

If and Switch Statements

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if and if-else statements¹:

One statement	multiple statements
<code>If (condition) statement;</code>	<code>If (condition){ statement1; statement2; statement3; }</code>
<p><i>on 2 lines:</i></p> <code>if (condition) statement; else statement;</code> <p><i>on 4 lines:</i></p> <code> if (condition) statement; else statement;</code>	<code>If (condition){ statement1; statement2; statement3; } else{ statement1; statement2; statement3; }</code>

switch statement:

← not on test 3.

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switch (expression) {
    case label1:
        statements(s);
        break;
    case label2:
        statements(s);
        break;
    case label3:
        statements(s);
        break;
    .
    .
    .
    default:
        statements(s);
}
```

How the switch executes: The *expression* in the first line of the code is compared to the case labels. (*label1*, *label2*, etc). If the *expression* matches the label, then the corresponding statement(s) of that case is executed. The *break* statement causes the interpreter to skip down to the end of the switch after the close bracket. If none of the labels match, then the *default* statement(s) is executed.

¹ Similar to the if statement is the **conditional operator** of the form:

`(condition) ? trueValue : falseValue.`

If the condition is true then the trueValue is returned otherwise falseValue is returned.