

# C# for Visual Basic .NET Developers

Basic C# Syntax

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```
' Changing the following code will  
' change the world. Okay - just your  
' world and you can kiss your nights  
' and weekends goodbye.
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```
/*
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```



```
*/
```



```
/**  
if (index > 0)  
{  
    System.Diagnostics.Debug.WriteLine("Index above zero.");  
}  
**/
```





```
/*  
if (index > 0)  
{  
    System.Diagnostics.Debug.WriteLine("Index above zero.");  
}  
// */
```

```
/**  
if (index > 0)  
{  
    System.Diagnostics.Debug.WriteLine("Index above zero.");  
}  
/**/
```

```
Private _boolean As Boolean
Private _byte As Byte
Private _sbyte As SByte
Private _char As Char
Private _date As Date
Private _decimal As Decimal
Private _double As Double
Private _integer As Integer
Private _uinteger As UInteger
Private _long As Long
Private _ulong As ULong
Private _short As Short
Private _ushort As UShort
Private _object As Object
Private _single As Single
Private _string As String
```

```
private bool _boolean;
private byte _byte;
private sbyte _sbyte;
private char _char;
private DateTime _date;
private decimal _decimal;
private double _double;
private int _integer;
private uint _uinteger;
private long _long;
private ulong _ulong;
private short _short;
private ushort _ushort;
private object _object;
private float _single;
private string _string;
```



```
Private _boolean As Boolean
```

```
private bool _boolean;
```

```
Private _date As Date
```

```
private DateTime _date;
```

```
Private _integer As Integer
```

```
private int _integer;
```

```
Private _uinteger As UInteger    private uint _uinteger;
```





## **System.Single**

Represents a single-precision floating-point number.

<http://bit.ly/16LJDL3>

```
te float _single;
```



```
Dim index As Integer = 0
```

```
If index = 0 Then
```

```
    Console.WriteLine("All your base are belong to us.")
```

```
End If
```


```
Dim index As Integer = 0

If index = 0 Then
    Console.WriteLine("All your base are belong to us.")
End If
```



```
int index = 0;

if (index == 0)
{
    Console.WriteLine("All your base are belong to us.");
}
```



```
Dim index As Integer = 0
```

```
If index <> 0 Then
```

```
    Console.WriteLine("All your base are belong to us.")
```

```
End If
```



```
Dim index As Integer = 0

If index <> 0 Then
    Console.WriteLine("All your base are belong to us.")
End If
```

```
int index ↓;

if (index != 0)
{
    Console.WriteLine("All your base are belong to us.");
}
```



The comparison operators:

> >= < <=

and arithmetic operators:

+ - \*

are the same among VB and C#.

```
Dim result = (10 / 2)
```

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5  
Double

```
Dim result = (10 \ 2)
```

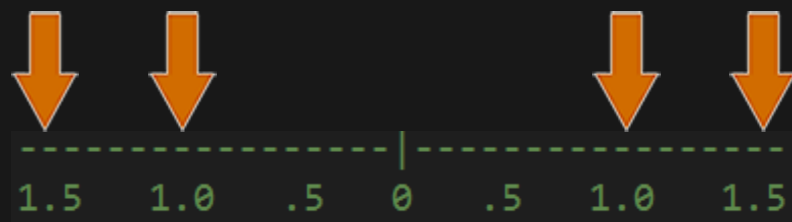
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Int32

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Dim result = (10 / 3)
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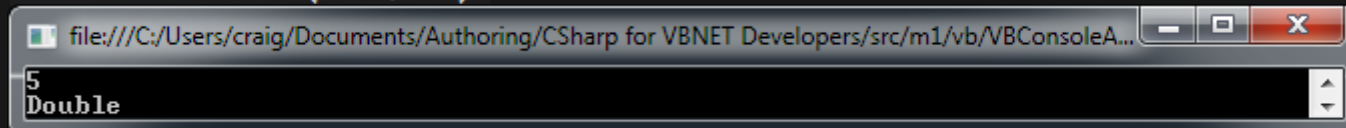
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3.33333333333333  
Double

```
Dim result = (10 \ 3)
```

