

## Chapter 2

# How to write your first Java applications

# Objectives

## Applied

1. Given the specifications for an application that requires only the language elements presented in this chapter, write, test, and debug the application.
2. Given the Java code for an application that uses any of the language elements presented in this chapter, explain what each statement in the application does.
3. Given the name of a package and a class, look it up in the documentation for the Java API.

# Objectives (cont.)

## Knowledge

1. Name two types of comments that are provided by Java and explain how to code them.
2. Given a list of names, identify the ones that are valid for Java classes, and variables.
3. Given a list of names, identify the ones that follow the naming recommendations for classes presented in this chapter.
4. Given a list of names, identify the ones that follow the naming recommendations for variables presented in this chapter.
5. Describe the difference between a main method and other methods.
6. Name three things you can assign to a numeric variable.
7. Distinguish between the int and double data types.

## Objectives (cont.)

8. Explain what happens when an arithmetic expression uses both int and double values.
9. Name three things you can assign to a String variable.
10. Explain what an escape sequence is and when you would use one.
11. Explain what *importing a class* means and when you typically do that.
12. Explain what a static method is and how it differs from other methods.
13. Explain what the System.out object can be used for.
14. Explain what a Scanner object can be used for.
15. Explain what a Boolean expression is and when you might use one.
16. Explain how an if/else statement works and what it allows you to do.
17. Explain what it means for a variable to have block scope.

## Objectives (cont.)

18. Explain how a while loop works and what it allows you to do.
19. Describe the difference between testing an application and debugging an application.
20. Describe the difference between a compile-time error, a runtime error, and a logical error.

# A sample application

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class InvoiceApp {

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        // display a welcome message
        System.out.println(
            "Welcome to the Invoice Total Calculator");
        System.out.println(); // print a blank line

        // get the input from the user
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
        System.out.print("Enter subtotal: ");
        double subtotal = sc.nextDouble();

        // calculate the discount amount and total
        double discountPercent = .2;
        double discountAmount = subtotal * discountPercent;
        double invoiceTotal = subtotal - discountAmount;
    }
}
```

## A sample application (cont.)

```
// format and display the result
String message = "Discount percent: "
    + discountPercent + "\n"
    + "Discount amount:  " + discountAmount + "\n"
    + "Invoice total:    " + invoiceTotal + "\n";
System.out.println(message);
    }
}
```

# A block comment

```
/*  
 * Author: J. Murach  
 * Purpose: This program uses the console to get a subtotal  
 * from the user, and it calculates the discount amount and  
 * total and displays them.  
 */
```



## Valid identifiers

InvoiceApp	\$orderTotal	i
Invoice	_orderTotal	x
InvoiceApp2	input_string	TITLE
subtotal	_get_total	MONTHS_PER_YEAR
discountPercent	\$_64_Valid	

## The rules for naming an identifier

- Start each identifier with a letter, underscore, or dollar sign. Use letters, dollar signs, underscores, or digits for subsequent characters.
- Use up to 255 characters.
- Don't use Java keywords.

# Keywords

<code>boolean</code>	<code>if</code>	<code>interface</code>	<code>class</code>	<code>true</code>
<code>char</code>	<code>else</code>	<code>package</code>	<code>volatile</code>	<code>false</code>
<code>byte</code>	<code>final</code>	<code>switch</code>	<code>while</code>	<code>throws</code>
<code>float</code>	<code>private</code>	<code>case</code>	<code>return</code>	<code>native</code>
<code>void</code>	<code>protected</code>	<code>break</code>	<code>throw</code>	<code>implements</code>
<code>short</code>	<code>public</code>	<code>default</code>	<code>try</code>	<code>import</code>
<code>double</code>	<code>static</code>	<code>for</code>	<code>catch</code>	<code>synchronized</code>
<code>int</code>	<code>new</code>	<code>continue</code>	<code>finally</code>	<code>const</code>
<code>long</code>	<code>this</code>	<code>do</code>	<code>transient</code>	<code>goto</code>
<code>abstract</code>	<code>super</code>	<code>extends</code>	<code>instanceof</code>	<code>null</code>

# The syntax for declaring a class

```
public|private class ClassName {  
    statements  
}
```

# The syntax for declaring a main method

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    statements  
}
```

## A public class that contains a main() method

```
public class InvoiceApp { // declare and begin the class
    public static void main(String[] args){
        System.out.println(
            "Welcome to the Invoice Total Calculator");
    }
} // end the class
```

## The same class with different brace placement

```
public class InvoiceApp // declare the class
{ // begin the class
    public static void main(String[] args)
    {
        System.out.println(
            "Welcome to the Invoice Total Calculator");
    }
} // end the class
```

## The rules for naming a class

- Start the name with a capital letter.
- Use letters and digits only.
- Follow the other rules for naming an identifier.

