

Critical thinking skills

1. Identifiers

a) Legal identifier names

(legal = starts with letter or `_` , no spaces, not starting with number)

`totalScore`

`myName`

`value1`

`_count`

b) Illegal identifier names (and why)

Illegal Name Why it's illegal

`2value` cannot start with a number

`my name` spaces are not allowed

`double` is a reserved Java keyword

`%mark` cannot start with a symbol like `%`

2. Declaring numBeads

a) two statements

```
int numBeads;  
numBeads = 5;
```

b) one statement

```
int numBeads = 5;
```

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3. Trace the value

a)

```
int myNumber = 5;  
int yourNumber = 4;  
myNumber = yourNumber + 2;    // (yourNumber is 4 → 4+2 = 6)  
yourNumber = myNumber + 5;    // (myNumber is 6 → 6+5 = 11)
```

Final value of yourNumber = 11

b)

```
int myNumber;  
int yourNumber = 4;  
myNumber = yourNumber + 7;    // 4+7 = 11  
yourNumber = myNumber;        // now yourNumber = 11
```

Final value of yourNumber = 11

4. Pick data types

Value description	Data type
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|------------------------------|---------|
| a) number of basketballs | int |
| b) price of a basketball | double |
| c) number of players on team | int |
| d) average age | double |
| e) did they get a jersey? | boolean |
| f) first initial | char |

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5. Short concept answers

a)

Primitive = built-in simple data type (int, double, boolean, char)

Abstract (or reference/class type) = more complex, made from classes (String, Scanner, etc.)

b)

Class = the blueprint or template

Object = a specific “thing” made from that class (like an instance)

Example:

Class: Car

Object: my 2020 Honda Civic (that is one specific car)

11)

`y = (int)(j * k); // turn it into int`

`z = j + k; // just do it, double is fine`