History of Java

History of Java is very dramatic. It was originally designed for interactive television but it was too advanced technology for the digital cable technology industry at that time.

The history of java starts with green team. Java team members also known as green team, initiated this project to develop a language for digital devices such as set-top boxes, television etc.. Later java company was inco-operated by **Netscape**.

The principles for creating Java were simple, robust, platform independent, portable, secure, high performance, object oriented, architectural neutral, multi threaded, interpreted, dynamic, distributed etc...

Java language project was initiated by James Gosling, Patrick Naughton, Mike Sheridan on June 1991. First of all it was called GreenTalk by James Gosling and file extension was .gt. After that it was called OAK and was developed as a part of "Green Project". It was choosen oak as oak is the symbol of strength and choosen as a national tree of many countries like U.S.A, France, Germany etc..

In 1995, OAK was renamed as **JAVA** due to trade mark issues by oak technologies.

In 1995, Time magazine called Java one of the Ten Best Products of 1995.

On 23 January 1996, JDK 1.0 was released.

Many java versions have been released till now. The current stable release of Java is Java SE 10.

- 1. JDK Alpha and Beta (1995)
- 2. JDK 1.0 (23rd Jan 1996)
- 3. JDK 1.1 (19th Feb 1997)
- 4. J2SE 1.2 (8th Dec 1998)
- 5. J2SE 1.3 (8th May 2000)
- 6. J2SE 1.4 (6th Feb 2002)
- 7. J2SE 5.0 (30th Sep 2004)
- 8. Java SE 6 (11th Dec 2006)
- 9. Java SE 7 (28th July 2011)
- 10. Java SE 8 (18th Mar 2014)

11. Java SE 9 (21st Sep 2017)

12. Java SE 10 (20th Mar 2018)