

# PHP json\_decode() Function

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PHP json\_decode() Function is used to decode JSON array or a JSON object into a PHP object or an associative array. A json\_decode() function is built-in function in PHP.

## Syntax :

```
json_decode(json $jsondata,$flag = false);
```

## Parameter,

**\$array:** Required. It is a input jsondata.

**\$flag :** Optional. Default value is false. If It set to true, JSON objects are decoded into associative arrays. If It set to false, JSON objects are decoded into php objects.

## Return Values :

It returns a PHP object or associative array for JSON Data.

JSON Data can be decoded into php object by using the PHP function json\_decode().

Let's see below example to understand php json\_decode() Function in details.

## Example :

```
<?php
echo "<br>Below example shows how to decode a JSON object into php objects<br>";
$jsondata = '{"John":99,"Herry":76,"roze":47,"Jack":85}';
$phpobj = json_decode($jsondata);
echo "<br>".$phpobj->John ;
echo "<br>".$phpobj->Herry;
echo "<br>".$phpobj->roze;
echo "<br>".$phpobj->Jack;

echo "<br><br>Below example shows how to decode a JSON object into an associative
array<br>";
$array=json_decode($jsondata ,true);
print_r($array);
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