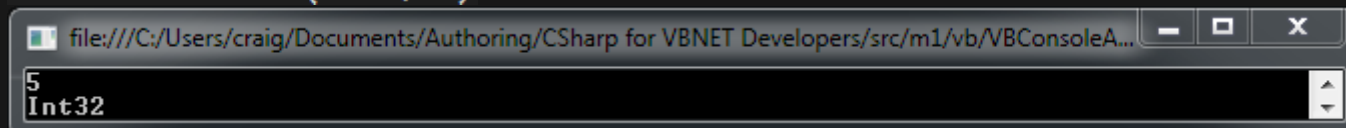
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3  
Int32



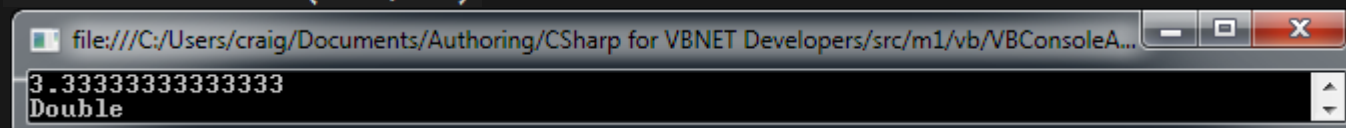
```
Dim result = (10 / 2)
```



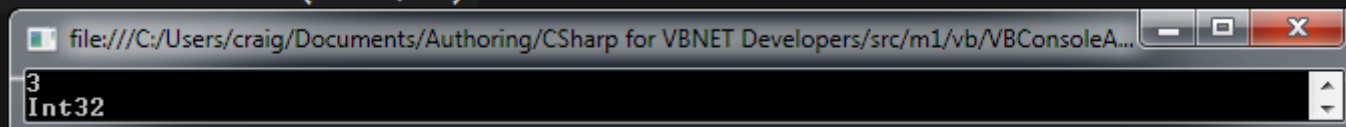
```
Dim result = (10 \ 2)
```



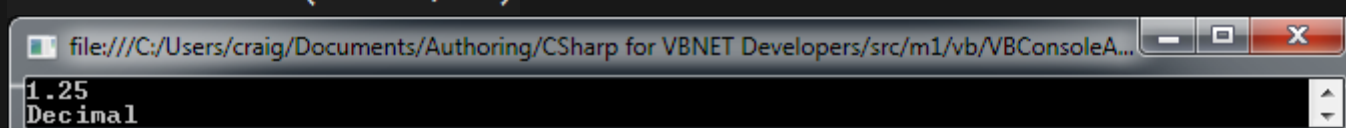
```
Dim result = (10 / 3)
```



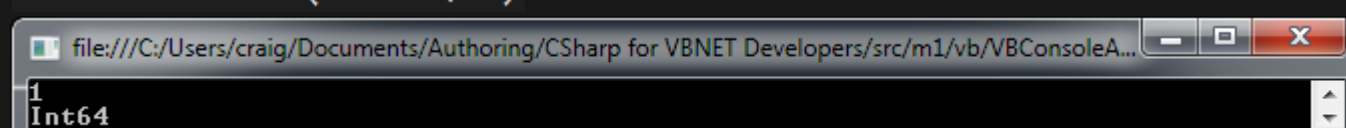
```
Dim result = (10 \ 3)
```



```
Dim result = (2.5D / 2)
```



```
Dim result = (2.5D \ 2)
```



```
Dim result = (10 / 2)                                var result = (10d / 2d);
```

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5  
Double

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Dim result = (10 \ 2)                                var result = (10 / 2);
```

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Int32

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Dim result = (10 / 3)                                var result = (10d / 3d);
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3.33333333333333  
Double

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file:///C:/Users/craig/Documents/Authoring/CSharp for VBNET Developers/src/m1/vb/VBConsoleA...  
3  
Int32

```
Dim result = (2.5D / 2)                                var result = (2.5d / 2);
```

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Double

```
Dim result = (((Int64)2.5d) / 2);
```

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Double


Tip

Try to use the TryParse method rather than a direct cast to avoid exceptions.