## Recommendations for naming a class

- Start every word within a class name with an initial cap.
- Each class name should be a noun or a noun that's preceded by one or more adjectives.

# Two of the eight primitive data types

`int`

`double`

# How to declare a variable and assign a value in two statements

## Syntax

```
type variableName;  
variableName = value;
```

## Example

```
int counter;           // declaration statement  
counter = 1;           // assignment statement
```



# How to declare a variable and assign a value in one statement

## Syntax

```
type variableName = value;
```

## Examples

```
int counter = 1;           // declare and initialize
                             // an int variable
double unitPrice = 14.95;  // declare and initialize
                             // a double variable
```

## An example that uses assignment statements

```
int quantity = 0;           // declare and initialize
                             // an int variable
int maxQuantity = 100;      // declare and initialize
                             // another int variable

// two assignment statements
quantity = 10;              // quantity is now 10
quantity = maxQuantity;     // quantity is now 100
```

# Naming recommendations for variables

- Start variable names with a lowercase letter and capitalize the first letter in all words after the first word.
- Each variable name should be a noun or a noun preceded by one or more adjectives.
- Try to use meaningful names that are easy to remember.

# The basic operators for arithmetic expressions

Operator	Name
+	Addition
-	Subtraction
*	Multiplication
/	Division

# Statements that use simple arithmetic expressions

```
// integer arithmetic
int x = 14;
int y = 8;
int result1 = x + y;           // result1 = 22
int result2 = x - y;           // result2 = 6
int result3 = x * y;           // result3 = 112
int result4 = x / y;           // result4 = 1

// double arithmetic
double a = 8.5;
double b = 3.4;
double result5 = a + b;        // result5 = 11.9
double result6 = a - b;        // result6 = 5.1
double result7 = a * b;        // result7 = 28.9
double result8 = a / b;        // result8 = 2.5
```

## Statements that increment a counter variable

```
int invoiceCount = 0;  
invoiceCount = invoiceCount + 1;    // invoiceCount = 1  
invoiceCount = invoiceCount + 1;    // invoiceCount = 2
```

## Statements that add amounts to a total

```
double invoiceAmount1 = 150.25;  
double invoiceAmount2 = 100.75;  
double invoiceTotal = 0.0;  
invoiceTotal = invoiceTotal + invoiceAmount1;  
                                // invoiceTotal = 150.25  
invoiceTotal = invoiceTotal + invoiceAmount2;  
                                // invoiceTotal = 251.00
```

## Statements that mix int and double variables

```
double result9 = invoiceTotal / invoiceCount;  
                // result9 = 125.50  
int result10 = (int) invoiceTotal / invoiceCount;  
                // result10 = 125  
double result11 = (double) invoiceCount / 4;  
                // result11 = 0.5
```

# The syntax for declaring and initializing a string variable

```
String variableName = value;
```

## Statements that declare and initialize a string

```
String message1 = "Invalid data entry.";
String message2 = "";
String message3 = null;
```

## How to join strings

```
String firstName = "Bob";           // firstName is Bob
String lastName = "Smith";          // lastName is Smith
String name = firstName + " " + lastName;
                                     // name is Bob Smith
```

## How to join a string and a number

```
double price = 14.95;
String priceString = "Price: " + price;
```



## How to append one string to another with the + operator

```
firstName = "Bob";      // firstName is Bob
lastName = "Smith";    // lastName is Smith
name = firstName + " "; // name is Bob followed by a space
name = name + lastName; // name is Bob Smith
```

## How to append one string to another with the += operator

```
firstName = "Bob";      // firstName is Bob
lastName = "Smith";    // lastName is Smith
name = firstName + " "; // name is Bob followed by a space
name += lastName;       // name is Bob Smith
```

