Relational Operators

A byte size lesson in Java programming.

What is an operator?

- An operator is a symbol that performs operations on variables and values.
- There are many types of operators, including Arithmetic, Assignment, Relational, Logical etc.

Relational Operators

• Used to check the relationship between two operands

Operator	Description	Example
==	Is Equal To	3 == 5 returns false
!=	Not Equal To	3!= 5 returns true

Let's test your understanding!

• What will each of these expressions result in?

```
System.out.println("Apple" == "Pear");
```

System.out.println("Apple" != "Pear");

Relational Operators

• Other operators we can use are related to being greater than or equal than

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==	Is Equal To	3 == 5 returns false
!=	Not Equal To	3!= 5 returns true
>	Greater Than	3 > 5 returns false
<	Less Than	3 < 5 returns true
>=	Greater Than or Equal to	3 >=5 returns false
<=	Less Than or Equal to	3 <=5 returns true

Use of Relational Operators

- Relational operators are used frequently in programming.
- An example is when working with conditional statements (IF something Do something)

```
// coming soon
if (apples < 3) {
    System.out.println("buy more apples");
}</pre>
```

Let's test your understanding!

• What will each of these expressions result in?

```
System.out.println(10 >= 10)

System.out.println(7 < 5);

System.out.println(5 != 4);

System.out.println(4 <= 5);</pre>
```