

# Variables and literals

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[1]: // Mutable variables using `var`  
var greeting: String = "Welcome"  
println(greeting)  
greeting = "Goodbye"  
println(greeting)
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Welcome

Goodbye

greeting = Goodbye

greeting = Goodbye

[1]: Goodbye

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[2]: // Immutable variables using `val`  
val number: Int = 10  
println(number)  
number = 20 // This would cause a compilation error
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[3]: // Examples of integer literals  
val decimal: Int = 42 // Decimal literal  
val hex: Int = 0x2A // Hexadecimal literal  
val binary: Int = Integer.parseInt("101010", 2) // Binary literal (converted  
↳ from binary string)  
val longNumber: Long = 123456789L // Long literal  
println(s"Decimal: $decimal, Hex: $hex, Binary: $binary, Long: $longNumber")
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Decimal: 42, Hex: 42, Binary: 42, Long: 123456789

decimal = 42

hex = 42

binary = 42

longNumber = 123456789

[3]: 123456789

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[4]: // Examples of floating-point literals
val pi: Float = 3.14f           // Float literal
val scientific: Double = 1.2e-5 // Scientific notation (Double)
val shortForm: Float = .5f      // Short form
val doubleVal: Double = 10.0
println(s"Pi: $pi, Scientific: $scientific, Short Form: $shortForm, Double: $doubleVal")
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Pi: 3.14, Scientific: 1.2E-5, Short Form: 0.5, Double: 10.0

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pi = 3.14
scientific = 1.2E-5
shortForm = 0.5
doubleVal = 10.0
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[ ]: // Examples of Boolean literals
val isActive: Boolean = true
val isComplete: Boolean = false
println(s"Is Active: $isActive, Is Complete: $isComplete")
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[ ]: // Examples of Character literals
val letter: Char = 'X'
val newline: Char = '\n'
println(s"Letter: $letter, Newline: ${newline}Here")
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[ ]: // Examples of String literals
val simpleString: String = "Scala is great!"
val escapedString: String = "This is a \"quoted\" string."
val multilineString: String = """This string spans
multiple lines."""
println(simpleString)
println(escapedString)
println(multilineString)
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[ ]: // Null value examples
val nullableString: String = null
val nullableInt: Integer = null
println(s"Nullable String: $nullableString, Nullable Int: $nullableInt")
// Output:
// Nullable String: null, Nullable Int: null
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