

Help – Counting text – Associative Array?

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Greetings. I am trying to do something which should elementary for Perl, but I have only been able to find bits and pieces on it. When I put the bits together they do not work. Maybe I am going in the wrong direction.

I want to count several strings of text in a file (security.txt) and output the counts with a brief description of each. I have tried specifying the descriptions (name) and the strings (exe) in the array within the perl script. I can open the file to search ok, but the counting/output doesn't work. It seems to count every line in the file. The strings are not on their own lines in security.txt.

The goal is to see something like:

Name: Catalog Count:2

Name: Crime Count:1

Yes I am a newb, so if anyone can point me in the right direction I'd sure appreciate it. TIA, Sam

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print "\nSEARCHING...\n";
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open (FILE, "security.txt");
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print "\n";
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##### Define names and their file paths #####
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%exe = ( "Catalog", 'C:\Program Files\Internet Explorer\IEXPLORE.EXE',  
"Crime", 'D:\crime\Reader\AcroRd32.exe');
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##### Try to count the occurrence of file paths #####
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$count=0;
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while(<FILE>) {
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chomp;
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#if ($_ = (values %exe)) {  
    $count++;  
}  
  
##### print names and counts #####  
  
foreach $key (keys %exe) {  
  
print "Name: $key\t Count: $count\n";  
  
}  
  
print "\nDONE.\n";  
  
close(FILE);
```