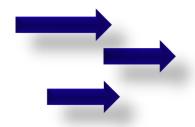






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Eclipse provides a lot of powerful features and capabilities, which are not easily discoverable and are not leveraged to the fullest.

To be productive, mastering your IDE is as important as mastering your source code.







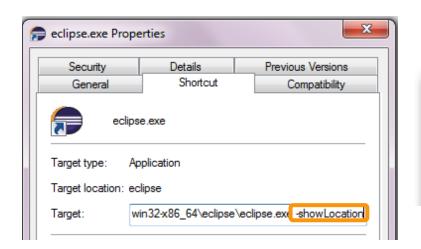
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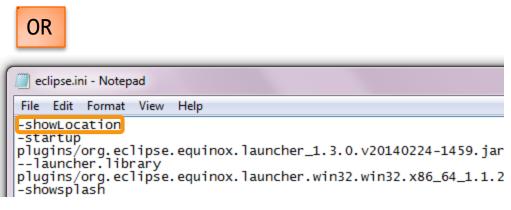
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- Projects in a Workspace
- Inside a Project
- Share Preferences between Workspaces

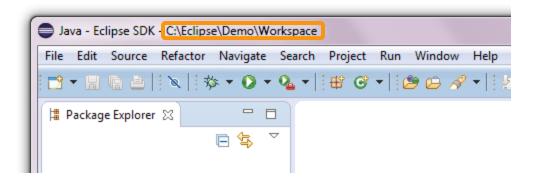


Multiple Workspaces

Show Workspace Location in the Title Bar (-showLocation)





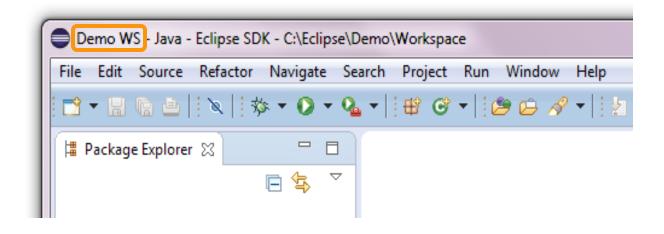




Multiple Workspaces

Show Workspace Name in the Title Bar

(Window > Preferences > General > Workspace)

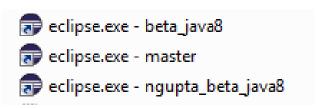


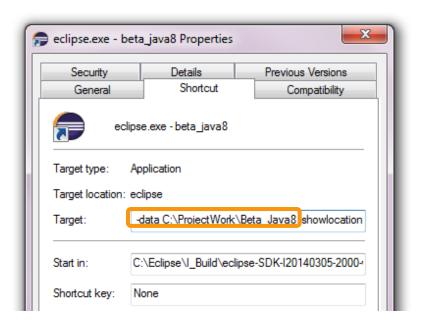


Multiple Workspaces

Create Eclipse shortcuts with default workspaces

(-data workspacePath)





Projects in a Workspace

Working Sets

Package Explorer >
Configure Working Sets...

Package Explorer >
Top Level Elements >
Working Sets



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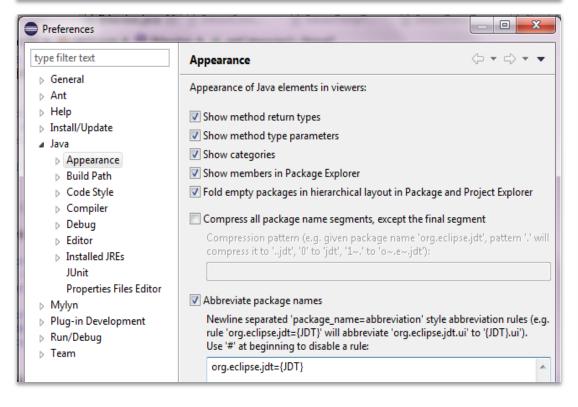
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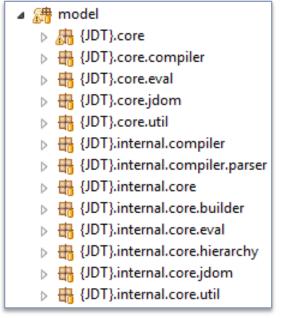


