

Finger CGI v1.0.1

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Introduction

Finger CGI will let you retrieve information using the "finger" protocol and include it within a web page. Finger CGI is an unsupported and free utility made available from [Spider Island Software](http://www.spiderisland.com). Our website can be found at <http://www.spiderisland.com>.

For an example of Finger CGI in action, visit the following:

<http://www/bbslist/bbslist.html>

When you get to this page, use the "Who's Online" links to finger various BBS's.

How to configure it

Setting up Finger CGI may require a little work with ResEdit. You'll want to modify some resources inside Finder CGI to customize it for your BBS. The resources to change are:

'TEXT' 500

This is the HTML header for the page that will be sent back to the user

'TEXT' 501

This is the HTML footer for the page that will be sent back to the user.

'TEXT' 502

This is the HTML that will be sent if the requested server is unavailable.

'TEXT' 503

This is the HTML that will be sent if the server fails to return any data.

How to use it

Place Finger CGI in the same folder as your WebServer. (Or it can be in a subfolder).

To call the CGI, use the following URL syntax:

[http://www.yoursite.com/finger.acgi\\$fingerserver.site?username](http://www.yoursite.com/finger.acgi$fingerserver.site?username)

In the above:

www.yoursite.com = this should be the domain name of your web site
fingerserver.site = the host that you want to finger. usually the domain name of your BBS
username = the name of the user you wish to see. this is optional. If you leave it blank, you will get a list of users that are online

Feedback

If you have any feedback or bugs regarding Finger CGI, please send them to "support@spiderisland.com". Because this is a free program, we are unable to promise any new features or email responses, but we will listen.