```
Dim rowIndex As Integer = 4
```

```
If rowIndex Mod 2 = 0 Then  
    Console.WriteLine("Even numbered row index.")  
End If
```




```
int rowIndex = 4;
```

```
if ((rowIndex % 2) == 0)  
{  
    Console.WriteLine("Even numbered row index.");  
}
```



```
Dim index As Double = 10.25
Dim result As Double = index ^ 10D

Console.WriteLine(result)
```

```
double index = 10.25;
double res Math.Pow(index, 10d);

Console.WriteLine(result);
```




```
If True AndAlso True Then  
    Console.WriteLine("Both values are True.")  
End If
```



```
if (true && true)  
{  
    Console.WriteLine("Both values are true.");  
}
```



```
// short-circuiting logic
bool a = false;
bool b = true;
if (a && b)
{
    Console.WriteLine("Both a and b are true.");
}
```





```
If False OrElse True Then  
    Console.WriteLine("At least one value is True.")  
End If
```



## Other Operator Equivalents:

VB.NET	C#
And	&
Or	
Xor	^
Not	~
<<	<<
>>	>>

```
...e value is true.");
```



```
If Not False Then  
    Console.WriteLine("Evaluates to True if inverted value is True.")  
End If
```



```
if (!false)  
{  
    Console.WriteLine("Evaluates to true if inverted value is true.");  
}
```

```
Dim rootPath As String
```

```
If ConfigurationManager.AppSettings("rootPath") IsNot Nothing Then  
    rootPath = ConfigurationManager.AppSettings("appSettings").ToString()  
End If
```

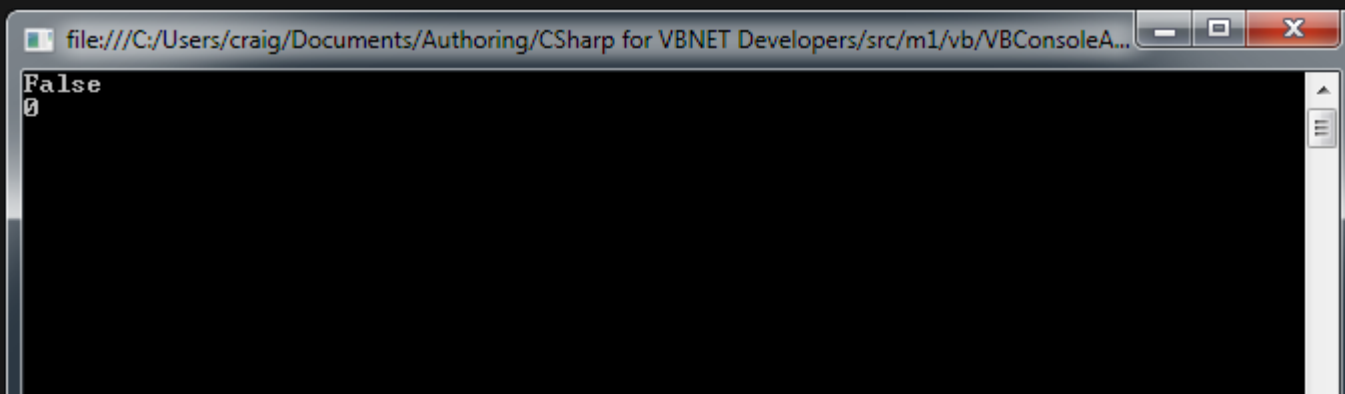


```
string rootPath;
```

```
if (ConfigurationManager.AppSettings["rootPath"] != null)  
{  
    rootPath = ConfigurationManager.AppSettings["rootPath"].ToString();  
}
```



