```php
<?php
    session_start();

    if (isset($_POST["post"])) {  // has the post button been pressed?
     // use the submitted credentials
        $_SESSION["soldname"] = $_POST["soldname"];
        $_SESSION["soldrank"] = $_POST["soldrank"];
        $_SESSION["soldserial"] = $_POST["soldserial"];

        echo $soldname;
    } else if (!isset($_SESSION["soldname"])){
        $_SESSION["soldname"] = "not yet specified";
    }

    echo "Session variable 'Soldname' contains : ".$_SESSION["soldname"]
?>

<form name="helloworld" action="sess1play.php" method="post">
  name?:<input type="text" name="soldname" value="name?" /><br />
  rank?:<input type="text" name="soldrank" value="rank?" /><br />
  serial?:<input type="text" name="soldserial" value="serial number?" /><br />
  <input type="submit" name="post" value="post" />
</form>
<a href="sess2play.php">Jump to a related page</a>
```