# Step Into Java: Output

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## What is output?

What are some ways a program displays information?

# System.out.print(message) System.out.println(message)

- -Java's built-in output
- print(): stays on the same line
- println(): ends with a new line
- message: anything you want

How do you write a String to the screen?

- -System followed by a dot
- -out followed by a dot
- -print or println
- -an open paren(
- -message is a String
- -a close paren
- -a semicolon;

### What is a String?

String Simple Definition:

- A series of characters strung together
- Actually, zero or more characters

### What is a String?

String Advanced Definition:

- A class defined by Sun Microsystems
- A class in the java.lang package
- A class containing a character array and various methods in which to manipulate the character array.

#### Let's Try Our First Lab

Write a program that outputs the Happy Birthday song to the screen.

The output should look like:

Happy Birthday, to you.

Happy Birthday, to you.

Happy Birthday dear Edward,

Happy Birthday, to you.

#### Helpful Hints

-every time you start a new lab, make a copy of the "compile and run" example from the "1 java basics" folder -in the file starter.java, replace the System.out.print("..... with your new code (delete what was there). -leave all the remaining code in place (we will learn about this stuff later).