

ASCII Characters Explained

Dec	Hx	Oct	Char	Dec	Hx	Oct	Html	Chr	Dec	Hx	Oct	Html	Chr	Dec	Hx	Oct	Html	Chr
0	0	000	NUL (null)	32	20	040	##32;	Space	64	40	100	##64;	@	96	60	140	##96;	`
1	1	001	SOH (start of heading)	33	21	041	##33;	!	65	41	101	##65;	A	97	61	141	##97;	a
2	2	002	STX (start of text)	34	22	042	##34;	"	66	42	102	##66;	B	98	62	142	##98;	b
3	3	003	ETX (end of text)	35	23	043	##35;	#	67	43	103	##67;	C	99	63	143	##99;	c
4	4	004	EOT (end of transmission)	36	24	044	##36;	\$	68	44	104	##68;	D	100	64	144	##100;	d
5	5	005	ENQ (enquiry)	37	25	045	##37;	%	69	45	105	##69;	E	101	65	145	##101;	e
6	6	006	ACK (acknowledge)	38	26	046	##38;	&	70	46	106	##70;	F	102	66	146	##102;	f
7	7	007	BEL (bell)	39	27	047	##39;	'	71	47	107	##71;	G	103	67	147	##103;	g
8	8	010	BS (backspace)	40	28	050	##40;	(	72	48	110	##72;	H	104	68	150	##104;	h
9	9	011	TAB (horizontal tab)	41	29	051	##41;	)	73	49	111	##73;	I	105	69	151	##105;	i
10	A	012	LF (NL line feed, new line)	42	2A	052	##42;	*	74	4A	112	##74;	J	106	6A	152	##106;	j
11	B	013	VT (vertical tab)	43	2B	053	##43;	+	75	4B	113	##75;	K	107	6B	153	##107;	k
12	C	014	FF (NP form feed, new page)	44	2C	054	##44;	,	76	4C	114	##76;	L	108	6C	154	##108;	l
13	D	015	CR (carriage return)	45	2D	055	##45;	-	77	4D	115	##77;	M	109	6D	155	##109;	m
14	E	016	SO (shift out)	46	2E	056	##46;	.	78	4E	116	##78;	N	110	6E	156	##110;	n
15	F	017	SI (shift in)	47	2F	057	##47;	/	79	4F	117	##79;	O	111	6F	157	##111;	o
16	10	020	DLE (data link escape)	48	30	060	##48;	0	80	50	120	##80;	P	112	70	160	##112;	p
17	11	021	DC1 (device control 1)	49	31	061	##49;	1	81	51	121	##81;	Q	113	71	161	##113;	q
18	12	022	DC2 (device control 2)	50	32	062	##50;	2	82	52	122	##82;	R	114	72	162	##114;	r
19	13	023	DC3 (device control 3)	51	33	063	##51;	3	83	53	123	##83;	S	115	73	163	##115;	s
20	14	024	DC4 (device control 4)	52	34	064	##52;	4	84	54	124	##84;	T	116	74	164	##116;	t
21	15	025	NAK (negative acknowledge)	53	35	065	##53;	5	85	55	125	##85;	U	117	75	165	##117;	u
22	16	026	SYN (synchronous idle)	54	36	066	##54;	6	86	56	126	##86;	V	118	76	166	##118;	v
23	17	027	ETB (end of trans. block)	55	37	067	##55;	7	87	57	127	##87;	W	119	77	167	##119;	w
24	18	030	CAN (cancel)	56	38	070	##56;	8	88	58	130	##88;	X	120	78	170	##120;	x
25	19	031	EM (end of medium)	57	39	071	##57;	9	89	59	131	##89;	Y	121	79	171	##121;	y
26	1A	032	SUB (substitute)	58	3A	072	##58;	:	90	5A	132	##90;	Z	122	7A	172	##122;	z
27	1B	033	ESC (escape)	59	3B	073	##59;	;	91	5B	133	##91;	[	123	7B	173	##123;	{
28	1C	034	FS (file separator)	60	3C	074	##60;	<	92	5C	134	##92;	\	124	7C	174	##124;	|
29	1D	035	GS (group separator)	61	3D	075	##61;	=	93	5D	135	##93;	]	125	7D	175	##125;	}
30	1E	036	RS (record separator)	62	3E	076	##62;	>	94	5E	136	##94;	^	126	7E	176	##126;	~
31	1F	037	US (unit separator)	63	3F	077	##63;	?	95	5F	137	##95;	_	127	7F	177	##127;	DEL

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ASCII Character Set Explained.....

Bytes are frequently used to hold individual characters in a text document. In the **ASCII character set**, each binary value between 0 and 127 is given a specific character. Most computers extend the ASCII character set to use the full range of 256 characters available in a byte. The upper 128 characters handle special things like accented characters from common foreign languages.

You can see the 127 standard ASCII codes above. Computers store text documents, both on [disk](#) and in [memory](#), using these codes. For example, if you use Notepad in Windows 95/98 to create a text file containing the words, "Four score and seven years ago," Notepad would use 1 byte of memory per character (including 1 byte for each space character between the words -- ASCII character 32). When Notepad stores the sentence in a file on disk, the file will also contain 1 byte per character and per space.

Try this experiment: Open up a new file in Notepad and insert the sentence, "Four score and seven years ago" in it. Save the file to disk under the name **getty.txt**. Then use the explorer and look at the size of

the file. You will find that the file has a size of 30 bytes on disk: 1 byte for each character. If you add another word to the end of the sentence and re-save it, the file size will jump to the appropriate number of bytes. Each character consumes a byte.

If you were to look at the file as a computer looks at it, you would find that each byte contains not a letter but a number -- the number is the ASCII code corresponding to the character (see below). So on disk, the numbers for the file look like this:

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F o u r   a n d   s e v e n  
70 111 117 114 32 97 110 100 32 115 101 118 101 110
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By looking in the ASCII table, you can see a one-to-one correspondence between each character and the ASCII code used. Note the use of 32 for a space -- 32 is the ASCII code for a space. We could expand these decimal numbers out to binary numbers (so 32 = 00100000) if we wanted to be technically correct -- that is how the computer really deals with things.

The first 32 values (0 through 31) are codes for things like carriage return and line feed. The space character is the 33rd value, followed by punctuation, digits, uppercase characters and lowercase characters. To see all 127 values, check out Unicode.org's chart.