**use chocobytes;**

**select \* from java;**

**insert into java (title,content) values ("Introduction","This chapter introduces Java application programming. We begin with examples of programs**

**that display (output) messages on the screen. We then present a program that obtains**

**(inputs) two numbers from a user, calculates their sum and displays the result. You'll**

**learn how to instruct the computer to perform arithmetic calculations and save their results**

**for later use. The last example demonstrates how to make decisions. The application**

**compares two numbers, then displays messages that show the comparison results. You'll**

**use the JDK command-line tools to compile and run this chapter's programs.**

**");**

**insert into java (title,content) values ("Your First Program in Java: Printing a Line of Text","**

**A Java application is a computer program that executes when you use the java command**

**to launch the Java Virtual Machine (JVM). Later in this section we'll discuss how to compile**

**and run a Java application. First we consider a simple application that displays a line**

**of text. Figure 2.1 shows the program followed by a box that displays its output.**

**<code>**

**public class Welcome1**

**{**

**// main method begins execution of Java application**

**public static void main(String[] args)**

**{**

**System.out.println(\"Welcome to Java Programming!\");**

**} // end method main**

**} // end class Welcome1**

**</code>**

**");**

**insert into java (title,content) values ("Commenting Your Programs","**

**We insert comments to document programs and improve their readability. The Java compiler**

**ignores comments, so they do not cause the computer to perform any action when the**

**program is run.**

**By convention, we begin every program with a comment indicating the figure number**

**and filename.**

**begins with //, indicating that it's an end-of-line comment-it terminates at the end of**

**the line on which the // appears. An end-of-line comment need not begin a line; it also**

**can begin in the middle of a line and continue until the end**

**<code> // Fig. 2.1: Welcome1.java </code>**

**");**

**insert into java (title,content) values ("Performing Output with System.out.println","**

**<code>System.out.println(\"Welcome to Java Programming!\"); </code>**

**instructs the computer to perform an action-namely, to display the characters contained**

**between the double quotation marks (the quotation marks themselves are not displayed).**

**Together, the quotation marks and the characters between them are a string-also known**

**as a character string or a string literal. White-space characters in strings are not ignored**

**by the compiler. Strings cannot span multiple lines of code.**

**The System.out object-which is predefined for you-is known as the standard**

**output object. It allows a Java application to display information in the command**

**window from which it executes. In recent versions of Microsoft Windows, the command**

**window is the Command Prompt. In UNIX/Linux/Mac OS X, the command window is**

**called a terminal window or a shell. Many programmers call it simply the command line.**

**Method System.out.println displays (or prints) a line of text in the command**

**window. The string in the parentheses in line 9 is the argument to the method. When**

**System.out.println completes its task, it positions the output cursor (the location where**

**the next character will be displayed) at the beginning of the next line in the command**

**window. This is similar to what happens when you press the Enter key while typing in a**

**text editor-the cursor appears at the beginning of the next line in the document.**

**The entire line 9, including System.out.println, the argument \"Welcome to Java**

**Programming!\" in the parentheses and the semicolon (;), is called a statement. A method**

**typically contains one or more statements that perform its task. Most statements end with**

**a semicolon. When the statement in line 9 executes, it displays Welcome to Java Programming!**

**in the command window.**

**When learning how to program, sometimes it's helpful to "break" a working program**

**so you can familiarize yourself with the compiler's syntax-error messages. These messages do**

**not always state the exact problem in the code. When you encounter an error, it will give you**

**an idea of what caused it. [Try removing a semicolon or brace from the program of Fig. 2.1,**

**then recompile the program to see the error messages generated by the omission.]**

**");**

**insert into java (title,content) values ("Scanner Object for Receiving Input from the User","**

**You can Create a Scanner object named input for inputting the name from the user.then prompt the user to enter a name. and uses the Scanner object's nextLine method to**

**read the name from the user and assign it to the local variable theName. You type the name**

**and press Enter to submit it to the program. Pressing Enter inserts a newline character after**

**the characters you typed. Method nextLine reads characters (including white-space characters,**

**such as the blank in \"Jane Green\") until it encounters the newline, then returns a**

**String containing the characters up to, but not including, the newline, which is discarded.**

**Class Scanner provides various other input methods, as you'll see throughout the**

**book. A method similar to nextLine-named next-reads the next word. When you press**

**Enter after typing some text, method next reads characters until it encounters a white-space**

**character (such as a space, tab or newline), then returns a String containing the characters**

**up to, but not including, the white-space character, which is discarded. All information**

**after the first white-space character is not lost-it can be read by subsequent statements that**

**call the Scanner's methods later in the program.**

**");**

**insert into java (title,content) values ("Instantiating an Object-Keyword new and Constructors","create an Account object and assigns it to variable myAccount of type Account.**

