If...Else... Statements

What if we want another set of instructions to execute if the condition is false?

An else clause can be added to an if statement to provide code that will only be executed if the if condition is false.

In C#, we write an if..else... statement using the following syntax:

```
string color = "red";

if (color == "blue")
{
    // this code block will execute only if the value of color is
    // equivalent to "blue"
    Console WriteLine("color is blue");
}
else
{
    // this code block will execute if the value of color is
    // NOT equivalent to "blue"
    Console WriteLine("color is NOT blue");
}
```

In this example, we're still checking to see if color equals "blue". However, this time we also added a second code block that will execute if the result of (color == "blue") is false. Since color equals "red" this time, it will skip the first code block and execute the second code block, before moving on with the rest of the program.

When writing an if...else... statement, make sure to pay attention to:

else follows if: In an if...else... statement, the else statement and its corresponding code block still need to follow the if statement and code block.

Number of code blocks: Make sure that if you include an else statement, that you include a code block with it.

You're deciding where to go for lunch. If the line isn't long at SaladMart (10 people or less) AND the weather is nice, you'll go there.

Write an if statement where if the condition is true, it prints out SaladMart.



When writing an if statement, make sure that your condition is wrapped in parentheses and braces signify a new code block:

```
int dogs = 5;

if (dogs > 2) {
// this code will run
}
```

2. However, if the line is long and the weather is bad, you'll go to Soup N Sandwich. Next, add an else statement that prints out Soup N Sandwich.

Hint

When writing an else statement, make sure it comes after your if statement:

```
int dogs = 5;

If (dogs > 2) {
   // this code will run
} else {
   // if the above condition isn't met, this code will run
}
```

3. Now try changing the value of people to 12 and weather to bad and see what gets printed to the console.