# Common escape sequences

`\n`

`\t`

`\r`

`\"`

`\\`

## A string with a new line

### String

```
"Code: JSP\nPrice: $49.50"
```

### Result

```
Code: JSP  
Price: $49.50
```

## A string with tabs and returns

### String

```
"Joe\tSmith\rKate\tLewis"
```

### Result

```
Joe      Smith  
Kate     Lewis
```

## A string with quotation marks

### String

```
"Type \"x\" to exit"
```

### Result

```
Type "x" to exit
```

## A string with a backslash

### String

```
"C:\\java\\files"
```

### Result

```
C:\java\files
```

# Common packages

`java.lang`

`java.util`

`java.text`

`java.time`

`java.io`

# How to import a single class from a package

## Syntax

```
import packagename.ClassName;
```

## Examples

```
import java.util.Scanner;  
import java.util.Date;  
import java.text.NumberFormat;
```

# How to import all classes in a package

## Syntax

```
import packagename.*;
```

## Examples

```
import java.util.*;  
import java.text.*;
```

# How to use the Scanner class to create an object

## With an import statement

```
Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
```

## Without an import statement

```
java.util.Scanner sc = new java.util.Scanner(System.in);
```

# How to create an object from a class

## Syntax

```
ClassName objectName = new ClassName(arguments);
```

## Examples

```
Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);  
                // creates a Scanner object named sc  
Date now = new Date();  
                // creates a Date object named now
```

# How to call a method from an object

## Syntax

```
objectName.methodName(arguments)
```

## Examples

```
double subtotal = sc.nextDouble();  
                // get a double entry from the console  
String currentDate = now.toString();  
                // convert the date to a string
```



# How to call a static method from a class

## Syntax

`ClassName.methodName(arguments)`

## Examples

```
String priceString = Double.toString(price);  
                        // convert a double to a string  
double total = Double.parseDouble(inputStr);  
                        // convert a string to a double
```

# The documentation for the Scanner class

The screenshot shows the Oracle Java Platform SE 8 API documentation for the `Scanner` class. The browser address bar shows `https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/docs/api/`. The left sidebar contains a list of packages and classes, with `Scanner` selected. The main content area displays the class documentation for `Scanner`, including its inheritance hierarchy, implemented interfaces, and a code example.

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java.util

## Class Scanner

java.lang.Object  
java.util.Scanner

**All Implemented Interfaces:**  
Closeable, AutoCloseable, Iterator<String>

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```
public final class Scanner
extends Object
implements Iterator<String>, Closeable
```

A simple text scanner which can parse primitive types and strings using regular expressions.

A Scanner breaks its input into tokens using a delimiter pattern, which by default matches whitespace. The resulting tokens may then be converted into values of different types using the various next methods.

For example, this code allows a user to read a number from `System.in`:

```
Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
int i = sc.nextInt();
```

## Two methods of the System.out object

```
println(data)
```

```
print(data)
```

### Code that uses the println() method

```
System.out.println(  
    "Welcome to the Invoice Total Calculator");  
System.out.println("Total: " + total);  
System.out.println(message);  
System.out.println();           // print a blank line
```

### Code that use the print() method

```
System.out.print("Total: ");  
System.out.print(total);  
System.out.print("\n");
```

# An application that prints data to the console

```
public class InvoiceApp {  
  
    public static void main(String[] args) {  
  
        // set and calculate the numeric values  
        double subtotal = 100;  
                                // set subtotal to 100  
        double discountPercent = .2;  
                                // set discountPercent to 20%  
        double discountAmount =  
            subtotal * discountPercent;  
        double invoiceTotal = subtotal - discountAmount;  
  
        // print the data to the console  
        System.out.println(  
            "Welcome to the Invoice Total Calculator");  
        System.out.println();  
        System.out.println(  
            "Subtotal:           " + subtotal);  
    }  
}
```

## An application that prints data to the console (cont.)

