



# Chapter 2

# Introduction to

# Java Applications



# OBJECTIVES

In this chapter you'll learn:

- To write simple Java applications.
- To use input and output statements.
- Java's primitive types.
- Basic memory concepts.
- To use arithmetic operators.
- The precedence of arithmetic operators.
- To write decision-making statements.
- To use relational and equality operators.



## 2.1 Our First Program in Java: Printing a Line of Text

```
1 // Fig. 2.1: Welcome1.java
2 // Text-printing program.
3
4 public class Welcome1
5 {
6     // main method begins execution of Java application
7     public static void main( String[] args )
8     {
9         System.out.println( "Welcome to Java Programming!" );
10    } // end method main
11 } // end class Welcome1
```

Welcome to Java Programming!

**Fig. 2.1** | Text-printing program.



## 2.2 Our First Program in Java: Printing a Line of Text (Cont.)

### ► Comments

```
// Fig. 2.1: welcome1.java
```

- // indicates that the line is a **comment**.
  - Used to **document programs** and improve their readability.
  - Compiler ignores comments.
  - A comment that begins with // is an **end-of-line comment**—it terminates at the end of the line on which it appears.
- **Traditional comment**, can be spread over several lines as in

```
/* This is a traditional comment. It  
can be split over multiple lines */
```

- This type of comment begins with /\* and ends with \*/.
- All text between the delimiters is ignored by the compiler.



## 2.2 Our First Program in Java: Printing a Line of Text (Cont.)

### ▶ Javadoc comments

- Delimited by `/**` and `*/`.
- All text between the Javadoc comment delimiters is ignored by the compiler.
- Enable you to embed program documentation directly in your programs.
- The [javadoc utility program](#) (Appendix M) reads Javadoc comments and uses them to prepare your program's documentation in HTML format.



## Good Programming Practice 2.1

*Some organizations require that every program begin with a comment that states the purpose of the program and the author, date and time when the program was last modified.*



## 2.2 Our First Program in Java: Printing a Line of Text (Cont.)

- ▶ Blank lines and space characters
  - Make programs easier to read.
  - Blank lines, spaces and tabs are known as **white space** (or whitespace).
  - White space is ignored by the compiler.



## 2.2 Our First Program in Java: Printing a Line of Text (Cont.)

- ▶ Class declaration

```
public class welcome1
```

- Every Java program consists of at least one class that you define.
- **class keyword** introduces a class declaration and is immediately followed by the **class name**.
- **Keywords** (Appendix C) are reserved for use by Java and are always spelled with all lowercase letters.



## 2.2 Our First Program in Java: Printing a Line of Text (Cont.)

- ▶ Class names
  - By convention, begin with a capital letter and capitalize the first letter of each word they include (e.g., `SampleClassName`).
  - A class name is an **identifier**—a series of characters consisting of **letters**, **digits**, **underscores (\_)** and **dollar signs (\$)** that does not begin with a digit and does not contain spaces.
  - Java is **case sensitive**—so `a1` and `A1` are different (but both valid) identifiers.



## Common Programming Error 2.2

*A public class must be placed in a file that has the same name as the class (in terms of both spelling and capitalization) plus the .java extension; otherwise, a compilation error occurs. For example, public class Welcome must be placed in a file named Welcome.java.*



## 2.2 Our First Program in Java: Printing a Line of Text (Cont.)

### ► Braces

- A **left brace**, `{`, begins the **body** of every class declaration.
- A corresponding **right brace**, `}`, must end each class declaration.
- Code between braces should be indented (锯齿状的) .
- We recommend using **three spaces** to form a level of indent.



## Error-Prevention Tip 2.1

*When you type an opening left brace, {, immediately type the closing right brace, }, then reposition the cursor between the braces and indent to begin typing the body. This practice helps prevent errors due to missing braces. Many IDEs insert the braces for you.*



## 2.2 Our First Program in Java: Printing a Line of Text (Cont.)

### ▶ Declaring the `main` Method

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

- Starting point of every Java application.
- Parentheses() after the identifier `main` indicate that it's a program building block called a `method`.
- Java class declarations normally contain one or more methods.
- `main` must be defined as shown; otherwise, the JVM will not execute the application.
- Keyword `void` indicates that this method will not return any information.



