

Lab Marbles

Learning Objective:

- Understand how Scanner works
- Read in integers and Strings in arbitrary order
- Use printf to print in columns

Instructions:

1. Create a new Java file called : LabMarbles.java
File > New > Java
2. Save the new file in your CS1400 directory and call it LabMarbles.java
File > Save
Use the dropdown list next to *Look In:* to navigate to your CS1400 folder
Next to *File Name:* write LabMarbles.java
Click the *Save* button
3. Create a public class that has the same name as the file
4. Inside the body of the class (within the opening and closing braces) create the main method

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public static void main(String[] args){  
}
```
5. Inside the body of main (between the curly braces) do the following:
6. Create a Scanner to read in user input:
 - Add an import statement above (outside) your class declaration
 - Inside the main method create an instance of Scanner
7. Prompt the user for the color (use System.out.print so that the user input will be entered in the same line)
8. Create a variable of type String and name it color1.
9. Read in a String using the method nextLine() of the Scanner instance and assign it to the variable color1
10. Prompt the user for for the number of marbles of the specified color
Note: you'll need to access the value of color1 to print the prompt
11. Create a variable of type int and name it number1
12. Read in an integer using the methos nextInt() and assign it to the variable number1
13. Repeat steps 7 – 12 two more times so the user can enter two more colors and the corresponding numbers of marbles.
Use the variable names color2, number2, color3, and number3
14. Print the information of the data entered in a tabular form
Use %-12s to print the color. This prints a column of width 12 left aligned
FYI : Without the minus the content would be right-aligned
e.g. %10s specifies a column of width 10 right aligned

Using the format specifier is a better way to print columns than using tabulators. It guarantees the specified column width, while the width of tabulators can vary depending on user settings.
15. Include a header line (Color . . .) and dashes between the header line and the data (see output)

Sample Output:

```
color: red  
Number of red marbles: 12  
color: turquoise  
Number of turquoise marbles: 7  
color: yellow  
Number of yellow marbles: 18
```

Color	Number of Marbles
red	12
turquoise	7
yellow	18