

# Java Keywords and Their Uses

**abstract:** Defines abstract classes or methods that must be implemented by subclasses.

**assert:** Used for debugging to test assumptions in code.

**boolean:** Defines a variable type with true or false values.

**break:** Exits from a loop or switch statement.

**byte:** Defines a variable of 8-bit integer type.

**case:** Defines a branch in a switch statement.

**catch:** Handles exceptions in a try block.

**char:** Defines a variable that stores a single character.

**class:** Defines a class in Java.

**const:** Reserved keyword, not used.

**continue:** Skips current loop iteration and continues to next iteration.

**default:** Specifies a block of code that runs if no case matches in a switch.

**do:** Executes a block of code once, then repeats while condition is true.

**double:** Defines a variable for double-precision floating-point numbers.

**else:** Specifies a block to execute if an if condition is false.

**enum:** Defines a set of constant values (enumeration).

**extends:** Indicates inheritance between classes.

**final:** Prevents inheritance, modification, or method overriding.

**finally:** Executes code after a try/catch block regardless of exceptions.

**float:** Defines a variable for single-precision floating-point numbers.

**for:** Creates a for loop for iteration.

**goto:** Reserved keyword, not used in Java.

**if:** Executes a block if a specified condition is true.

**implements:** Indicates that a class implements an interface.

**import:** Imports other packages or classes.

**instanceof:** Tests if an object is an instance of a specific class.

**int:** Defines a variable of integer type (32-bit).

**interface:** Declares an interface in Java.

**long:** Defines a variable of long integer type (64-bit).

**native:** Specifies that a method is implemented in native code (C/C++).

**new:** Creates a new object instance.

**null:** Represents the null reference (no object).

**package:** Defines a namespace for classes.

**private:** Access modifier for class members accessible only within the class.

**protected:** Access modifier for members accessible within the package and subclasses.

**public:** Access modifier allowing access from any class.

**return:** Exits a method and optionally returns a value.

**short:** Defines a variable of short integer type (16-bit).

**static:** Indicates that a variable or method belongs to the class, not instances.

**strictfp:** Ensures consistent floating-point calculations across platforms.

**super:** Refers to the superclass of the current object.

**switch:** Selects one block of code to execute based on a value.

**synchronized:** Prevents thread interference by locking methods or blocks.

**this:** Refers to the current object instance.

**throw:** Used to throw an exception.

**throws:** Declares the exceptions a method can throw.

**transient:** Prevents a variable from being serialized.

**try:** Defines a block to test for exceptions.

**void:** Specifies that a method does not return any value.

**volatile:** Indicates a variable may change unexpectedly (used in multithreading).

**while:** Executes a block repeatedly while a condition is true.

**true:** Boolean literal representing truth.

**false:** Boolean literal representing falsehood.