Inside a Project

Abbreviate package names with custom rules

```
Window > Preferences >
Java > Appearance >
Abbreviate package names
```





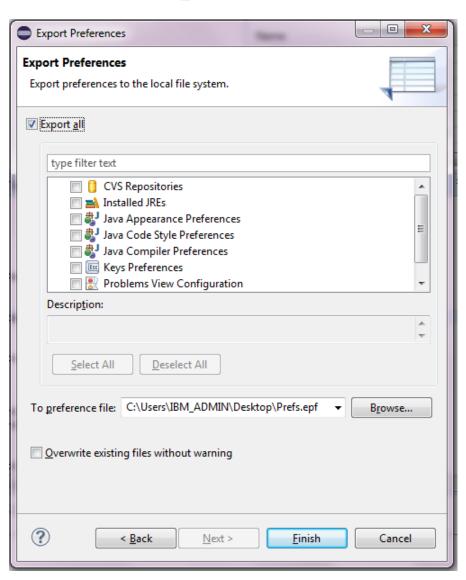


Share Preferences between Workspaces

Export/Import

File > Export... General > Preferences

File > Import... General > Preferences







Navigating

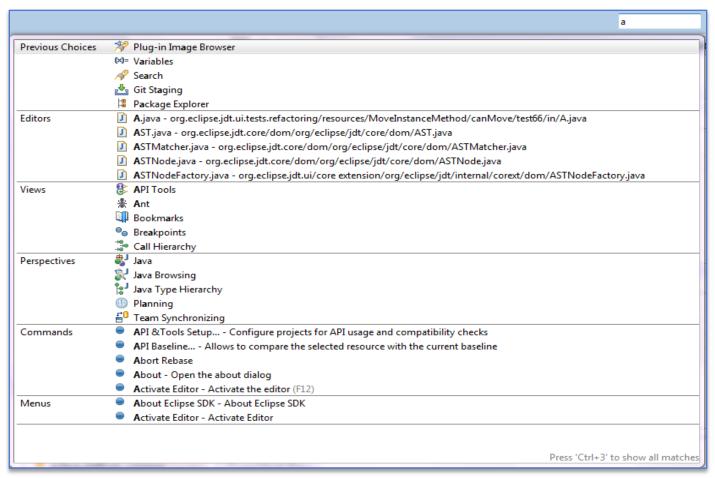
- Quick Access
- Quick Outline, In-place Outline
- Breadcrumb
- Ctrl+Click for Externalized Strings
- Find Problems with Externalized Strings
- Java Stack Trace Console



Quick Access



■ Talk to Eclipse: Start typing and get the results from many categories of UI elements.





Quick Outline and In-place Outline

Quick Outline:

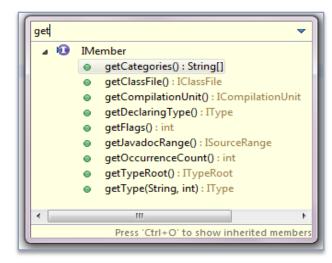


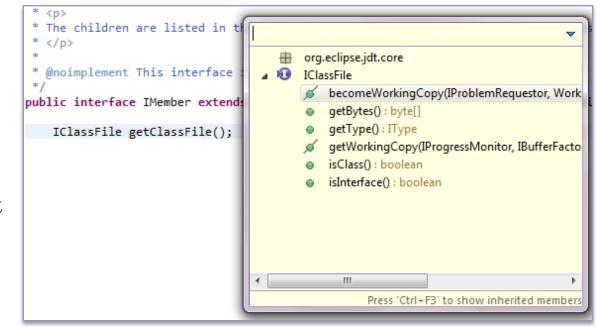
To list the structural elements of the file (such as classes, fields, methods for a Java source file).

