# Working with variables

During a debug session, you can display variable types, and change or disable variable values.

To display variable type names:

* In Variables view, click the **Show Type Names** toggle button.

To change a variable value while debugging:

During a debug, you can change the value of a variable to test how your program handles a particular value or to speed through a loop.

1. In Variables view, right-click a variable, and select **Change Value**.
2. Type a value.

To disable a variable value while debugging:

You can disable a variable so that the debugger does not read the variable's value from the target. This is useful if the target is very sensitive or the variable is specified as volatile.

* In Variables view, right-click a variable, and select **Disable**.



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[Debugging](http://docs.google.com/cdt_o_debug.htm)



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