

# Whitespace

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## What is whitespace?

- Whitespace is any extra spacing, horizontally or vertically, placed around Java source code.
- It's usually added for human readability purposes.
- In Java, all these extra spaces are ignored.

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So Java treats code like this:

```
int anotherVariable=50;myVariable--; System.out.println("myVariable = "+myVariable );
```

The same as code like this:

```
int anotherVariable=50;  
myVariable--;  
System.out.println("myVariable = "+myVariable );
```

# Whitespace Coding Conventions

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Code conventions for whitespace do exist, which you can refer to for more detail.

The Google Java Style Guide which was seen previously in this course, has a section on whitespace, so refer to that for more information, and the link to that is again in the resources section of this video.