```
Dim isReady As Boolean = Nothing  
Dim index As Integer = Nothing  
  
Console.WriteLine(isReady)  
Console.WriteLine(index)
```



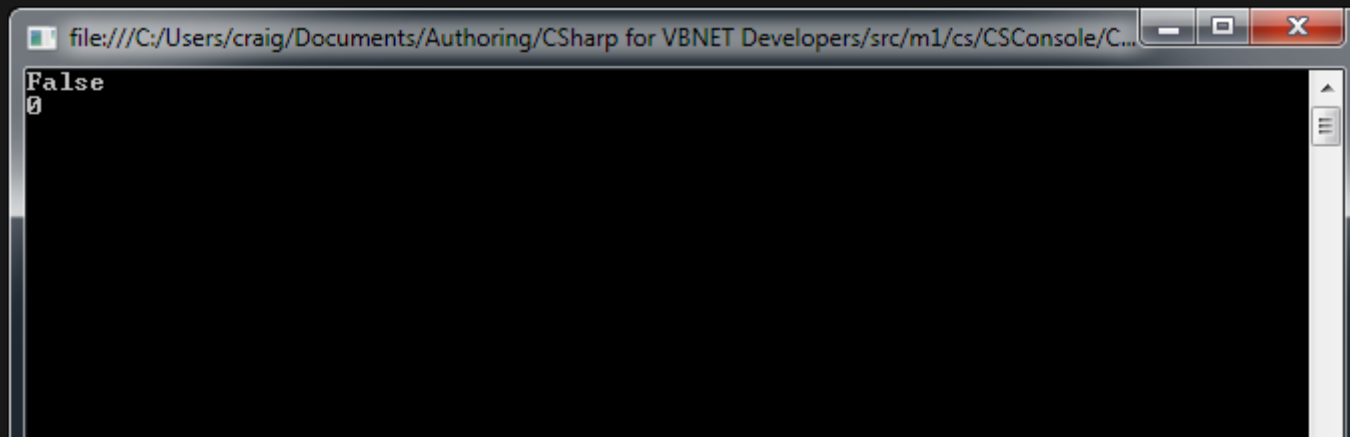
A screenshot of a Windows console window. The title bar shows the file path: file:///C:/Users/craig/Documents/Authoring/CSharp for VBNET Developers/src/m1/vb/VBConsoleA... The console output displays the results of the code execution: the first line is 'False' and the second line is '0'. The window has standard Windows controls (minimize, maximize, close) in the top right corner.

```
file:///C:/Users/craig/Documents/Authoring/CSharp for VBNET Developers/src/m1/vb/VBConsoleA...  
False  
0
```

```
bool isReady = null;  
int index = null;  
  
Console.WriteLine(isReady);  
Console.WriteLine(index);
```

Error List					
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	Description	File	Line	Column	Project
❌ 1	Cannot convert null to 'bool' because it is a non-nullable value type	Program.cs	10	28	CSCConsole
❌ 2	Cannot convert null to 'int' because it is a non-nullable value type	Program.cs	11	25	CSCConsole

```
bool isReady = default(bool);  
int index = default(int);  
  
Console.WriteLine(isReady);  
Console.WriteLine(index);
```



A screenshot of a Windows console window. The title bar shows the file path: `file:///C:/Users/craig/Documents/Authoring/CSharp for VBNET Developers/src/m1/cs/CSConsole/C...`. The console output displays the results of the `Console.WriteLine` calls: `False` on the first line and `0` on the second line. The window has standard Windows controls (minimize, maximize, close) in the top right corner.

```
file:///C:/Users/craig/Documents/Authoring/CSharp for VBNET Developers/src/m1/cs/CSConsole/C...  
False  
0
```

```
Enum StatusTypes
    Unknown = -1
    Started = 1
    InProcess
    Complete
    Ended = Complete
    Rejected
End Enum
```