## 2.2 Our First Program in Java: Printing a Line of Text (Cont.)

- ▶ Body of the method declaration
  - Enclosed in left and right braces.
- ▶ Statement

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

- Instructs the computer to perform an action
  - Print the **string** of characters contained between the double quotation marks.
- White-space characters in strings are not ignored by the compiler.
- **Strings cannot span multiple lines of code.**

```
System.out.println("Welcome to"  
+ " Java Programming!");
```



## 2.2 Our First Program in Java: Printing a Line of Text (Cont.)

- ▶ `System.out` object
  - Standard output object.
  - Allows Java applications to display strings in the command window from which the Java application executes.
- ▶ `System.out.println` method
  - Displays (or prints) a line of text in the command window.
  - The string in the parentheses the argument to the method.
  - Positions the output cursor at the beginning of the next line in the command window.
- ▶ Most statements end with a semicolon.



## 2.2 Our First Program in Java: Printing a Line of Text (Cont.)

- ▶ Compiling and Executing Your First Java Application
  - Open a command window and change to the directory where the program is stored.
    - Many operating systems use the command `cd` to change directories.
  - To compile the program, type  
`javac welcome1.java`
  - If the program contains no syntax errors, preceding command creates a `.class` file (known as the `class file`) containing the platform-independent Java bytecodes that represent the application.



## Error-Prevention Tip 2.4

*When attempting to compile a program, if you receive a message such as “bad command or filename,” “javac: command not found” or “'javac' is not recognized as an internal or external command, operable program or batch file,” then your Java software installation was not completed properly. If you’re using the JDK, this indicates that the system’s PATH environment variable was not set properly. Please carefully review the installation instructions in the Before You Begin section of this book. On some systems, after correcting the PATH, you may need to reboot your computer or open a new command window for these settings to take effect.*



## Error-Prevention Tip 2.5

*Each syntax-error message contains the file name and line number where the error occurred. For example, Welcome1.java:6 indicates that an error occurred at line 6 in Welcome1.java. The rest of the message provides information about the syntax error.*



## Error-Prevention Tip 2.6

*The compiler error message “class Welcome1 is public, should be declared in a file named Welcome1.java” indicates that the file name does not match the name of the public class in the file or that you typed the class name incorrectly when compiling the class.*

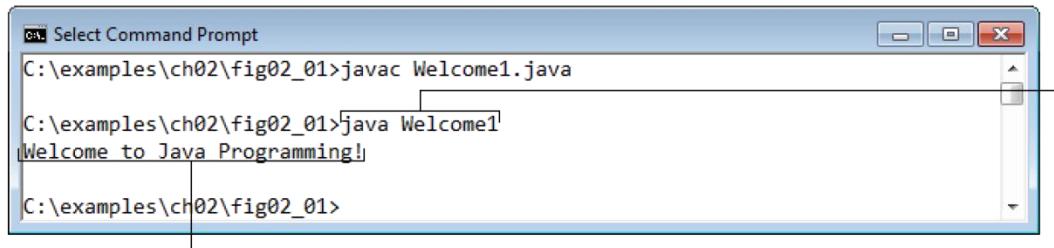


## 2.2 Our First Program in Java: Printing a Line of Text (Cont.)

- ▶ To execute the program, type `java Welcome1`.
- ▶ Launches the JVM, which loads the `.class` file for class `Welcome1`.
- ▶ Note that the `.class` file-name extension is omitted from the preceding command; otherwise, the JVM will not execute the program.
- ▶ The JVM calls method `main` to execute the program.



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The program outputs to the screen  
Welcome to Java Programming!

