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Description	Syntax	Example(s)
Declaring Variables Section 2.5.4 (pg 47)	<pre>type name; name = value; OR type name = value;</pre>	<pre>int x; x = 5; char letter = 'a'; boolean valid = false;</pre>
if/else if/ else statements Section 3.5-3.6 (pg 76)	<pre>if (Condition) statement(s) else if (Condition2) statement(s) else statement(s)</pre>	<pre>if (x < 4) System.out.print("x < 4"); else if (x == 4) System.out.print("x == 4"); else System.out.print("x > 4");</pre>
Switch statement Section 4.6 (pg 134)	<pre>switch (variable) { case value: statement1; break; default: statementN; }</pre>	<pre>switch (letter) { case 'a': System.out.print("a"); break; default: System.out.print("??"); }</pre>
While statement Section 3.7 (pg 82)	<pre>while (Condition) { statement(s) manipulate variable }</pre>	<pre>while (x < 5) { System.out.print(x); x = x + 1; }</pre>
Compound Assignment(s) Section 3.11 (pg 99)	variable operator= expression;	x += 3; x -= y;
For statement Section 4.3 (pg 124)	<pre>for (initialization; condition;increment) { statement(s) }</pre>	<pre>for (int x = 0; x < 5; x++) { System.out.println(x); }</pre>
Casting & Promotion Section 5.7 (pg 175)	variable = (cast) expression;	<pre>double x = (double)8 / 9; double x = 3 + 4; double y = 7.5 * 2;</pre>
do while statement Section 4.5 (pg 132)	<pre>do { statement(s) }while (condition);</pre>	<pre>do { System.out.println(x); }while (x <= 10);</pre>

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Method Declaration Section 5.4 (pg 169)	accessmodifier returntype methodname (parameterlist) { Declaration and statements }	<pre>public static int add(x,y) { int sum = x + y; return sum; }</pre>
Array Declaration Section 6.4 (p 212)	<pre>type[] name; name = new type[size]; OR type[] name = new type[size]; type[][] name = new type[size][size];</pre>	<pre>int[] x; x = new int[5]; char[] letters = new char[26]; int[] nums = new int[10]; int[][] box = new int[4][4];</pre>
Enhanced for statement Section 6.7 (pg 223)	<pre>for (parameter: arrayName) { statement(s) }</pre>	<pre>for (int num: array) { System.out.println(num); }</pre>
Class Declarations Section 7.2 (p 267)	Accessmodifier class filename { Instance Variables Constructor (Optional) Methods }	<pre>public class test { //Implementation }</pre>
Instantiating an Object Section 7.1-7.2(p 266)	ClassName name = new ClassName(argument(s))	<pre>Scanner input = new Scanner(system.in); Random rand = new Random();</pre>