



C++ cheatsheet

C++ quick reference cheat sheet that provides basic syntax and methods.

Getting Started

hello.cpp

```
#include <iostream>

int main() {
    std::cout << "Hello QuickRef\n";
    return 0;
}
```

Compiling and running

```
$ g++ hello.cpp -o hello
$ ./hello
Hello QuickRef
```

Variables

```
int number = 5;           // Integer
float f = 0.95;           // Floating number
double PI = 3.14159;      // Floating number
char yes = 'Y';           // Character
std::string s = "ME";     // String (text)
bool isRight = true;       // Boolean

// Constants
const float RATE = 0.8;

int age {25};             // Since C++11
std::cout << age;         // Print 25
```

Primitive Data Types		
Data Type	Size	Range
int	4 bytes	-2 ³¹ to 2 ³¹ -1
float	4 bytes	N/A
double	8 bytes	N/A
char	1 byte	-128 to 127
bool	1 byte	true / false
void	N/A	N/A
wchar_t	2 or 4 bytes	1 wide character

User Input

```
int num;

std::cout << "Type a number: ";
std::cin >> num;

std::cout << "You entered " << num;
```

Swap

```
int a = 5, b = 10;
std::swap(a, b);

// Outputs: a=10, b=5
std::cout << "a=" << a << ", b=" << b;
```

Comments

```
// A single one line comment in C++
/*
 * This is a multiple line comment
 * in C++ */

```

If statement

```
if (a == 10) {
    // do something
}
```

See: [Conditionals](#)

Loops

```
for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
    std::cout << i << "\n";
}
```

See: [Loops](#)

Functions

```
#include <iostream>

void hello(); // Declaring

int main() { // main function
    hello(); // Calling
}

void hello() { // Defining
    std::cout << "Hello QuickRef!\n";
}
```

See: [Functions](#)

References

```
int i = 1;
int& ri = i; // ri is a reference to i

ri = 2; // i is now changed to 2
std::cout << "i=" << i;

i = 3; // i is now changed to 3
std::cout << "ri=" << ri;
```

ri and i refer to the same memory location.

Namespaces

```
#include <iostream>
namespace ns1 {int val(){return 5;}}
int main()
{
    std::cout << ns1::val();
}

#include <iostream>
namespace ns1 {int val(){return 5;}}
using namespace ns1;
using namespace std;
int main()
{
    cout << val();
}
```

Namespaces allow global identifiers under a name

C++ Arrays

Declaration

```
std::array<int, 3> marks; // Definition
marks[0] = 92;
```

Manipulation

92	97	98	99	98	94
----	----	----	----	----	----

Displaying

```
char ref[5] = {'R', 'e', 'f'};
```

```

marks[1] = 97;
marks[2] = 98;

// Define and initialize
std::array<int, 3> marks = {92, 97, 98};

// With empty members
std::array<int, 3> marks = {92, 97};
std::cout << marks[2]; // Outputs: 0

```

0 1 2 3 4 5

```

std::array<int, 6> marks = {92, 97, 98, 99};

// Print first element
std::cout << marks[0];

// Change 2th element to 99
marks[1] = 99;

// Take input from the user
std::cin >> marks[2];

```

```

// Range based for loop
for (const int &n : ref) {
    std::cout << std::string(1, n);
}

// Traditional for loop
for (int i = 0; i < sizeof(ref); ++i) {
    std::cout << ref[i];
}

```

Multidimensional

	j0	j1	j2	j3	j4	j5
i0	1	2	3	4	5	6
i1	6	5	4	3	2	1

```

int x[2][6] = {
    {1,2,3,4,5,6}, {6,5,4,3,2,1}
};
for (int i = 0; i < 2; ++i) {
    for (int j = 0; j < 6; ++j) {
        std::cout << x[i][j] << " ";
    }
}
// Outputs: 1 2 3 4 5 6 6 5 4 3 2 1

```

C++ Conditionals

If Clause

```

if (a == 10) {
    // do something
}

int number = 16;

if (number % 2 == 0)
{
    std::cout << "even";
}
else
{
    std::cout << "odd";
}

// Outputs: even

```

Else if Statement

```

int score = 99;
if (score == 100) {
    std::cout << "Superb";
}
else if (score >= 90) {
    std::cout << "Excellent";
}
else if (score >= 80) {
    std::cout << "Very Good";
}
else if (score >= 70) {
    std::cout << "Good";
}
else if (score >= 60)
    std::cout << "OK";
else
    std::cout << "What?";

```

Operators

Relational Operators	
a == b	a is equal to b
a != b	a is NOT equal to b
a < b	a is less than b
a > b	a is greater b
a <= b	a is less than or equal to b
a >= b	a is greater or equal to b

Assignment Operators	
a += b	Aka a = a + b
a -= b	Aka a = a - b
a *= b	Aka a = a * b
a /= b	Aka a = a / b
a %= b	Aka a = a % b

Logical Operators	
exp1 && exp2	Both are true (AND)
exp1 exp2	Either is true (OR)
!exp	exp is false (NOT)

Bitwise Operators	
a & b	Binary AND
a b	Binary OR
a ^ b	Binary XOR
~ a	Binary One's Complement
a << b	Binary Shift Left
a >> b	Binary Shift Right