You type this command to execute the application

**Fig. 2.2** | Executing `Welcome1` from the **Command Prompt**.

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## Error-Prevention Tip 2.7

*When attempting to run a Java program, if you receive a message such as “Exception in thread "main"*

*java.lang.NoClassDefFoundError:*

*Welcome1,” your CLASSPATH environment variable has not been set properly. Please carefully review the installation instructions in the Before You Begin section of this book. On some systems, you may need to reboot your computer or open a new command window after configuring the CLASSPATH.*



## 2.3 Modifying Your First Java Program

- ▶ Class `Welcome2`, shown in Fig. 2.3, uses two statements to produce the same output as that shown in Fig. 2.1.

```
1 // Fig. 2.3: Welcome2.java
2 // Printing a line of text with multiple statements.
3
4 public class Welcome2
5 {
6     // main method begins execution of Java application
7     public static void main( String[] args )
8     {
9         System.out.print( "Welcome to " );
10        System.out.println( "Java Programming!" );
11    } // end method main
12 } // end class Welcome2
```

Welcome to Java Programming!

Prints `Welcome to` and leaves cursor on same line

Prints `Java Programming!` starting where the cursor was positioned previously, then outputs a newline character

Fig. 2.3

multiple statements.



```
1 // Fig. 2.4: Welcome3.java
2 // Printing multiple lines of text with a single statement.
3
4 public class Welcome3
{
5     // main method begins execution of Java application
6     public static void main( String[] args )
7     {
8         System.out.println( "Welcome\n to\n Java\n Programming!" );
9     } // end method main
10 } // end class Welcome3
```

```
Welcome
to
Java
Programming!
```

Each \n moves the output cursor to the next line, where output continues

**Fig. 2.4** | Printing multiple lines of text with a single statement.



## 2.3 Modifying Your First Java Program (Cont.)

- ▶ Newline characters indicate to `System.out`'s `print` and `println` methods when to position the output cursor at the beginning of the next line in the command window.
- ▶ Newline characters are white-space characters.
- ▶ The **backslash** (LARABIE FONTS) is called an **escape character**.
  - Indicates a “special character”
- ▶ Backslash is combined with the next character to form an **escape sequence**.
- ▶ The escape sequence `\n` represents the newline character.



Escape sequence	Description
\n	Newline. Position the screen cursor at the beginning of the next line.
\t	Horizontal tab. Move the screen cursor to the next tab stop.
\r	Carriage return. Position the screen cursor at the beginning of the current line—do <i>not</i> advance to the next line. Any characters output after the carriage return overwrite the characters previously output on that line.
\\"	Backslash. Used to print a backslash character.
\"	Double quote. Used to print a double-quote character. For example, <code>System.out.println( "\"in quotes\"" );</code> displays "in quotes".

**Fig. 2.5** | Some common escape sequences.



## 2.4 Displaying Text with printf

- ▶ **System.out.printf** method
  - f means “formatted”
  - displays formatted data



```
1 // Fig. 2.6: Welcome4.java
2 // Displaying multiple lines with method System.out.printf.
3
4 public class Welcome4
5 {
6     // main method begins execution of Java application
7     public static void main( String[] args )
8     {
9         System.out.printf( "%s\n%s\n",
10                            "Welcome to", "Java Programming!" );
11     } // end method main
12 } // end class Welcome4
```

Each %s is a placeholder for a String that comes later in the argument list

Statements can be split over multiple lines.

```
Welcome to
Java Programming!
```

Fig. 2.6 | Displaying multiple lines with method `System.out.printf`.



## 2.5 Another Application: Adding Integers

```
1 // Fig. 2.7: Addition.java
2 // Addition program that displays the sum of two numbers.
3 import java.util.Scanner; // program uses class Scanner
4
5 public class Addition
6 {
7     // main method begins execution of Java application
8     public static void main( String[] args )
9     {
10        // create a Scanner to obtain input from the command window
11        Scanner input = new Scanner( System.in );
12
13        int number1; // first number to add
14        int number2; // second number to add
15        int sum; // sum of number1 and number2
16
17        System.out.print( "Enter first integer: " ); // prompt
18        number1 = input.nextInt(); // read first number from user
19
20        System.out.print( "Enter second integer: " ); // prompt
21        number2 = input.nextInt(); // read second number from user
22
23        sum = number1 + number2; // add numbers, then store total in sum
```

Imports class Scanner for use in this program

Creates Scanner for reading data from the user

Variables that are declared but not initialized

Reads an int value from the user

Reads another int value from the user

Sums the values of number1 and number2

**Fig. 2.7** | Addition program that displays the sum of two numbers. (Part I of 2.)



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```
24
25     System.out.printf( "Sum is %d\n", sum ); // display sum
26 } // end method main
27 } // end class Addition
```

