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# getenv

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## Synopsis

Get the value of an environment variable

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```
String_Type getenv(String_Type var)
```

## Description

The `getenv` function returns a string that represents the value of an environment variable `var`. It will return `NULL` if there is no environment variable whose name is given by `var`.

## Example

```
if (NULL != getenv ("USE_COLOR"))
{
    set_color ("normal", "white", "blue");
    set_color ("status", "black", "gray");
    USE_ANSI_COLORS = 1;
}
```

## See Also

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