```
enum StatusTypes
{
    Unknown = -1,
    Started = 1,
    InProcess,
    Complete,
    Ended = Complete,
    Rejected
}
```



abstract	event	new	struct
as	explicit	null	switch
base	extern	object	this
bool	false	operator	throw
break	finally	out	true
byte	fixed	override	try
case	float	params	typeof
catch	for	private	uint
char	foreach	protected	ulong
checked	goto	public	unchecked
class	if	readonly	unsafe
const	implicit	ref	ushort
continue	in	return	using
decimal	int	sbyte	virtual
default	interface	sealed	void
delegate	internal	short	volatile
do	is	sizeof	while
double	lock	stackalloc	
else	long	static	
enum	namespace	string	

abstract  
base  
bool  
break  
checked  
explicit  
extern  
fixed

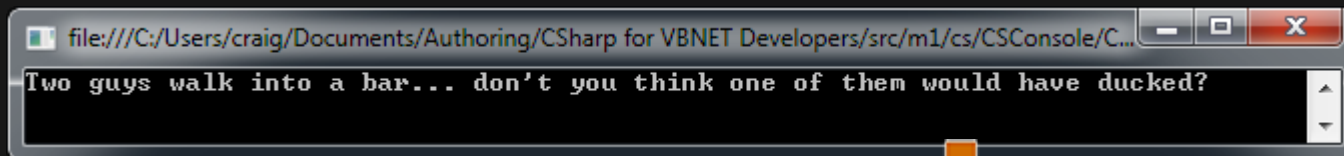
float  
foreach  
implicit  
int  
internal  
lock  
null  
out

override  
params  
ref  
sealed  
sizeof  
stackalloc  
struct  
switch

this  
uint  
unchecked  
unsafe  
virtual  
void  
volatile



```
Console.WriteLine("Two guys walk into a bar..." &  
    " don't you think one of them would have ducked?")
```



```
Console.WriteLine("Two guys walk into a bar..." +  
    " don't you think one of them would have ducked?");
```

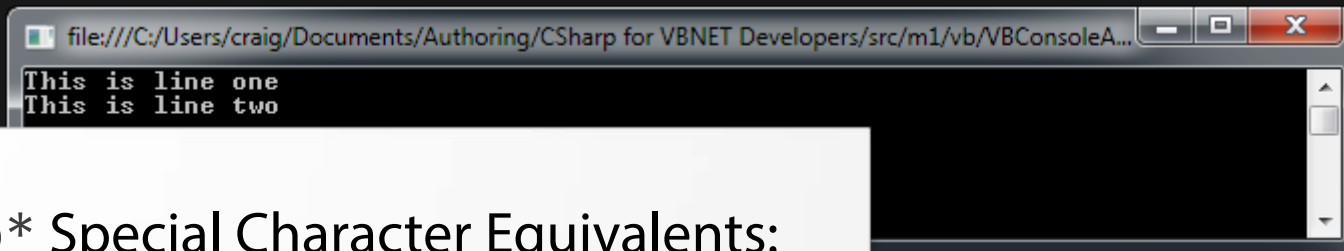


```
Console.WriteLine("This is line one " & vbCrLf & "This is line two")  
Console.WriteLine()  
Console.WriteLine("This is line one " & ControlChars.CrLf & "This is line two")
```



## vb\* Special Character Equivalents:

VB.NET	C#
vbCrLf	\r\n
vbNewLine	\r\b
vbCr	\r
vbLf	\n
vbBack	\b
vbFormFeed	\f
vbVerticalTab	\v



line two");

```
public sealed class ControlChars
{
    public const char Back = '\b';
    public const char Cr = '\r';
    ➡ public readonly string CrLf = Environment.NewLine;
    public const char FormFeed = '\f';
    ➡ public const char Lf = '\n';
    ➡ public readonly string NewLine = Environment.NewLine;
    public const char NullChar = '\0';
    public const char Quote = '"';
    public const char Tab = '\t';
    public const char VerticalTab = '\v';
}
```



```
If "info@pluralsight.com" Like "*@pluralsight.com" Then  
    Console.WriteLine("Pluralsight email address.")  
End If
```



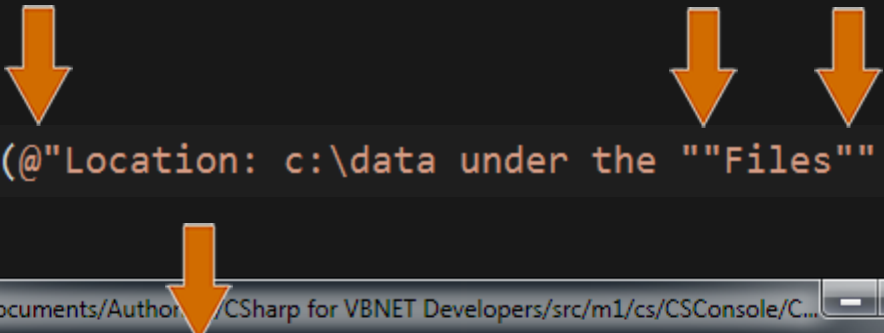
```
if ("info@pluralsight.com".Contains("@pluralsight.com"))  
{  
    Console.WriteLine("Pluralsight email address.");  
}
```

