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“void”

We are going to talk about the keyword “void” which is used in programs all the time. The keyword “void” like in the following example:

Public static void getSomething() {

Tells the method that it isn’t return a value. Each method has to dictate what it is returning even if it isn’t returning any value. That is where void comes into play. It is different from something like:

Public double calcSomething(){

Double something = value + value2;

Return something;

}

In that example you see that the method is a double and therefore somewhere inside of that method it needs to return a double. That is why you see “return” inside the method and “something” is a double which is what is being returned. In a nut shell you use void when you aren’t returning a specific value and you use the other keywords/data types when you are returning a value of that specific data type like shown in the return double example up above. Hopefully, that clears at least some of the confusion up.