In-place Outline:



To pop up an in-place outline of the element at the current cursor position.



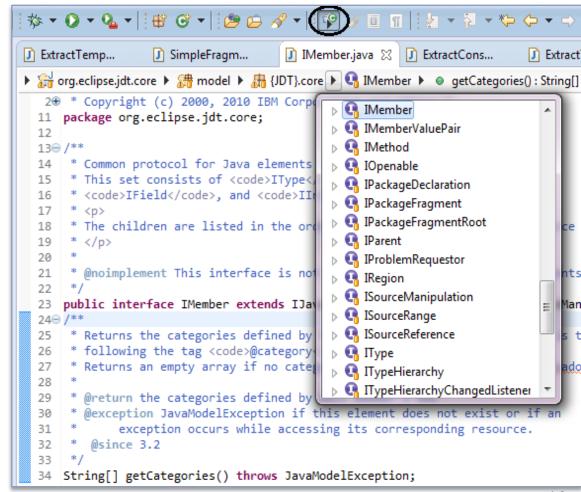




Java Editor Breadcrumb

Toggle Breadcrumb tool bar button

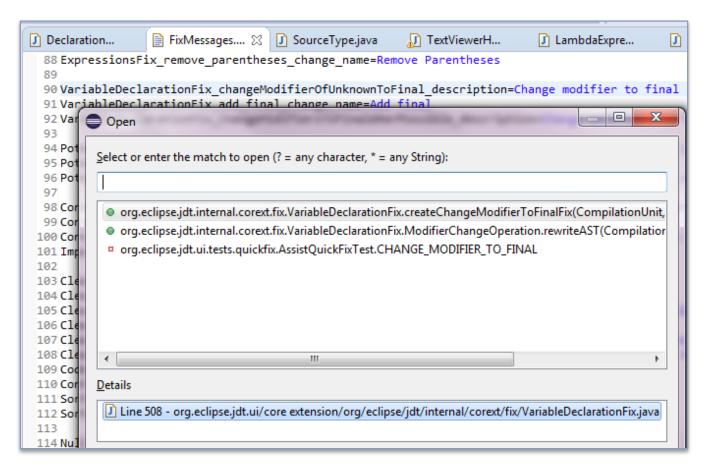
- Shows the path to the element at the cursor position.
- Navigate to other elements via drop-downs and invoke actions (when other views are not visible).
- Also available on multiple editors that are open side-by-side.





Ctrl+Click for Externalized Strings

Ctrl+Click on a property key in the *.properties file shows the places in source code where it is being used and takes you to the referencing code.

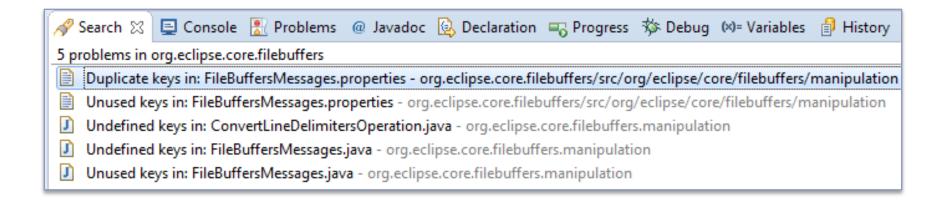




Find Problems with Externalized Strings

Source > Find Broken Externalized Strings

Finds undefined, unused and duplicate keys.





Java Stack Trace Console

- From a stack trace in log file, instead of locating the file and going to the line number via *Ctrl+L*, use Java Stack Trace Console.
- Copy the stack trace from log file and click:

Navigate > Open from Clipboard

OR

Copy the stack trace and paste on the console:

Console view > Open Console (drop-down menu) > Java Stack Trace Console

- Click on the hyperlinks for Java class names with line numbers to navigate.
- Clicking on the exception name in stack trace will create an exception breakpoint.

