
Getuser (from joomla) for query

Posted by timw - 2012/06/22 13:20

Is it possible to get the current (signed in) joomla user, to be used in my data tables query? The query will be accessing an external SQL database. But I need to show information that is specific to the current user only. Is this possible?

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Posted by admin - 2012/06/22 13:38

Hello,

It is possible to use {\$UserId} predefined variable in WHERE clause of an SQL query. A sample query:

```
SELECT
id,
title
FROM
#__content
WHERE
created_by = {$UserId}
```

Regards,
ARI Soft

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Re:Getuser (from joomla) for query

Posted by timw - 2012/06/22 13:52

If my SQL database is external, does the {\$UserId} automatically know to use the Joomla user id? Also, we'd really need to use user name, not user id. Is that possible?

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Re:Getuser (from joomla) for query

Posted by admin - 2012/06/22 13:54

You can use it for an external database as well for Joomla! database. You can also use {\$UserName} and {\$UserLogin} variables.

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Posted by timw - 2012/06/22 15:04

Here is my query, which returns no data:

```
SELECT UserID, OrderDate, PONum
FROM `openorders`
WHERE
UserID = {$UserName}
```

However, when I actually type the value for user id it works...so this works:

```
SELECT UserID, OrderDate, PONum
FROM `openorders`
WHERE
  UserID = 'ds124'
```

What do I need to do in order for the top query to work with the dynamic userName?

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Posted by admin - 2012/06/22 15:08

We suppose you need {\$UserLogin} variable instead of {\$UserName} variable.

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Re:Getuser (from joomla) for query

Posted by timw - 2012/06/22 15:12

That got it. Thank you so much! This is such a great tool.

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