```
        System.out.println(
            "Discount percent: " + discountPercent);
        System.out.println(
            "Discount amount:  " + discountAmount);
        System.out.println(
            "Total:             " + invoiceTotal);
        System.out.println();
    }
}
```

# The console

```
Welcome to the Invoice Total Calculator
```

```
Subtotal:          100.0
```

```
Discount percent: 0.2
```

```
Discount amount:  20.0
```

```
Total:            80.0
```

# The Scanner class

`java.util.Scanner`

## How to create a Scanner object

```
Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
```

## Common methods of a Scanner object

```
next()  
nextInt()  
nextDouble()  
nextLine()
```

## How to use the methods of a Scanner object

```
String name = sc.next();  
int count = sc.nextInt();  
double subtotal = sc.nextDouble();  
String cityName = sc.nextLine();
```

### Note

- The Scanner class was introduced in version 1.5 of the JDK.



## Code that gets three values from the user

```
// create a Scanner object
Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);

// read a string
System.out.print("Enter product code: ");
String productCode = sc.next();

// read a double value
System.out.print("Enter price: ");
double price = sc.nextDouble();

// read an int value
System.out.print("Enter quantity: ");
int quantity = sc.nextInt();

// perform a calculation and display the result
double total = price * quantity;
System.out.println();
System.out.println(quantity + " " + productCode +
                    " @ " + price + " = " + total);
System.out.println();
```

## The console after the program finishes

```
Enter product code: cshp
```

```
Enter price: 49.50
```

```
Enter quantity: 2
```

```
2 cshp @ 49.5 = 99.0
```

## Code that reads three values from one line

```
// read three int values
System.out.print("Enter three integer values: ");
int i1 = sc.nextInt();
int i2 = sc.nextInt();
int i3 = sc.nextInt();

// calculate the average and display the result
int total = i1 + i2 + i3;
int avg = total / 3;
System.out.println("Average: " + avg);
System.out.println();
```

## The console after the program finishes

```
Enter three integer values: 99 88 92
Average: 93
```

# Relational operators

Operator	Name
==	Equality
!=	Inequality
>	Greater Than
<	Less Than
>=	Greater Than Or Equal
<=	Less Than Or Equal

# Examples of Boolean expressions

```
count == 5           // equal to a numeric literal
testScore != 0       // not equal to a numeric literal
years > 0            // greater than a numeric literal
i < months           // less than a numeric variable
subtotal >= 9.99     // greater than or equal to a numeric literal
quantity <= reorderPoint // less than or equal to a numeric variable
```

## Two methods of the String class

`equals(String)`

`equalsIgnoreCase(String)`

## Examples

```
userEntry.equals("Y") // equal to a string literal
```

```
userEntry.equalsIgnoreCase("Y")
```

```
                // equal to a string literal
```

```
!lastName.equals("Jones")
```

```
                // not equal to a string literal
```

```
code.equalsIgnoreCase(productCode)
```

```
                // equal to another string variable
```

# The syntax of the if/else statement

```
if (booleanExpression) { statements }  
[else if (booleanExpression) { statements }] ...  
[else { statements }]
```

# If statements without else if or else clauses

## With a single statement

```
double discountPercent = .1;
if (subtotal >= 100)
    discountPercent = .2;
```

## With a block of statements

```
double discountPercent = .1;
if (subtotal >= 100) {
    discountPercent = .2;
    status = "Bulk rate";
}
```



## An if statement with an else clause

```
double discountPercent = .1;
if (subtotal >= 100) {
    discountPercent = .2;
} else {
    discountPercent = .1;
}
```

## An if statement with else if and else clauses

```
double discountPercent = .1;
if (customerType.equals("T")) {
    discountPercent = .4;
} else if (customerType.equals("C")) {
    discountPercent = .2;
} else if (subtotal >= 100) {
    discountPercent = .2;
} else {
    discountPercent = .1;
}
```

# The syntax of the while loop

```
while (booleanExpression) {  
    statements  
}
```

## A loop that continues while choice is “y” or “Y”

```
Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
String choice = "y";
while (choice.equalsIgnoreCase("y")) {
    // get the invoice subtotal from the user
    System.out.print("Enter subtotal:  ");
    double subtotal = sc.nextDouble();

    // print the user input to the console
    System.out.println("You entered: " + subtotal);

    // see if the user wants to continue
    System.out.print("Continue? (y/n): ");
    choice = sc.next();
    System.out.println();
}
```

## A loop that calculates the sum of the numbers 1 through 4

```
int i = 1;
int sum = 0;
while (i < 5) {
    sum = sum + i;
    i = i + 1;
}
```

# The console for the Invoice application

```
Welcome to the Invoice Total Calculator
```

```
Enter subtotal:    150  
Discount percent: 0.1  
Discount amount:  15.0  
Invoice total:    135.0
```