Ternary Operator

```

Result = Condition ? Exp1 : Exp2;
      _____
     [ True ]
Result = Condition ? Exp1 : Exp2;
      _____
     [ False ]

```

```

int x = 3, y = 5, max;
max = (x > y) ? x : y;

// Outputs: 5
std::cout << max << std::endl;

int x = 3, y = 5, max;
if (x > y) {
    max = x;
} else {
    max = y;
}
// Outputs: 5
std::cout << max << std::endl;

```

Switch Statement

```

int num = 2;
switch (num) {
    case 0:
        std::cout << "Zero";
        break;
    case 1:
        std::cout << "One";
        break;
    case 2:
        std::cout << "Two";
        break;
    case 3:
        std::cout << "Three";
        break;
    default:
        std::cout << "What?";
        break;
}

```

C++ Loops

While

Do-while

Continue statements

```

int i = 0;
while (i < 6) {
    std::cout << i++;
}

// Outputs: 012345

```

```

int i = 1;
do {
    std::cout << i++;
} while (i <= 5);

// Outputs: 12345

```

```

for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++) {
    if (i % 2 == 0) {
        continue;
    }
    std::cout << i;
} // Outputs: 13579

```

Infinite loop

```

while (true) { // true or 1
    std::cout << "infinite loop";
}

for (;;) {
    std::cout << "infinite loop";
}

for(int i = 1; i > 0; i++) {
    std::cout << "infinite loop";
}

```

for_each (Since C++11)

```

#include <iostream>

int main()
{
    auto print = [] (int num) { std::cout << num };

    std::array<int, 4> arr = {1, 2, 3, 4};
    std::for_each(arr.begin(), arr.end(),
                 print);
}

```

Range-based (Since C++11)

```

for (int n : {1, 2, 3, 4, 5}) {
    std::cout << n << " ";
}

// Outputs: 1 2 3 4 5

std::string hello = "QuickRef.ME";
for (char c: hello)
{
    std::cout << c << " ";
}

// Outputs: Q u i c k R e f . M E

```

Break statements

```

int password, times = 0;
while (password != 1234) {
    if (times++ >= 3) {
        std::cout << "Locked!\n";
        break;
    }
    std::cout << "Password: ";
    std::cin >> password; // input
}

```

Several variations

```

for (int i = 0, j = 2; i < 3; i++, j--){
    std::cout << "i=" << i << ",";
    std::cout << "j=" << j << ",";
}
// Outputs: i=0,j=2;i=1,j=1;i=2,j=0;

```

C++ Functions

Arguments & Returns

```

#include <iostream>

int add(int a, int b) {
    return a + b;
}

int main() {
    std::cout << add(10, 20);
}

add is a function taking 2 ints and returning int

```

Overloading

```

void fun(string a, string b) {
    std::cout << a + " " + b;
}

void fun(string a) {
    std::cout << a;
}

void fun(int a) {
    std::cout << a;
}

```

Built-in Functions

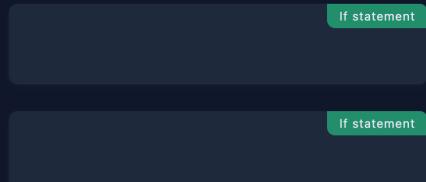
```

#include <iostream>
#include <cmath> // import library

int main() {
    // sqrt() is from cmath
    std::cout << sqrt(9);
}

```

C++ Classes & Objects



C++ Preprocessor

Preprocessor	
if	elif
else	endif
ifdef	ifndef
define	undef
include	line
error	pragma
defined	__has_include
__has_cpp_attribute	export

Includes
#include "iostream" #include <iostream>

Defines
#define FOO #define FOO "hello"
#undef FOO

Error

```

#ifndef VERSION == 2.0
    #error Unsupported
    #warning Not really supported
#endif

```

import	module	#endif	Macro
#define DST(name) name##_s name##_t DST(object); #=> object_s object_t;	Token concat	#define STR(name) #name char * a = STR(object); #=> char * a = "	Stringification

Miscellaneous

Escape Sequences		Keywords				
\b	Backspace	alignas	alignof	and	and_eq	asm
\f	Form feed	atomic_cancel	atomic_commit	atomic_noexcept	auto	bitand
\n	Newline	bitor	bool	break	case	catch
\r	Return	char	char8_t	char16_t	char32_t	class
\t	Horizontal tab	compl	concept	const	constexpr	constexpr
\v	Vertical tab	constinit	const_cast	continue	co_await	co_return
\\\	Backslash	co_yield	decltype	default	delete	do
\'	Single quotation mark	double	dynamic_cast	else	enum	explicit
\"	Double quotation mark	export	extern	false	float	for
\?	Question mark	friend	goto	if	inline	int
\0	Null Character	long	mutable	namespace	new	noexcept
Preprocessor		not	not_eq	nullptr	operator	or
if	elif	or_eq	private	protected	public	refexpr
else	endif	register	reinterpret_cast	requires	return	short
ifdef	ifndef	signed	sizeof	static	static_assert	static_cast
define	undef	struct	switch	synchronized	template	this
include	line	thread_local	throw	true	try	typedef
error	pragma	typeid	typename	union	unsigned	using
defined	__has_include	virtual	void	volatile	wchar_t	while
__has_cpp_attribute	export	xor	xor_eq	final	override	transaction_safe_dynamic
import	module					

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