bool CanStop {get;}

Container	Property	System.ComponentModel.IContainer Container {get;}
DependentServices	Property	System.ServiceProcess.ServiceController[] DependentServices {get;}
DisplayName	Property	string DisplayName {get;set;}
MachineName	Property	string MachineName {get;set;}
ServiceHandle	Property	System.Runtime.InteropServices.SafeHandle ServiceHandle {get;}
ServiceName	Property	string ServiceName {get;set;}
ServicesDependedOn	Property	System.ServiceProcess.ServiceController[] ServicesDependedOn {get;}
ServiceType	Property	System.ServiceProcess.ServiceType ServiceType {get;}
Site	Property	System.ComponentModel.ISite Site {get;set;}
StartType	Property	System.ServiceProcess.ServiceStartMode StartType {get;}
Status	Property	System.ServiceProcess.ServiceControllerStatus Status {get;}
ToString	ScriptMethod	System.Object ToString();

----- Example 2: Get members of service objects -----

```
Get-Service | Get-Member -Force  
(Get-Service Schedule).PSBase
```

The `Get-Member` command uses the Force parameter to add the intrinsic members and compiler-generated members of the objects to the display. You can use these

properties and methods in the same way that you would use an adapted method of the object. The second command shows how to display the value of the PSBase property of

the Schedule service. For more information on intrinsic members, see about\_Intrinsic\_Members  
(..\\Microsoft.PowerShell.Core\\About\\about\_Intrinsic\_Members.md)

----- Example 3: Get extended members of service objects -----

```
Get-Service | Get-Member -View Extended
```

TypeName: System.ServiceProcess.ServiceController

Name	MemberType	Definition
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```
Name      AliasProperty Name = ServiceName  
RequiredServices AliasProperty RequiredServices = ServicesDependedOn  
ToString     ScriptMethod System.Object ToString();
```

The `Get-Member` command uses the View parameter to get only the extended members of the service objects. In this case, the extended member is the Name property,

which is an alias property of the ServiceName property.

---- Example 4: Get script properties of event log objects ----

```
Get-WinEvent -LogName System -MaxEvents 1 | Get-Member -MemberType NoteProperty
```

```
TypeName: System.Diagnostics.Eventing.Reader.EventLogRecord
```

```
Name  MemberType  Definition
```

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```

```
Message NoteProperty string Message=The machine-default permission settings do not grant Local ...
```

The MemberType parameter gets only objects with a value of `NoteProperty` for their MemberType property.

The command returns the Message property of the EventLogRecord object.

----- Example 5: Get objects with a specified property -----

```
$list = "Get-Process", "Get-Service", "Get-Culture", "Get-PSDrive", "Get-ExecutionPolicy"  
foreach ($cmdlet in $list) {& $cmdlet | Get-Member -Name MachineName}
```

```
TypeName: System.Diagnostics.Process
```

```
Name  MemberType  Definition
```

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```

```
MachineName Property  string MachineName {get;}
```

```
TypeName: System.ServiceProcess.ServiceController
```

Name	MemberType	Definition
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MachineName	Property	string MachineName {get;set;}
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The results show that only process objects and service objects have a MachineName property.

----- Example 6: Get members for an array -----

```
$array = @(1,'hello')
```

```
$array | Get-Member
```

TypeName: System.Int32

Name	MemberType	Definition
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CompareTo	Method	int CompareTo(System.Object value), int CompareTo(int value), int ICompar...
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Equals	Method	bool Equals(System.Object obj), bool Equals(int obj), bool IEquatable[int...]
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GetHashCode	Method	int GetHashCode()
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GetType	Method	type GetType()
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GetTypeCode	Method	System.TypeCode GetTypeCode(), System.TypeCode IConvertible.GetTypeCode()
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ToBoolean	Method	bool IConvertible.ToBoolean(System.IFormatProvider provider)
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ToByte	Method	byte IConvertible.ToByte(System.IFormatProvider provider)
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...

TypeName: System.String

Name	MemberType	Definition
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Clone	Method	System.Object Clone(), System.Object ICloneable.Clone()
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CompareTo	Method	int CompareTo(System.Object value), int CompareTo(str...
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Contains	Method	bool Contains(string value), bool Contains(string val...
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CopyTo	Method	void CopyTo(int sourceIndex, char[] destination, int ...
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EndsWith	Method	bool EndsWith(string value), bool EndsWith(string val...
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EnumerateRunes	Method	System.Text.StringRunEnumerator EnumerateRunes()
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Equals	Method	bool Equals(System.Object obj), bool Equals(string va...)
GetEnumerator	Method	System.CharEnumerator GetEnumerator(), System.Collect...
GetHashCode	Method	int GetHashCode(), int GetHashCode(System.StringCompa...

...

```
Get-Member -InputObject $array
```

TypeName: System.Object[]

Name	MemberType	Definition
Add	Method	int IList.Add(System.Object value)
Address	Method	System.Object&, System.Private.CoreLib, Version=4.0.0.0, Cu...
Clear	Method	void IList.Clear()
Clone	Method	System.Object Clone(), System.Object ICloneable.Clone()
CompareTo	Method	int IStructuralComparable.CompareTo(System.Object other, Sy...

...

The `\$array` variable contains an Int32 object and a string object, as seen when the array is piped to `Get-Member`.

When `\$array` is passed using the InputObject

parameter `Get-Member` returns the members of the Object[] type.

--- Example 7: Determine which object properties you can set ---

```
$File = Get-Item c:\test\textFile.txt
$File.PSObject.Properties | Where-Object IsSettable | Select-Object -Property Name
```

Name

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PSPATH

PSParentPath

PSChildName

PSDrive

PSProvider

PSIsContainer

IsReadOnly

CreationTime

CreationTimeUtc

LastAccessTime

LastAccessTimeUtc

LastWriteTime

LastWriteTimeUtc

Attributes

Example 8: List the properties of an object in the order they were created

```
$Asset = New-Object -TypeName PSObject  
$d = [ordered]@{Name="Server30";System="Server Core";PSVersion="4.0"}  
$Asset | Add-Member -NotePropertyMembers $d -TypeName Asset  
$Asset.PSObject.Properties | Select-Object Name, Value
```

Name	Value
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Name	Server30
System	Server Core
PSVersion	4.0

## RELATED LINKS

Online

Version:

[https://learn.microsoft.com/powershell/module/microsoft.powershell.utility/get-member?view=powershell-5.1&WT.mc\\_id=ps-gethelp](https://learn.microsoft.com/powershell/module/microsoft.powershell.utility/get-member?view=powershell-5.1&WT.mc_id=ps-gethelp)

Add-Member

