

Source Code

When you click the link you'll find the human-readable **source code** for this program, in the file which we would name `hello.cpp`.

```
1 // A C++ version of hello world
2 #include <iostream>
3 using namespace std;
4
5 int main()
6 {
7     cout << "hello world" << endl;
8     return 0;
9 }
10
```

Let's review each line:

1. A **comment**, designed for the reader, but ignored by the compiler.
2. A **preprocessor directive** which makes the C++ library facilities available.
3. A **namespace directive** makes standard names available without qualification.
4. A **blank line**, used to make your code more readable.
5. The **main** function or **entry point** to your program. Each program has one **main**.
6. The **opening** brace. How you say **begin** the actions in C++.
7. Prints to the console, using the **standard output** object named **cout**.
8. Ends the main function, **returning** the value **0** back to the operating system.
9. The **closing** brace marks the **end** of **main**, matching the opening brace.



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