

Can we start a thread twice

No. After starting a thread, it can never be started again. If you do so, an *IllegalThreadStateException* is thrown. In such case, thread will run once but for second time, it will throw exception.

Let's understand it by the example given below:

```
public class TestThreadTwice1 extends Thread{  
    public void run(){  
        System.out.println("running...");  
    }  
    public static void main(String args[]){  
        TestThreadTwice1 t1=new TestThreadTwice1();  
        t1.start();  
        t1.start();  
    }  
}
```

 Test it Now

Output:

```
running  
Exception in thread "main" java.lang.IllegalThreadStateException
```

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