

Method: WshShell.Run

WshShell.Run strCommand [,intWindowState] [,bWaitOnReturn]

The **Run** method creates a new process and runs the command specified by **strCommand**.

- The optional parameter **intWindowState** is used to set the window style of the program being run.
- If the optional parameter **bWaitOnReturn** is set to True (default is False), then **Run** will return the return value returned by *strCommand*.
- Otherwise it returns **0**. Also, if **bWaitOnReturn** is set to True, then the script will suspend its execution until **strCommand** finishes.

The following table shows the available settings for **intWindowState**.

intWindowsStyle	Settings
0	Hides the window and activates another window.
1	Activates and displays a window. If the window is minimized or maximized, the system restores it to its original size and position. An application should specify this flag when displaying the window for the first time.
2	Activates the window and displays it as a minimized window.
3	Activates the window and displays it as a maximized window.
4	Displays a window in its most recent size and position. The active window remains active.
5	Activates the window and displays it in its current size and position.
6	Minimizes the specified window and activates the next top-level window in the Z order.
7	Displays the window as a minimized window. The active window remains active.
8	Displays the window in its current state. The active window remains active.
9	Activates and displays the window. If the window is minimized or maximized, the system restores it to its original size and position. An application should specify this flag when restoring a minimized window.
10	Sets the show state based on the state of the program that started the application.

The following **VBScript** code starts **Notepad** using the script's own full path name as the parameter for **Notepad**.

Code:

```
Set WshShell = WScript.CreateObject("WScript.Shell")

intReturn = WshShell.Run("notepad " & WScript.ScriptFullName, 1, TRUE)

WshShell.Popup "Notepad is now closed."
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