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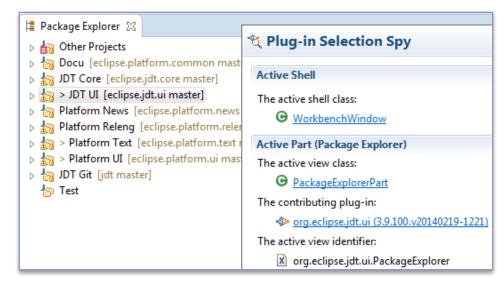


- Spy
- Paste code on Package Explorer
- Show Annotations
- Hover
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- Block Selection
- Formatter Off/On Tags
- Quick Fixes and Quick Assists
- Keyboard Shortcuts



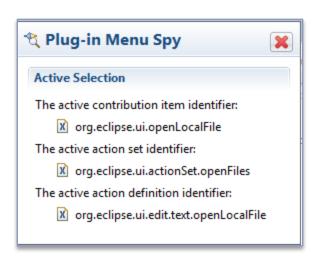
Plug-in Spy





Plug-in Menu Spy







Paste code on Package Explorer

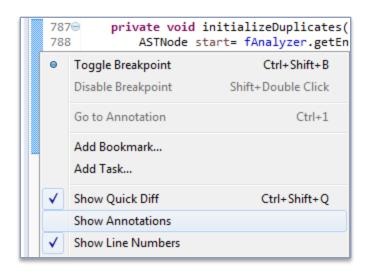
- Just copy the Java code and paste on Package Explorer.
- A new Java project will be created and the file will be opened in the Java editor.

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1 class Person {
                                               String getLastName() {
  return "":
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                                           }
                                         5
```



Show Annotations

To determine who last modified a line of code and when.



```
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                              private void initializeDuplicates() {
                                   ASTNode start= fAnalyzer.getEnclosingBodyDeclaration();
Dirk Baeumer
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                                   while (!(start instanceof AbstractTypeDeclaration)) {
Markus Keller
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Dirk Baeumer
                                       start= start.getParent();
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Dani Megert
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Dirk Baeumer
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                                   fDuplicates= SnippetFinder.perform(start, fAnalyzer.getSelectedNodes());
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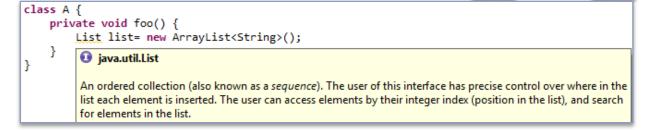


Hover

When there is an error/warning at an identifier, the corresponding message is shown on hover instead of the Javadoc.

```
class A {
    private void foo() {
        List list= new ArrayList<String>();
    }
}
List is a raw type. References to generic type List<E> should be parameterized
    5 quick fixes available:
        Add type arguments to 'List'
        Change type to 'ArrayList<String>'
```

To see the Javadoc in such cases, press Ctrl + 1 and hover.



Or use Javadoc view.

Update text hover key modifers at:

Window > Preferences >
Java > Editor > Hovers

To see the source on hover, press and hover.

```
class A {
    private void foo() {
        int i= B.bar(10);
    }
}
static int bar(int i) {
        return i++;
    }
Press 'F2' for focus
```

Or use Declaration view.



Type Filters

To ignore certain types from the Open Type dialog, content assist, quick fix proposals, import organization etc.

Window > Preferences > Java > Appearance > Type Filters



Example:

```
class A {
    List list;
}

List cannot be resolved to a type

13 quick fixes available:

- Import 'List' (java.util)

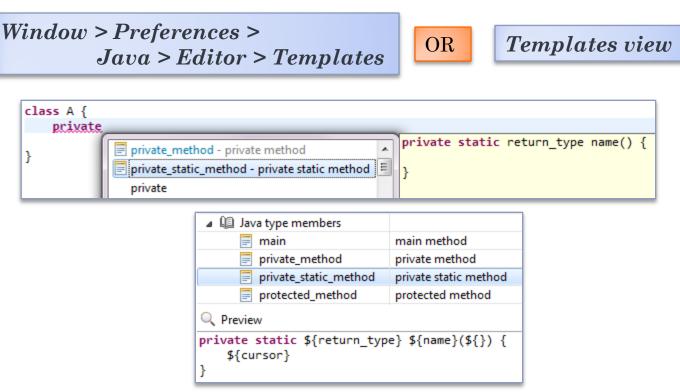
Create class 'List'

Create interface 'List'
```



Templates

- Templates are shown together with the Content Assist (Ctrl+Space) proposals.
- There are existing templates that you can configure or define new templates.

