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References in C++

When a variable is declared as reference, it becomes an alternative name for an existing variable. A variable can be declared as reference by putting '&' in the declaration.

```
#include<iostream>
using namespace std;

int main()
{
    int x = 10;

    // ref is a reference to x.
    int& ref = x;

    // Value of x is now changed to 20
    ref = 20;
    cout << "x = " << x << endl ;

    // Value of x is now changed to 30
    x = 30;
    cout << "ref = " << ref << endl ;

    return 0;
}
```

