



# PASSING PARAMETERS

Oracle - Java Tutorial:  
Passing Information to a Method or a Constructor

# REVIEW: VARIABLES

- For primitive data types, **values** are stored.
- For objects, **reference** to objects are stored.

Example:

```
double height = 65.5;
```

```
int age = 20;
```

```
String name = "Cameron";
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```
Scanner in = new Scanner(System.in);
```

height

65.5

age

20

name

in

String:  
"Cameron"

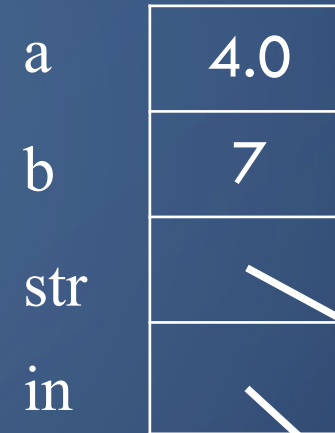
Scanner:  
System.in

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- When a primitive data type is passed as a parameter, **the value is copied**.
- When an object is passed as a parameter, **the reference is copied**.

```
1 import java.util.Scanner;
2
3 public class Mystery {
4
5     public static void main(String[] args) {
6         double a = 4.0;
7         int b = 7;
8         String str = "Hello";
9         Scanner in = new Scanner(System.in);
10        mystery(a, b, str, in);
11    }
12
13    public static void mystery(double w, int x, String y, Scanner z) {
14        // ...
15    }
16
17 }
```

In main



String:  
"Hello"

Scanner:  
System.in

In mystery

