

# fork() step by step...

Process 1000

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        printf("CHILD: global_var=%d local_var=%d\n", global_var, local_var);  
  
    } else // Parent process  
  
        global_var = 4;  
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    }  
}
```

...  
*global\_var* = 3  
...

Process's variables

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Standard output (stdout):

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```

...  
global\_var = 3  
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Wrong...

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    if(proc_id == 0) { // Child process  
  
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```

...  
**global\_var = 4**  
local\_var = 3  
proc\_id = 1001  
...

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proc\_id = 1001

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```

...

global\_var = 3  
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proc\_id = 0

...

## Standard output (stdout):

PARENT: global\_var=4 local\_var=4

# fork() step by step...

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...

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...

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```

...

global\_var = 3  
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...

Wrong...

## Standard output (stdout):

PARENT: global\_var=4 local\_var=4

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}
```

...

global\_var = 3  
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proc\_id = 0

...

True...

## Standard output (stdout):

PARENT: global\_var=4 local\_var=4

# fork() step by step...

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...

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```

...

global\_var = 2  
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...

## Standard output (stdout):

PARENT: global\_var=4 local\_var=4

# fork() step by step...

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...

global\_var = 4  
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...

## Process 1001 (CHILD)

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```



## Standard output (stdout):

PARENT: global\_var=4 local\_var=4

# fork() step by step...

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```

...

global\_var = 4  
local\_var = 4  
proc\_id = 1001

...

## Process 1001 (CHILD)

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    }  
}
```



## Standard output (stdout):

PARENT: global\_var=4 local\_var=4  
CHILD : global\_var=2 local\_var=2

# fork() step by step...

## Process 1000 (PARENT)

```
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int main(void)  
{  
    int local_var = 3;  
  
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```

...

global\_var = 4  
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proc\_id = 1001

...

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```

## Standard output (stdout):

PARENT: global\_var=4 local\_var=4  
CHILD : global\_var=2 local\_var=2

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    if(proc_id == 0) { // Child process  
  
        global_var = 2;  
        local_var = 2;  
  
        printf("CHILD: global_var=%d local_var=%d\n", global_var, local_var);  
  
    } else { // Parent process  
  
        global_var = 4;  
        local_var = 4;  
  
        printf("PARENT: global_var=%d local_var=%d\n", global_var, local_var);  
    }  
}
```

...

global\_var = 4  
local\_var = 4  
proc\_id = 1001

...

## Process 1001 (CHILD)

```
int global_var = 3;  
  
int main(void)  
{  
    int local_var = 3;  
  
    pid_t proc_id = fork();  
  
    if(proc_id == -1) exit(1); // Error...  
  
    if(proc_id == 0) { // Child process  
  
        global_var = 2;  
        local_var = 2;  
  
        printf("CHILD: global_var=%d local_var=%d\n", global_var, local_var);  
  
    } else { // Parent process  
  
        global_var = 4;  
        local_var = 4;  
  
        printf("PARENT: global_var=%d local_var=%d\n", global_var, local_var);  
    }  
}
```

...

global\_var = 2  
local\_var = 2  
proc\_id = 0

...

## Standard output (stdout):

PARENT: global\_var=4 local\_var=4  
CHILD : global\_var=2 local\_var=2