

# Binary Search

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public class BinarySearchDemo {  
  
    // Method to perform binary search on a sorted array  
    public static int binarySearch(int[] array, int target) {  
        int left = 0;  
        int right = array.length - 1;  
  
        while (left <= right) {  
            // Integer division to find the middle index  
            int mid = (right-left) / 2; // Integer division  
  
            if (array[mid] == target) {  
                return mid; // Target found, return its index  
            } else if (array[mid] < target) {  
                System.out.println("Searching in the right half from index " + (mid + 1) + " to " + right);  
                left = mid + 1; // Discard the left half  
            } else {  
                System.out.println("Searching in the left half from index " + left + " to " + (mid - 1));  
                right = mid - 1; // Discard the right half  
            }  
        }  
  
        System.out.println("Element not found.");  
        return -1; // Target not found  
    }  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {
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int[] sortedArray = {2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20}; // A sample sorted array  
int target = 18; // The target we are searching for  
  
int result = binarySearch(sortedArray, target);  
if (result != -1) {  
    System.out.println("Element found at index: " + result);  
}  
}  
}
```

## OUTPUT

Searching in the right half from index 6 to 9

Searching in the right half from index 8 to 9

Element found at index: 8