```
string filePath = "c:\\data\\staging\\data.xml";
```

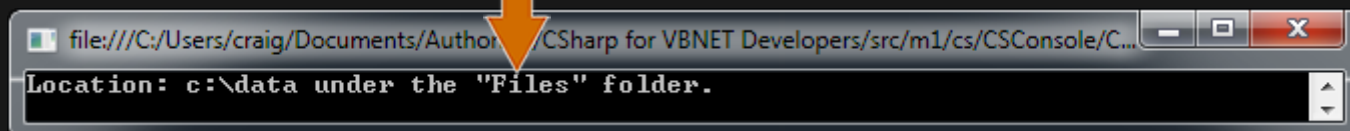
```
string filePath = "c:\\data\\staging\\data.xml";
```



```
string filePath = @"c:\data\staging\data.xml";
```




```
Console.WriteLine(@"Location: c:\data under the ""Files"" folder.");
```



```
Dim filePath As String = "c:\data\staging\data.xml"
Dim file As FileInfo

Try
    file = New FileInfo(filePath)
    Dim sr As StreamReader = file.OpenText()
Catch ex As Exception When filePath.Contains("staging")
    ExceptionPublisher.Publish(
        "The staging environment is not setup correctly.", ex)
    Throw
End Try
```

```
string filePath = @"c:\data\staging\data.xml";
FileInfo file;

try
{
    file = new FileInfo(filePath);
    StreamReader sr = file.OpenText();
}
catch (Exception ex)
{
     if (filePath.Contains("staging"))
    {
        ExceptionPublisher.Publish(
            "The staging environment is not setup correctly.", ex);
    }
    throw;
}
```

```
➡ If connectionStringName.EndsWith("➡ Then  
    portNumber = 3000  
    isDevEnvironment = True  
➡ End If
```

```
➡➡➡ (connectionStringName.EndsWith("DEV")) ➡  
➡➡ {  
    portNumber = 3000;  
    isDevEnvironment = true;  
➡➡ }
```

Tip

Always use curly braces following `if` statements.

```
If connectionStringName Is Nothing Then
    connectionStringName = "DefaultConnection"
    isDevEnvironment = True
    portNumber = 3000
ElseIf connectionStringName.EndsWith("DEV") Then
    portNumber = 3000
    isDevEnvironment = True
End If
```

```
if (connectionStringName == null)
{
    connectionStringName = "DefaultConnection";
    isDevEnvironment = true;
    portNumber = 3000;
}
else if (connectionStringName.EndsWith("DEV"))
{
    portNumber = 3000;
    isDevEnvironment = true;
}
```


```
If connectionStringName IsNot Nothing AndAlso connectionStringName.EndsWith("DEV") Then  
    portNumber = 3000  
End If
```

```
if (connectionStringName != null && connectionStringName.EndsWith("DEV"))  
{  
    portNumber = 3000;  
}
```



## Tip

Add parenthesis to your expression  
to enforce order of operations.




```
If connectionStringName IsNot Nothing _  
    AndAlso connectionStringName.EndsWith("DEV") Then  
    portNumber = 3000  
End If
```


```
if (connectionStringName != null  
    && connectionStringName.EndsWith("DEV"))  
{  
    portNumber = 3000;  
}
```



```
Dim connectionStringName As String = "CodedHomesDEV"  
Dim portNumber As Integer  
Dim isDevEnvironment As Boolean  
  
connectionStringName = If(connectionStringName, "DefaultConnection")
```



```
string connectionStringName = "CodedHomesDEV";  
int portNumber;  
bool isDevEnvironment;  
  
connectionStringName = connectionStringName ?? "DefaultConnection";
```



```
portNumber = If(connectionStringName.EndsWith("DEV"), 3000, 8080)
```



```
portNumber = connectionStringName.EndsWith("DEV") ? 3000 : 8080;
```

```
If connectionStringName.EndsWith("DEV") Then portNumber = 3000
```

```
if (connectionStringName.EndsWith("DEV")) portNumber = 3000;
```




```
If connectionStringName.EndsWith("DEV") Then portNumber = 3000 : isDevEnvironment = True
```