```
Enter first integer: 45
Enter second integer: 72
Sum is 117
```

**Fig. 2.7** | Addition program that displays the sum of two numbers. (Part 2 of 2.)



## 2.5 Another Application: Adding Integers (Cont.)

### ▶ import declaration

- Helps the compiler locate a class that is used in this program.
- Rich set of predefined classes that you can reuse rather than “reinventing the wheel.”
- Classes are grouped into **packages**—named groups of related classes—and are collectively referred to as the **Java class library**, or the **Java Application Programming Interface (Java API)**.
- You use **import** declarations to identify the predefined classes used in a Java program.



## Common Programming Error 2.5

*All `import` declarations must appear before the first class declaration in the file. Placing an `import` declaration inside or after a class declaration is a syntax error.*



## 2.5 Another Application: Adding Integers (Cont.)

### ▶ Variable declaration statement

```
Scanner input = new Scanner( System.in );
```

- Specifies the name (**input**) and type (**Scanner**) of a variable that is used in this program.

### ▶ Variable

- Must be declared with a **name** and a **type** before they can be used.



## 2.5 Another Application: Adding Integers (Cont.)

- ▶ **Scanner**
  - Enables a program to read data for use in a program.
  - Data can come from many sources, such as the user at the keyboard or a file on disk.
  - Before using a **Scanner**, you must create it and specify the source of the data.
- ▶ The equals sign (=) in a declaration indicates that the variable should be **initialized** (i.e., prepared for use in the program) with the result of the expression to the right of the equals sign.
- ▶ The **new** keyword creates an object.
- ▶ **Standard input object, System.in**, enables applications to read bytes of information typed by the user.
- ▶ **Scanner** object translates these bytes into types that can be used in a program.



## 2.5 Another Application: Adding Integers (Cont.)

- ▶ Variable declaration statements

```
int number1; // first number to add
int number2; // second number to add
int sum; // sum of number1 and number2
```

declare that variables `number1`, `number2` and `sum` hold data of type `int`

- They can hold integer.
- Range of values for an `int` is  $-2,147,483,648$  to  $+2,147,483,647$ .
- Actual `int` values may not contain commas.
- ▶ Several variables of the same type may be declared in one declaration with the variable names separated by commas.



## Good Programming Practice 2.7

*Declare each variable on a separate line. This format allows a descriptive comment to be inserted next to each declaration.*



## Good Programming Practice 2.9

*By convention, variable-name identifiers begin with a lowercase letter, and every word in the name after the first word begins with a capital letter. For example, variable-name identifier `firstNumber` starts its second word, `Number`, with a capital N.*



## 2.5 Another Application: Adding Integers (Cont.)

- ▶ **Prompt**
  - Output statement that directs the user to take a specific action.
- ▶ **System** is a class.
  - Part of package `java.lang`.
  - Class **System** is not imported with an `import` declaration at the beginning of the program.



## Software Engineering Observation 2.1

*By default, package `java.lang` is imported in every Java program; thus, classes in `java.lang` are the only ones in the Java API that do not require an import declaration.*



## 2.5 Another Application: Adding Integers (Cont.)

### ▶ Scanner method `nextInt`

```
number1 = input.nextInt(); // read first number from user
```

- Obtains an integer from the user at the keyboard.
- Program **waits** for the user to type the number and press the Enter key to submit the number to the program.



## Good Programming Practice 2.10

*Placing spaces on either side of a binary operator makes the program more readable.*



## 2.5 Another Application: Adding Integers (Cont.)

### ► Arithmetic

```
sum = number1 + number2; // add numbers
```

- “**sum** gets the value of **number1 + number2.**”
- In general, calculations are performed in assignment statements.
- Portions of statements that contain calculations are called **expressions.**



## 2.5 Another Application: Adding Integers (Cont.)

- ▶ Integer formatted output

