**Java Installation:**

Review the Instructor Videos above and follow the instructions for installing Java. NetBeans is an optional Integrated Development Environment (IDE) that may make the course easier, but it is not required.

**Discussion Question:**

Search the Internet for a helpful Java website, excluding W3Schools, and post a link along with a detailed description as to why you found it helpful.

When searching the Internet for a helpful Java website, I ran across many different options, but one that particularly stood out was the dev.Java website. Similar to our resources this week, it provides helpful information on downloading Java and getting started. So, if the resources this week are not enough to successfully install Java, then this site may help you! It also includes instructions on writing Java classes and creating a Java application. There are different instructions for various IDEs and information on new features. It provides more basic and slightly more advanced concepts like how to master the API. What I’ve explained so far is just on the Learn Java page, but there is much more that the site offers.

When exploring the site further, videos and a podcast are available to listen to. If you are looking for quicker video content, then the Sip of Java videos are perfect since they are only a minute long. If you want lengthier content, other videos are available, and the podcast is 30 minutes long. Instead of turning on music while cleaning or performing another task, switching to a podcast like Inside Java can benefit our studies.

If you dive deeper into the website, you will also stumble upon their FAQ and Oracle University. Oracle University offers free Java training that can help users learn Java programming. In addition, there is a Java Playground that allows you to practice. I definitely recommend that everyone check this site out! Here is the link: https://dev.java/learn/

**Assignment Requirements and Grading:**

* An initial post of approximately 250 words is due by **Thursday, 11:59 p.m., CST**.
* Submit your post by clicking on the assignment link above, then Create Thread. You must create a thread in order to view your peers' posts. Tip: Create your post in a Word document and then copy and paste your work into the thread.
* A minimum of three (3) responses, to the original threads of other students, of 100-200 words each are due by **Sunday, 11:59 p.m., CST**.
* To view the rubric grading criteria, click on the following link: [Discussion Board Grading Rubric](https://content.bellevue.edu/cst/csd/rubricdbv3.pdf).