**Variable myAccount is initialized with the result of the class instance creation expression**

**new Account(). Keyword new creates a new object of the specified class-in this case, Account.**

**The parentheses to the right of Account are required. As you'll learn in Section 3.4,**

**those parentheses in combination with a class name represent a call to a constructor, which**

**is similar to a method but is called implicitly by the new operator to initialize an object's**

**instance variables when the object is created. In Section 3.4, you'll see how to place an argument**

**in the parentheses to specify an initial value for an Account object's name instance**

**variable-you'll enhance class Account to enable this. For now, we simply leave the parentheses**

**empty. Line 10 contains a class instance creation expression for a Scanner object the expression initializes the Scanner with System.in, which tells the Scanner where to**

**read the input from (i.e., the keyboard).**

**");**

**insert into java (title,content) values ("Software Engineering with private Instance Variables and**

**public set and get Methods**

**","**

**As you'll see, through the use of set and get methods, you can validate attempted modifications**

**to private data and control how that data is presented to the caller-these are**

**compelling software engineering benefits. We'll discuss this in more detail in Section 3.5.**

**If the instance variable were public, any client of the class-that is, any other class**

**that calls the class's methods-could see the data and do whatever it wanted with it,**

**including setting it to an invalid value.**

**You might think that even though a client of the class cannot directly access a private**

**instance variable, the client can do whatever it wants with the variable through public set**

**and get methods. You would think that you could peek at the private data any time with**

**the public get method and that you could modify the private data at will through the**

**public set method. But set methods can be programmed to validate their arguments and**

**reject any attempts to set the data to bad values, such as a negative body temperature, a day**

**in March out of the range 1 through 31, a product code not in the company's product**

**catalog, etc. And a get method can present the data in a different form. For example, a**

**Grade class might store a grade as an int between 0 and 100, but a getGrade method**

**might return a letter grade as a String, such as \"A\" for grades between 90 and 100, \"B\"**

**for grades between 80 and 89, etc. Tightly controlling the access to and presentation of private data can greatly reduce errors, while increasing the robustness and security of**

**your programs.**

**Declaring instance variables with access modifier private is known as data hiding or**

**information hiding. When a program creates (instantiates) an object of class Account, variable**

**name is encapsulated (hidden) in the object and can be accessed only by methods of**

**the object's class.**

**");**

**insert into java (title,content) values ("Primitive Types vs. Reference Types","**

**Java's types are divided into primitive types and reference types. In Chapter 2, you worked**

**with variables of type int-one of the primitive types. The other primitive types are**

**boolean, byte, char, short, long, float and double, each of which we discuss in this**

**book-these are summarized in Appendix D. All nonprimitive types are reference types, so**

**classes, which specify the types of objects, are reference types.**

**A primitive-type variable can hold exactly one value of its declared type at a time. For**

**example, an int variable can store one integer at a time. When another value is assigned**

**to that variable, the new value replaces the previous one-which is lost.**

**Recall that local variables are not initialized by default. Primitive-type instance variables**

**are initialized by default-instance variables of types byte, char, short, int, long,**

**float and double are initialized to 0, and variables of type boolean are initialized to**

**false. You can specify your own initial value for a primitive-type variable by assigning the**

**variable a value in its declaration, as in**

**Programs use variables of reference types (normally called references) to store the**

**addresses of objects in the computer's memory. Such a variable is said to refer to an object**

**in the program. Objects that are referenced may each contain many instance variables.**

**creates an object of class Scanner, then assigns to the variable input a reference to that**

**Scanner object. creates an object of class Account, then assigns to the variable myAccount a reference to that**

**Account object. Reference-type instance variables, if not explicitly initialized, are initialized**

**by default to the value null-which represents a "reference to nothing." That's why the**

**first call to getName in line 16 of Fig. 3.2 returns null-the value of name has not yet been**

**set, so the default initial value null is returned.**

**To call methods on an object, you need a reference to the object. In Fig. 3.2, the statements**

**in method main use the variable myAccount to call methods getName (lines 16 and**

**26) and setName (line 21) to interact with the Account object. Primitive-type variables do**

**not refer to objects, so such variables cannot be used to call methods.**

**");**

**select \* from java;**

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