

Working with Conditionals



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    <code A>  
} else {  
    <code B>  
}
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Agenda



"If" syntax

"If" in practice

Simple initialization

Switch syntax

Switch in practice

Breaking and fallthrough

"If" and error handling

Recap



“If” Syntax



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Multiple `else if` statements and a single `else`

Switch and Case Syntax



switch

Similar to “If”

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switch <simple-statement>; <expression> {  
case <value>: <code>  
case <value>: <code>  
case <value>: <code>  
default: <code>  
}
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```
switch "Kubernetes Deep Dive" {  
case "Kubernetes Deep Dive": code-A  
case "K8s Deep Dive": code-B  
case "Docker Networking": code-C  
default: <code>  
}
```

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Breaking and Falthrough



“If” and Error Handling



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Single `else`

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func Open(name string) (*File, error) {  
    _, err := os.Open("./test.txt")  
  
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```
func Open(name string) (*File, error) {  
    _, err := os.Open("./test.txt")  
  
    if err != nil {  
        fmt.Println("This is the error code:", err)  
    }  
}
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switch <expression> {  
case <value>: <code> <implicit break>  
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case <value>: <code> <implicit break>  
case <value>: <code> <implicit break>  
default: <code>  
}
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Similar to “If”


```
switch <expression> {  
  case <value>: <code> fallthrough  
  case <value>: <code> <implicit break>  
  case <value>: <code> <implicit break>  
  case <value>: <code> <implicit break>  
  default: <code>  
}
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