Boolean Expressions



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Recall that a boolean expression is one that evaluates to either true or false. We can use these expressions to determine the flow of our control statements.



In programs, we usually need to do one set of code if something is true, and a different set of code if that something isn't true.

This is where the if statement comes in.



The key is understanding how to test if things are true.

To do that, we use expressions and relational operators to compare things.



Example: The user can enter a number for a radius of a circle so we can calculate area.

But if they enter a negative number, we print out an error message.



Conceptually:

- 1. User enters a number.
- 2. If the number is less than 0,

Print out an error message

Otherwise

Calculate the area



Relational Operators

- The six relational operators (listed in following slide) are used to compare operands which are primitive data types.
- Operands may be literals, variables, arithmetic expressions, or keywords.



Relational Operators

Example:

```
if (value < 0)
{
    Console.WriteLine("Please do not use negative numbers.");
}
else
{
    double area = Math.PI * value * value;
    Console.WriteLine(area);
}</pre>
```



Relational Operators

Operator	Name
==	Equality
!=	Inequality
>	Greater Than
<	Less Than
>=	Greater Than or Equal
<=	Less Than or Equal



Example On Boolean Expressions

```
discountPercent == 2.3 // equal to a numeric literal
letter == 'y' // equal to a char literal
isValid == false // equal to the false value
subtotal != 0 // not equal to a numeric literal
years > 0 // greater than a numeric literal
i < months // less than a variable
subtotal >= 500 // greater than or equal to a numeric literal
quantity <= reorderPoint // less than or equal to a variable
isValid // isValid is equal to true
!isValid // isValid is equal to false</pre>
```



Logical Operators

Operator	Name
&&	And
П	Or
· !	Not



Selection Statements

- If Statement
- Switch Statement
- Ternary Operator



The If Statement

An if statement identifies which statement to run based on the value of a Boolean expression. Example:



The Switch Statement

The switch statement is a control statement that selects a switch section to execute from a list of candidates. Example:

```
int caseSwitch = 1;
switch (caseSwitch)
  { case 1: Console.WriteLine("Case 1");
    break;
    case 2: Console.WriteLine("Case 2");
    break;
    default: Console.WriteLine("Default case");
    break;}
```



The Conditional Operator

The Conditional Operator may be used in provide a conditional value.

```
(condition) ? value-if-true : value-if-false
```

(num % 2 == 0) ? "Even" : "Odd"

Also known as the "ternary operator)

(Only operator with 3 parameters)

