

This statement is used to return a value from a function and indicates the finishing of a function. This statement is basically used in functions to return the results of the operations performed by a function.

	1	#include <iostream></iostream>	Header File
2		using namespace std;	Standard Namespace
3		int main()	Main Function
FUNCTION BODY	4	{	
	5	int num1 = 24; int num2 = 34;	Declaration of Variable
	6	int result = num1 + num2;	Expressions
	7	cout << result << endl;	Output
	8	return 0;	Return Statement
	9	}	

C++ Variables

Variables in C++ is a name given to a memory location. It is the basic unit of storage in a program.

The value stored in a variable can be changed during program execution.

A variable is only a name given to a memory location, all the operations done on the variable effects that memory location. In C++, all the variables must be declared before use.

A typical variable declaration is of the form:

```
// Declaring a single variable
type variable_name;

// Declaring multiple variables:
type variable1_name, variable2_name, variable3_name;
```

A variable name can consist of alphabets (both upper and lower case), numbers, and the underscore '_' character. However, the name must not start with a number.

Rules for declaring a variable:

- 1. The name of the variable contains letters, digits, and underscores.
- 2. The name of the variable is case sensitive (ex Arr and arr both are different variables).
- 3. The name of the variable does not contain any whitespace and special characters (ex #,\$,%,*, etc).
- 4. All the variable names must begin with a letter of the alphabet or an underscore(_).
- 5. We cannot used C++ keyword(ex float,double,class)as a variable name.

Valid variable names:

```
int x; //can be letters
int _yz; //can be underscores
int z40;//can be letters
```

Invalid variable names:

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int 89; Should not be a number
int a b; //Should not contain any whitespace
int double;// C++ keyword CAN NOT BE USED
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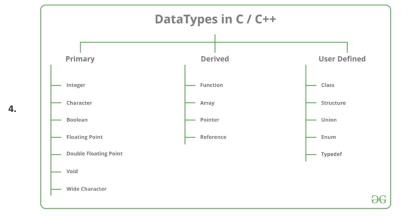
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// C++ program to show difference between
// definition and declaration of a
// variable
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main()
    // this is declaration of variable a
    int a;
    // this is initialisation of a
    a = 10;
    // this is definition = declaration + initialisation
    int b = 20;
    // declaration and definition
    // of variable 'a123' char a123 = 'a';
    // This is also both declaration and definition // as 'c' is allocated memory and
    // assigned some garbage value.
    float c;
    // multiple declarations and definitions
    int _c, _d45, e;
    // Let us print a variable
    cout << a123 << endl;
    return 0;
```

Data Types:

All <u>variables</u> use data type during declaration to restrict the type of data to be stored. Therefore, we can say that data types are used to tell the variables the type of data they can store.

C++ supports the following data types:

- 1. Primary or Built-in or Fundamental data type
- 2. Derived data types
- 3. User-defined data types



Data Type	Size (in bytes)	Range
short int	2	-32,768 to 32,767
unsigned short int	2	0 to 65,535
unsigned int	4	0 to 4,294,967,295
int	4	-2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647

long int	4	-2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647
unsigned long int	4	0 to 4,294,967,295
long long int	8	-(2^63) to (2^63)-1
unsigned long long int	8	0 to 18,446,744,073,709,551,615
signed char	1	-128 to 127
unsigned char	1	0 to 255
float	4	-3.4×10^38 to 3.4×10^38
double	8	-1.7×10^308 to1.7×10^308
long double	12	-1.1×10^4932 to1.1×10^4932
wchar_t	2 or 4	1 wide character

Note: Above values may vary from compiler to compiler. In the above example, we have considered GCC 32 bit.

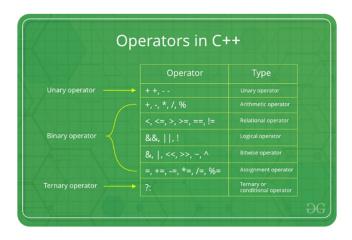
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// C++ Program to Demonstrate the correct size
// of various data types on your computer.
#include <iostream>
using namespace std;
int main()
{
    cout << "Size of char : " << sizeof(char) << endl;
    cout << "Size of int : " << sizeof(int) << endl;
    cout << "Size of long : " << sizeof(long) << endl;
    cout << "Size of float : " << sizeof(float) << endl;
    cout << "Size of double : " << sizeof(double) << endl;
    return 0;
}</pre>
```

Operators in C++:

An **operator** is a symbol that operates on a value to perform specific mathematical or logical computations.

Operators in C++ can be classified into 6 types:

- 1. Arithmetic Operators
- 2. Relational Operators
- 3. Logical Operators
- 4. Bitwise Operators
- 5. Assignment Operators
- 6. Ternary or Conditional Operators



Next Chapter:

C++ Control Statements

- C++ if Statement
- C++ if-else Statement
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- <u>C++ Nested if-else Statement</u>
- <u>C++ Switch Statement</u>
- C++ Loops
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- C++ while Loop
- <u>C++ do...while Loop</u>

