

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)

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y = (int)(j * k); // turn it into int  
z = j + k;      // just do it, double is fine
```