```
if (connectionStringName.EndsWith("DEV"))  
{  
    portNumber = 3000;  
    isDevEnvironment = true;  
}
```


```
Select Case lowInventoryThreshold
    Case 100
        InventoryUnit.Order(200)
    Case 250
        InventoryUnit.Order(250)
    Case 500
        InventoryUnit.Order(500)
    Case Else
        InventoryUnit.Order(10)
End Select
```

```
switch (lowInventoryThreshold)
{
    case 100:
        InventoryUnit.Order(200);
        break;
    case 250:
        InventoryUnit.Order(250);
        break;
    case 500:
        InventoryUnit.Order(500);
        break;
    default:
        InventoryUnit.Order(10);
        break;
}
```




```
string command = "go";


switch (command)
{
    case "go":
        ➡ Console.WriteLine("Go");
        break;
    case "stop":
        ➡ Console.WriteLine("Stop");
        break;
    ➡ case null:
        Console.WriteLine("Null case");
        break;
    case "":
        ➡ Console.WriteLine("Empty string case");
        ➡ goto default;
    case "resume":
        ➡ goto case "go";
    default:
        ➡ Console.WriteLine("Default case");
        ➡ break;
}
```




```
While count > 0
    ' do something interesting
    count -= 1
End While
```




```
Do While count > 0
    ' do something interesting
    count -= 1
Loop
```



```
Do Until count = 1
    ' do something interesting
    count -= 1
Loop
```



```
while (count > 0)
{
    // do something interesting
    count -= 1;
}
```




```
do
{
    // do something interesting
    count -= 1;
} while (count > 0);
```

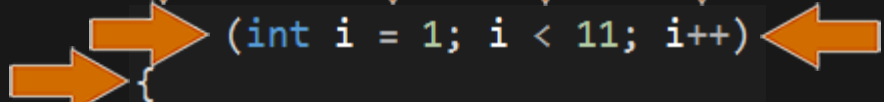

```
Do Until count = 1
    ' do something interesting
    count -= 1
Loop
```

```
do
{
    // do something interesting
    count -= 1;
} while (count != 1);
```



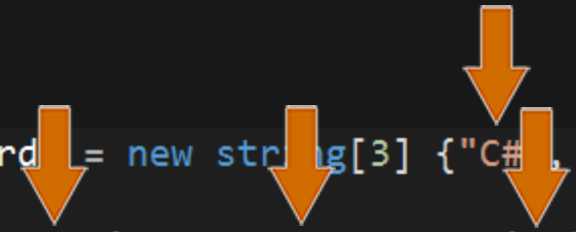


```
For index = 1 To 10 Step 1
    Console.WriteLine(index)
Next
```

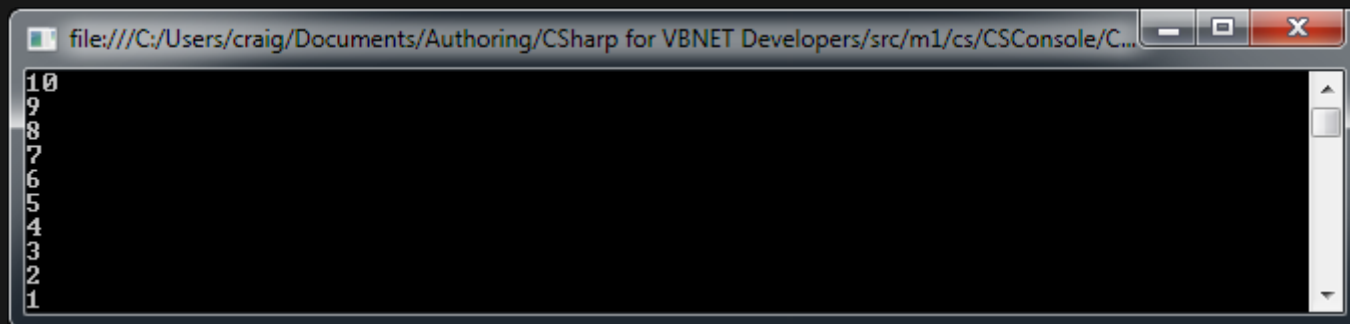


