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Description

Read and print R fortunes.

Usage

```
fortune(which = NULL, fortunes.data = NULL, fixed = TRUE,
        showMatches = FALSE, author = character(), ...)
## S3 method for class 'fortune'
print(x, width = NULL, ...)
read.fortunes(file = NULL)
```

Arguments

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| which | an integer specifying the row number of <code>fortunes.data</code> . Alternatively which can be a character and <code>grep</code> is used to try to find a suitable row. |
| fortunes.data | data frame containing a fortune in each row. By default the fortune data from the fortunes package are used. |
| fixed | logical passed to <code>grep</code> if which is a character, indicating if it should work (if TRUE, as by default) with a simple character string or (if FALSE) with regular expressions. |
| showMatches | if which is character, a logical indicating if <code>fortune()</code> should print all the row numbers of <code>fortunes.data</code> which match the <code>grep</code> search. |
| author | a character string to match (via <code>grep</code>) to the "authors" column of <code>fortunes.data</code> . |
| ... | potential further arguments passed to <code>grep</code> . |
| x | an object of class "fortune", usually a single row from <code>fortunes.data</code> . |
| width | integer specifying the character width. By default <code>getOption("width")</code> is used. |
| file | a character string giving a fortune database in csv format (in UTF-8 encoding). By default all csv files in the data directory of the fortune package are used. |

Value

`fortune()` returns an object of class "fortune" which is a row from a data frame of fortunes (like those read in from `read.fortunes`).

`read.fortunes()` returns a data frame of fortunes, each row contains:

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| quote | the quote, main part of the fortune, |
| author | the author of the quote, |
| context | the context in which it was quoted (if available, otherwise NA), |
| source | where it was quoted (if available, otherwise NA), |
| date | when it was quoted (if available, otherwise NA). |

Examples

```
fortune() # a random one
fortune("Ripley") # a random one from those with 'Ripley'
fortune(author = "Ripley") # a random one from those by 'Ripley'
fortune(17)

fortune("parse", showMatches = TRUE) # -> shows at least 5 matches
fortune("parse.*answer") # nothing found but...
fortune("parse.*answer", fixed = FALSE) # ...this works

## The first three "all together" ('setNames()' requires at least R 3.0.0):
lapply(setNames(, c(38, 106, 129)), fortune)
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