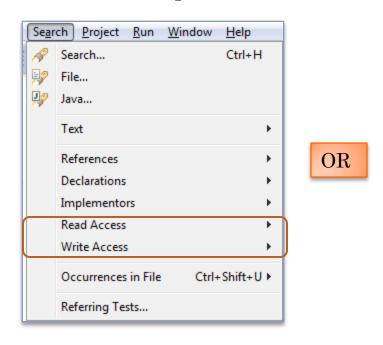


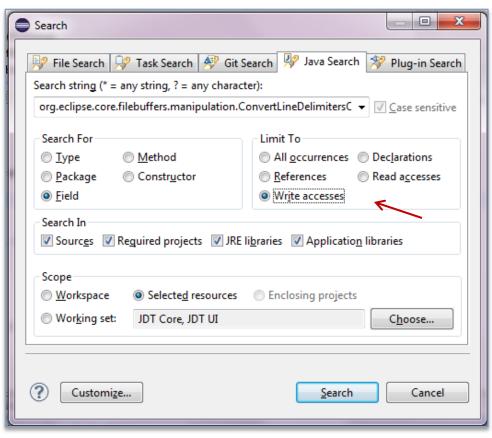


Search menu actions

To find all read/write accesses to the selected field or local variable in

the chosen scope.







Block Selection

To edit large number of almost identical lines.

```
Toggle Block Selection Mode (Alt+Shift+A)
```

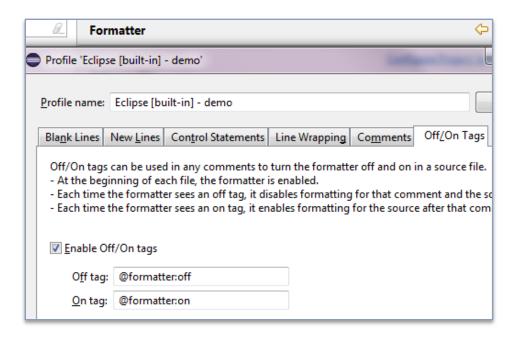
```
final class FileBuffersMessages extends NLS {
   private static final String BUNDLE NAME= FileBuffersMessages.class.getName();
   private FileBuffersMessages() {
       // Do not instantiate
    static String ConvertLineDelimitersOperation name;
   static String ConvertLineDelimitersOperation task generatingChanges;
    static String ConvertLineDelimitersOperation task applyingChanges;
    static String RemoveTrailingWhitespaceOperation name;
   static String RemoveTrailingWhitespaceOperation task generatingChanges;
   static String RemoveTrailingWhitespaceOperation task applyingChanges;
   static String FileBufferOperationRunner task connecting;
   static String FileBufferOperationRunner task disconnecting;
   static String FileBufferOperationRunner task committing;
   static String ContainerCreator task creatingContainer;
   static String ContainerCreator destinationMustBeAContainer;
   static {
       NLS.initializeMessages(BUNDLE NAME, FileBuffersMessages.class);
```

```
final class FileBuffersMessages extends NLS {
   private static final String BUNDLE NAME = F
   private FileBuffersMessages() {
       // Do not instantiate
   public static String ConvertLineDelimiters
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   public static String FileBufferOperationRu
   public static String ContainerCreator task
   public static String ContainerCreator dest
   static {
       NLS.initializeMessages(BUNDLE NAME, Fi
```



Formatter Off/On Tags

- Formatter Off/On tags can be used in any comment to turn the formatter off and on.
- Example: To prevent formatting of SQL queries.



```
//@formatter:off
private static final String QUERY =
"SELECT t.* " +
   "FROM table t " +
   "WHERE t.age > 18";
//@formatter:on
```



Quick Fixes and Quick Assists



Examples:

Quick Fix:

Quick Assist:

```
if (o instanceof String) {
    String string = (String) o;
}

Introduce new local with cast type
}
```

▶ Don't type too much yourself – Let Eclipse help you with quick fixes, quick assists, refactorings, content assist and more.