```
(int i = 1; i < 11; i++)
{
    Console.WriteLine(i);
}
```

```
string[] words = new string[3] {"C#", "is", "fun" };  
for (int i = 0; i < words.Length; i++)  
{  
    Console.WriteLine(words[i]);  
}
```

A diagram consisting of four orange arrows pointing downwards. The first arrow points to the variable 'words' in the first line of code. The second arrow points to the index '0' in the for loop. The third arrow points to the index 'i' in the array access 'words[i]' inside the loop. The fourth arrow points to the first element 'C#' of the array in the initialization.

```
for (int i = 10; i > 0; i--)  
{  
    Console.WriteLine(i);  
}
```



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```
10  
9  
8  
7  
6  
5  
4  
3  
2  
1
```




```
for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++)  
{  
    Console.WriteLine(i);  
}
```



```
for (int i = 0; i < 10; i++)  
{  
    Console.WriteLine(i);  
}
```

```
For index = 0 To files.Length
    If files(index).Name.Contains("confidential") Then
        Exit For
    End If
Next
```

```
for (int i = 0; i < files.Length; i++)
{
    if (files[i].Name.Contains("confidential"))
    {
         break;
    }
}
```

```
for (int i = 0; i < files.Length; i++)  
{  
    if (files[i].Name.Contains("confidential"))  
    {  
        continue;  
    }  
}
```

```
Dim directory As New DirectoryInfo("c:\data")

For Each file As FileInfo In directory.GetFiles()
    Console.WriteLine(file.Name)
Next
```



```
DirectoryInfo directory = new DirectoryInfo(@"c:\data");

foreach (FileInfo file in directory.GetFiles())
{
    Console.WriteLine(file.Name);
}
```

```
int[] numbers = new int[5] {1,2,3,4,5};

foreach (int number in numbers)
{
    number++;
}
```

#### Error List



1 Error



0 Warnings



0 Messages

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1 Cannot assign to 'number' because it is a 'foreach iteration variable'

File

Program.cs

Line

76

Column

17

Project

CSCConsole



```
Dim product As New Product()  
  
With product  
    .Id = 1  
    .Name = "Galactic Bounce Balls"  
    .Description = "Super awesome bouncy balls."  
    .QuantityOnHand = 10  
    .QuantityOnOrder = 10  
End With
```

```
Product product = new Product();  
  
product.Id = 1;  
product.Name = "Galactic Bounce Balls";  
product.Description = "Super awesome bouncy balls.";  
product.QuantityOnHand = 10;  
product.QuantityOnOrder = 10;
```



```
Dim products(3) As Product  
products(0) = New Product()
```



```
Product[] products = new Product[4];  
products[0] = new Product();
```

```
Dim products(3) As Product
```

```
products(0) = New Product()  
products(1) = New Product()  
products(2) = New Product()  
products(3) = New Product()
```



```
ReDim Preserve products(5)
```

```
products(4) = New Product()  
products(5) = New Product()
```



```
Product[] products = new Product[4];
```

```
products[0] = new Product();  
products[1] = new Product();  
products[2] = new Product();  
products[3] = new Product();
```

```
Array.Resize<Product>(ref products, 6);
```

```
products[4] = new Product();  
products[5] = new Product();
```

```
Dim id As Integer = "1"  
Dim description As String = 1
```

```
int id = "1";  
string description = 1;
```

VBConsole

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Application

Compile

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Code Analysis

Configuration:

Any CPU

Build output path:

bin\Debug\

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Compile Options:

Option explicit:

On

Option strict:

Off

Option compare:

Binary

Option infer:

On

Target CPU:

AnyCPU

☒ Prefer 32-bit

Warning configurations:

Condition

Notification

```
Dim id As Integer = "1"  
Dim description As String = 1
```

```
int id = 1;  
string description = "1";
```

# Summary

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NEXT

**Classes, Interfaces &  
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