[Apache Maven](https://maven.apache.org/) is a popular build tool, that takes your project’s Java source code, compiles it, tests it and converts it into an executable Java program: either a .jar or a .war file.

mvn clean install is the command to do just that.

1. You are calling the mvn executable, which means you need Maven installed on your machine. (see [How do you install Maven?](https://www.marcobehler.com/guides/mvn-clean-install-a-short-guide-to-maven#_how_do_you_install_maven))
2. You are using the clean command, which will delete all previously compiled Java .class files and resources (like .properties) in your project. Your build will start from a clean slate.
3. Install will then compile, test & package your Java project and even install/copy your built .jar/.war file into your local Maven repository. (see [A look at the Maven build lifecycle: phases](https://www.marcobehler.com/guides/mvn-clean-install-a-short-guide-to-maven#_a_look_at_the_maven_build_lifecycle_phases))

[mvn clean install - a short guide to Maven (marcobehler.com)](https://www.marcobehler.com/guides/mvn-clean-install-a-short-guide-to-maven)