```
Continue? (y/n):
```

# The code for the Invoice application

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class InvoiceApp {

    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println(
            "Welcome to the Invoice Total Calculator");
        System.out.println(); // print a blank line

        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);

        // perform invoice calculations until choice
        // isn't equal to "y" or "Y"
        String choice = "y";
        while (choice.equalsIgnoreCase("y")) {
            // get the invoice subtotal from the user
            System.out.print("Enter subtotal:   ");
            double subtotal = sc.nextDouble();
```

## The code for the Invoice application (cont.)

```
// calculate the discount amount and total
double discountPercent = 0.0;
if (subtotal >= 200) {
    discountPercent = .2;
} else if (subtotal >= 100) {
    discountPercent = .1;
} else {
    discountPercent = 0.0;
}
double discountAmount =
    subtotal * discountPercent;
double total = subtotal - discountAmount;

// display the results
String message = "Discount percent: "
    + discountPercent + "\n"
    + "Discount amount: "
    + discountAmount + "\n"
    + "Invoice total: "
    + total + "\n";
System.out.println(message);
```

## The code for the Invoice application (cont.)

```
        // see if the user wants to continue
        System.out.print("Continue? (y/n): ");
        choice = sc.next();
        System.out.println();
    }
}
```



## The console for the Test Score application

```
Enter test scores that range from 0 to 100.  
To end the program, enter 999.
```

```
Enter score: 90  
Enter score: 80  
Enter score: 75  
Enter score: 999
```

```
Score count:    3  
Score total:    245  
Average score: 81.66666666666667
```

# The code for the Test Score application

```
import java.util.Scanner;

public class TestScoreApp {

    public static void main(String[] args) {

        System.out.println(
            "Enter test scores that range from 0 to 100.");
        System.out.println(
            "To end the program, enter 999.");
        System.out.println(); // print a blank line

        // initialize variables and create a Scanner object
        int scoreTotal = 0;
        int scoreCount = 0;
        int testScore = 0;
        Scanner sc = new Scanner(System.in);
```

## The code for the Test Score application (cont.)

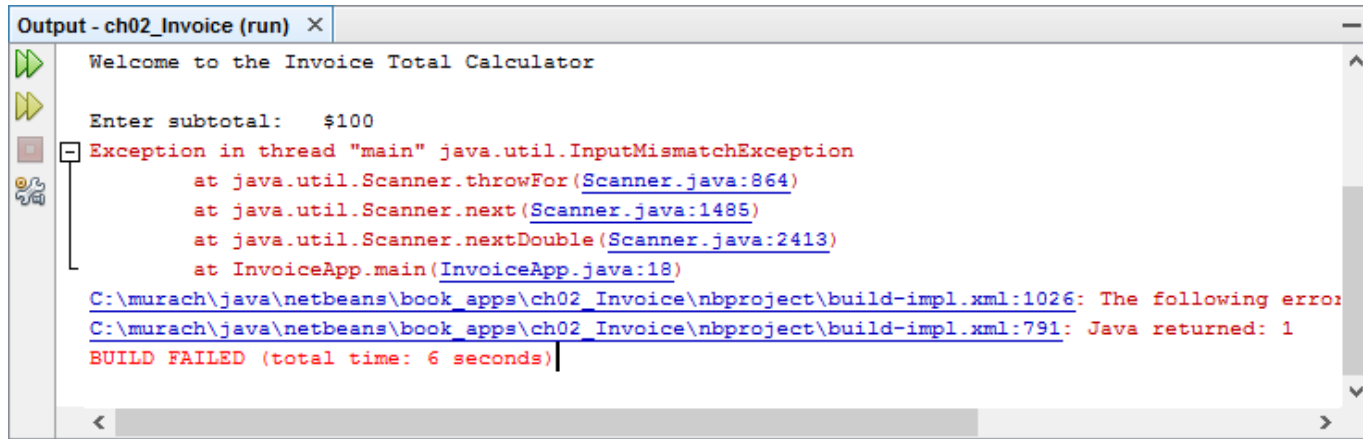
```
// get a series of test scores from the user
while (testScore <= 100) {
    // get the input from the user
    System.out.print("Enter score: ");
    testScore = sc.nextInt();

    // accumulate score count and score total
    if (testScore <= 100) {
        scoreCount = scoreCount + 1;
        scoreTotal = scoreTotal + testScore;
    }
}
```

