**History of Java**

Java was developed by James Gosling and his team in 1995 at Sun Microsystems. The main goals of developing Java were to make it simple, portable, platform-independent, tightly secured, robust etc. as a programming language. James Gosling and his partners began developing the project in the early 1990s. So, it took around 4 years to complete the project – development of Java.

Firstly, Java was named as ‘Greentalk’ by James Gosling. The file extension was also ‘.gt’. Then, it was named as ‘Oak’ because Oak is the symbol of strength, power and is also the national tree of many countries. Finally, in 1995, it was named as ‘Java’ and it became one of the most popular languages in the world since then. It is said that ‘Java’ name was struck to James Gosling while he was sipping coffee, and coffee was first produced in Java (Island in Indonesia). Thus, he connected the dots as we can see.

Since the first JDK 1.0 release in 1996, Java underwent numerous updates and is now capable of performing vast amount of calculations ranging from simple arithmetic operations to network security, desktop and mobile applications and so much more.

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