

# Java catch multiple exceptions

## Java Multi catch block

If you have to perform different tasks at the occurrence of different Exceptions, use java multi catch block.

Let's see a simple example of java multi-catch block.

```
public class TestMultipleCatchBlock{  
    public static void main(String args[]){  
        try{  
            int a[]=new int[5];  
            a[5]=30/0;  
        }  
        catch(ArithmeticException e)  
        {System.out.println("task1 is completed");}  
        catch(ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException e)  
        {System.out.println("task 2 completed");}  
        catch(Exception e)  
        {System.out.println("common task completed");}  
  
        System.out.println("rest of the code...");  
    }  
}
```

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```
Output:task1 completed  
       rest of the code...
```

**Rule: At a time only one Exception is occurred and at a time only one catch block is executed.**

**Rule: All catch blocks must be ordered from most specific to most general i.e. catch for `ArithmeticException` must come before catch for `Exception` .**

```
class TestMultipleCatchBlock1{
    public static void main(String args[]){
        try{
            int a[]=new int[5];
            a[5]=30/0;
        }
        catch(Exception e)
        {System.out.println("common task completed");}
        catch(ArithmeticException e)
        {System.out.println("task1 is completed");}
        catch(ArrayIndexOutOfBoundsException e)
        {System.out.println("task 2 completed");}
        System.out.println("rest of the code...");
    }
}
```

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Output:

Compile-time error

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