Keyboard Shortcuts



Examples:

Alt
$$+$$
 \uparrow $/$ $=$ Move line(s)





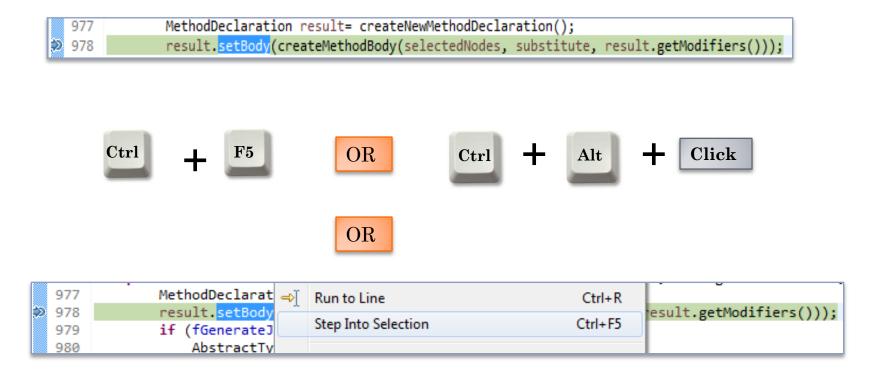
Debugging

- Smart Step Into Selection
- Types of Breakpoints
- Step Filters
- Scrapbook Page



Smart Step Into Selection

- To step into a single method within a series of chained or nested method calls.
- Example:



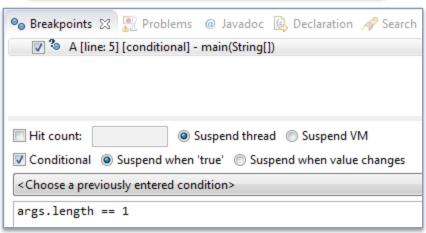
Types of Breakpoints



Line Breakpoint

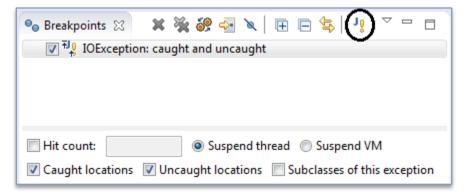
```
3 class A {
40  public static void main(String[] args) {
5     System.out.println("Hello");
6  }
7 }
```

• Conditional Breakpoint



Exception Breakpoint:

When exceptions are passed over several layers, they are often wrapped or discarded in another exception. To find the origins of an exception, use Exception breakpoint. The execution will suspend whenever the exception is thrown or caught.





Types of Breakpoints

Classload Breakpoint:

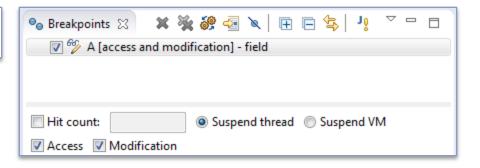
To inspect who is trying to load the class or where is it used for the first time.

```
G 3 class A {
49    public static void main(String[] args) {
5        System.out.println("Hello");
6    }
7 }
```

Watchpoint:

