
Subject: extracting all but...

Posted by [Koh Leong Tah](#) on Sat, 19 Nov 2005 02:15:25 GMT

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basically, I have an array of filenames with a particular directory prefixed to each of the filenames like so:

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any ideas?

Cheers,
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Subject: Re: extracting all but...

Posted by [Robert Moss](#) on Sun, 20 Nov 2005 16:25:44 GMT

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You want to use the FILE_BASENAME function. It will extract the file name in just the way you require. You might also look at the FILE_DIRNAME function. It can also be handy for the types of manipulations you are doing here.

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Robert Moss, PhD