## The code for the Test Score application (cont.)

```
// display the score count, score total,  
// and average score  
double averageScore =  
    (double) scoreTotal / scoreCount;  
String message = "\n"  
    + "Score count:    " + scoreCount + "\n"  
    + "Score total:    " + scoreTotal + "\n"  
    + "Average score:  " + averageScore + "\n";  
System.out.println(message);  
}  
}
```

# A runtime error that occurred while testing the Invoice application

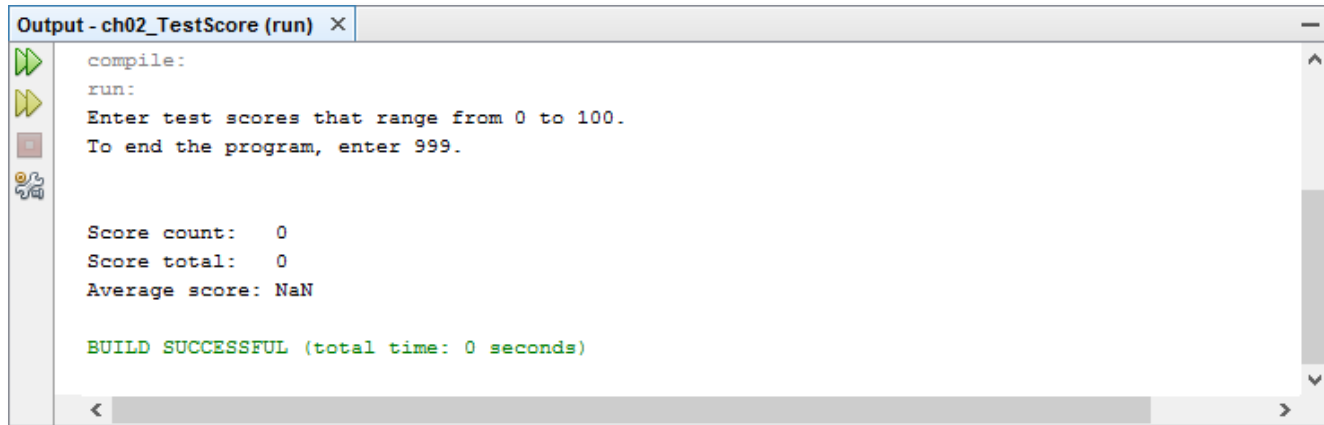


The screenshot shows an IDE output window titled "Output - ch02\_Invoice (run)". The window contains the following text:

```
Welcome to the Invoice Total Calculator  
Enter subtotal:  $100  
Exception in thread "main" java.util.InputMismatchException  
    at java.util.Scanner.throwFor(Scanner.java:864)  
    at java.util.Scanner.next(Scanner.java:1485)  
    at java.util.Scanner.nextDouble(Scanner.java:2413)  
    at InvoiceApp.main(InvoiceApp.java:18)  
C:\murach\java\netbeans\book_apps\ch02_Invoice\nbproject\build-impl.xml:1026: The following error:  
C:\murach\java\netbeans\book_apps\ch02_Invoice\nbproject\build-impl.xml:791: Java returned: 1  
BUILD FAILED (total time: 6 seconds)
```

The error is a `java.util.InputMismatchException` occurring in the `main` thread. The stack trace indicates the error originated in `InvoiceApp.main` at line 18, which called `Scanner.nextDouble`. The exception was thrown from `Scanner.next` at line 1485, which in turn called `Scanner.throwFor` at line 864. The error message also indicates that the build failed with a total time of 6 seconds.

# Incorrect output produced by the Test Score application



The screenshot shows an IDE output window titled "Output - ch02\_TestScore (run)". On the left side of the window, there are four icons: a green play button, a yellow play button, a red stop button, and a bug icon. The output text is as follows:

```
compile:
run:
Enter test scores that range from 0 to 100.
To end the program, enter 999.

Score count:    0
Score total:    0
Average score: NaN

BUILD SUCCESSFUL (total time: 0 seconds)
```

## Debugging tips

- For a runtime error, go to the line in the source code that was running when the program crashed. In most IDEs, you can do that by clicking on the link to the line of source code. That should give you a strong indication of what caused the error.
- For a logical error, first figure out how the source code produced that output. Then, fix the code and test the application again.