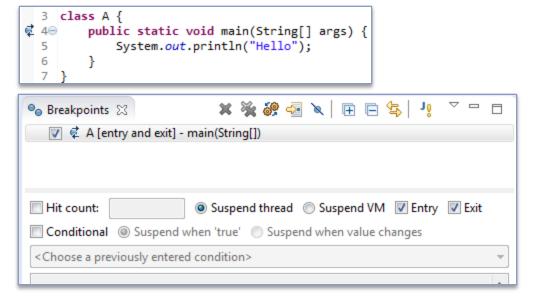
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3 class A {
   public int field;
   }
```

To suspend the execution where a field is accessed or modified.



Method Breakpoint:

To suspend the execution when the method is entered or exited.

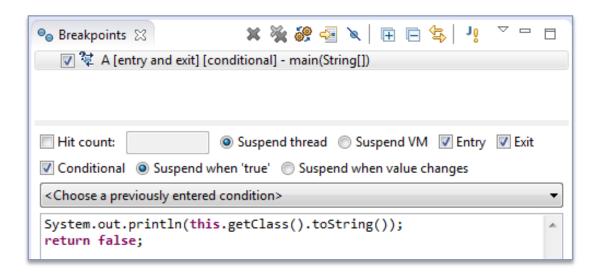




Printpoint: A *point* in code where the debugger does not *break* the execution but only *prints* to console.

- To debug race conditions or to see the order of threads execution.
- To prevent the addition of print statements in the code while debugging.

Set a conditional breakpoint with *Suspend when 'true'* option and a condition which is always false (eg: *return false*;) as the last statement.





Step Filters

To filter out specified classes and packages while steping into code during

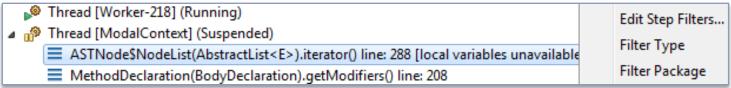
debugging.

Window > Preferences >
Java > Debug > Step Filtering

OR

In the Debug view, the selected stack frame's package or declaring type can be quickly added to the list of filters by selecting *Filter Type* or *Filter Package* from the stack frame's context menu.

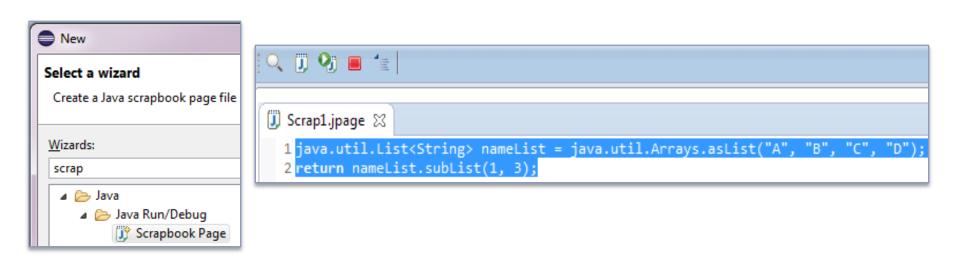






Scrapbook Page: A container for random snippets of code that can be executed any time without a context.

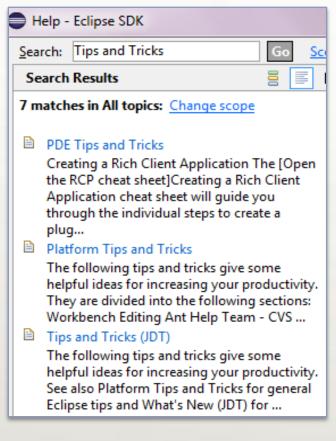
- To experiment with an API or test a piece of code (algorithm/method).
- No need to create a new project / class / main method / run the application to test.



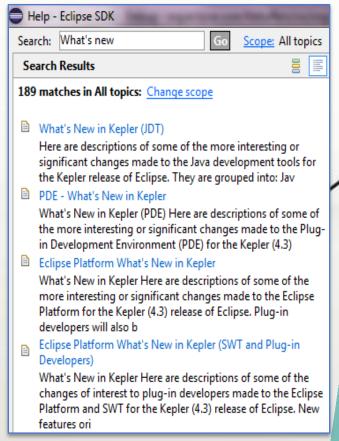
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