

→ Type Conversion:

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Type Conversion (Type Casting) refers to changing the entity of one data type variable into another data type.

*) Java supports implicit type conversion from smaller to larger data types. An Integer value can be assigned to the long data type.

*) But ~~Java~~ Kotlin doesn't support implicit type conversion.

Integer cannot be assigned to long data type in Kotlin.

*) In Kotlin, the help functions are used to explicitly convert one data type to another data type.

Q) What are help functions?

A) The help functions are: i) toByte(), ii) toShort(), iii) toInt(), iv) toLong(), v) toFloat(), vi) toDouble(), vii) toChar().

→ So total 7 help functions.

Now: If I have string input with the help of help functions

Can I convert to the Integer data type?

A) Exception error (NumberFormatException)

*) Note: There is no helper function available to convert into boolean type.

→ Program: uploaded the Kotlin file with name type-conversion.kt
Please check out.

*): Kotlin Expression, Statement, & Block:-

1): Expression:- It basically contains variables, operators, method calls etc that produce a single value.

Kotlin Expression is a building blocks of a program that are usually created to produce new value.

→ expression gives us a single value and that value is sometimes assigned to the variable.

→ Expression can contain another expression.

*): `var a = 100` (variable declaration, & we should not assume this as an expression.)

*): Assigning a value is not an expression (`b = 15`).

*): A class declaration is not an expression (`class xyz { ... }`).

Note:- In Kotlin, function return a value at least Unit, so every function is an expression.

Q): Program:- Identify & give me reasons what are expressions & why they are expressions:-

*): Note:- program uses concept of functions, you are not still aware of function concept it's okay.

→ `fun sumof(a: Int, b: Int): Int {`
 `return a + b;`
} } → this is a function
not a single expression/function } it is not an expression why?
} function returns a value at least unit: so every function is an expression.

→ `fun main (args: Array<String>) {`
 `val a = 10;`
 `val b = 5;`
 `var = sumof(a, b)` → Expression (refer 1st line of the page).
 `var mul = a * b;` → `a * b` is an expression, that value is assigned to variable.

} Expression or not?

→ Classification:-

* Function calls are expressions

* Function definition can be expression, particularly in the case of single-expression functions.

Q) What exactly is single-expression function?

A):- In Kotlin single-expression function is a function that consists of single expression to be evaluated.

Ex:- `fun add(a: Int, b: Int): Int = a + b`

-) Single expression function ^{can} omit curly braces `{ }` and the 'return keyword'. The return type can explicitly declared.

* Note:- In Kotlin ~~at~~ "main function does not produce a value" it simply initiates the execution of the program. Therefore, it is not classified as an expression in Kotlin.

* In 'java' `if` is a statement, but in Kotlin `if` is an expression. It is called an expression because it compares the value of 'a' and 'b' and returns the maximum value. Therefore, in Kotlin there is no ternary operator `(a > b) ? a : b` because it is replaced by `'if'` expression.

→ `var max = if (a > b) a else b`

→ if (condition) condition is satisfied else condition is not satisfied.

→ Kotlin statement:-

* A statement is a syntactic unit of programming that expresses some actions to be carried out. A program is formed by sequence of one or more statements.

→ Multiple Statements:

*): In the context when you write more than one statement in a single line.

ex- `println("puneeth"); println("Madhavi");` —, Multiple, statement

*): Kotlin block:

1): A block is a section of software code enclosed with curly braces `{ ... }`

2) Block contains so many statements.

3) Block can contain one or more blocks nested within it.

4) Every function has its own block & main function also contains a block.

→ When we talk about block, scope of variables comes into picture:

*): Note: The variables declared at the head of the block are visible throughout the block and any nested blocks, unless a variable with the same name declared at the head in the inner block. When a new declaration is effective throughout the inner block the outer declaration becomes effective ~~again~~ again at the end of the inner blocks.

Conclusion: Variables have nested scopes — True

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