Week 1

Exercise 1.1.5

```
public class UseArgument {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    System.out.print("Hi, ");
    System.out.print(args[0]);
    System.out.println(". How are you?");
  }
}
```

Listing 1: UseArgument

Describe what happens if you try to execute UseArgument with each of the following command lines:

 ${\bf a}.$ java UseArgument java

Prints java as the name: Hi, java. How are you?

b. java UseArgument @!&^%

This will return different results depending on the shell you're using. If you pass those arguments directly as-is, it will just print Hi, @!&^%. How are you?.

If your shell uses any of these characters, not all arguments may be passed to the java program, you may get an error, or get no output. For example, in a POSIX-compatible shell like bash, & is used as a delimiter to run programs asynchronously (return user control before the program finishes running), and otherwise acts as ;. An error may be thrown due to ^% not being a known command.

c. java UseArgument 1234

Prints Hi, 1234. How are you?

d. java UseArgument.java Bob

Newer Java versions run javac if a . java file is provided as the class name to run, and then run the compiled bytecode.

e. java UseArgument Alice Bob

Arguments are whitespace delimited (in most shells), and only the first one is read in the program: Hi, Alice. How are you?

Exercise 1.1.6

Modify UseArgument.java to make a program UseThree.java that takes three names as command-line arguments and prints a proper sentence with the names in the rev

```
public class UseThree {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    if (args.length != 3) {
        System.out.println("Error: Program expects exactly three arguments");
        return;
    }
    System.out.printf("Hi %s, %s and %s. How are you?%n", args[2], args[1], args[0]);
  }
}
```