```
System.out.printf( "Sum is %d\n", sum );
```

- Format specifier `%d` is a placeholder for an `int` value
- The letter `d` stands for “decimal integer.”

## 2.6 Memory Concepts

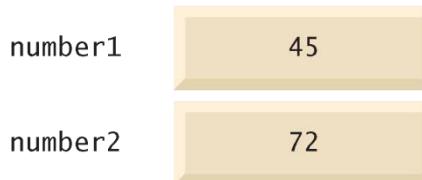
### ▶ Variables

- Every variable has a **name**, a **type**, a **size** (in bytes) and a **value**.
- When a new value is placed into a variable, the new value replaces the previous value (if any)
- The previous value is lost.



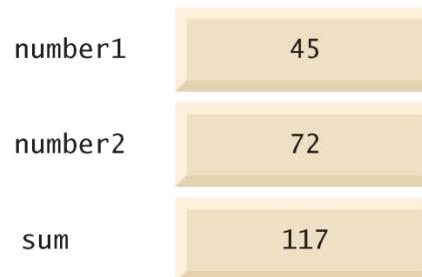
**Fig. 2.8** | Memory location showing the name and value of variable **number1**.

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**Fig. 2.9** | Memory locations after storing values for **number1** and **number2**.

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**Fig. 2.10** | Memory locations after storing the sum of **number1** and **number2**.

## 2.7 Arithmetic

Java operation	Operator	Algebraic expression	Java expression
Addition	+	$f + 7$	<code>f + 7</code>
Subtraction	-	$p - c$	<code>p - c</code>
Multiplication	*	$bm$	<code>b * m</code>
Division	/	$x / y$ or $\frac{x}{y}$ or $x \div y$	<code>x / y</code>
Remainder	%	$r \bmod s$	<code>r % s</code>

**Fig. 2.11** | Arithmetic operators.



## 2.8 Decision Making: Equality and Relational Operators

Standard algebraic equality or relational operator	Java equality or relational operator	Sample Java condition	Meaning of Java condition
<i>Equality operators</i>			
=	==	x == y	x is equal to y
≠	!=	x != y	x is not equal to y
<i>Relational operators</i>			
>	>	x > y	x is greater than y
<	<	x < y	x is less than y
≥	≥	x ≥ y	x is greater than or equal to y
≤	≤	x ≤ y	x is less than or equal to y

**Fig. 2.14** | Equality and relational operators.



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```
1 // Fig. 2.15: Comparison.java
2 // Compare integers using if statements, relational operators
3 // and equality operators.
4 import java.util.Scanner; // program uses class Scanner
5
6 public class Comparison
7 {
8     // main method begins execution of Java application
9     public static void main( String[] args )
10    {
11        // create Scanner to obtain input from command line
12        Scanner input = new Scanner( System.in );
13
14        int number1; // first number to compare
15        int number2; // second number to compare
16
17        System.out.print( "Enter first integer: " ); // prompt
18        number1 = input.nextInt(); // read first number from user
19
20        System.out.print( "Enter second integer: " ); // prompt
21        number2 = input.nextInt(); // read second number from user
22
```

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**Fig. 2.15** | Compare integers using if statements, relational operators and equality operators. (Part I of 3.)



```
23 if ( number1 == number2 )
24     System.out.printf( "%d == %d\n", number1, number2 );
25
26 if ( number1 != number2 )
27     System.out.printf( "%d != %d\n", number1, number2 );
28
29 if ( number1 < number2 )
30     System.out.printf( "%d < %d\n", number1, number2 );
31
32 if ( number1 > number2 )
33     System.out.printf( "%d > %d\n", number1, number2 );
34
35 if ( number1 <= number2 )
36     System.out.printf( "%d <= %d\n", number1, number2 );
37
38 if ( number1 >= number2 )
39     System.out.printf( "%d >= %d\n", number1, number2 );
40 } // end method main
41 } // end class Comparison
```

Output statement executes only if the numbers are equal

Output statement executes only if the numbers are not equal

Output statement executes only if **number1** is less than **number2**

Output statement executes only if **number1** is greater than **number2**

Output statement executes only if **number1** is less than or equal to **number2**

Output statement executes only if **number1** is greater than or equal to **number2**

**Fig. 2.15** | Compare integers using **if** statements, relational operators and equality operators. (Part 2 of 3.)



```
Enter first integer: 777
Enter second integer: 777
777 == 777
777 <= 777
777 >= 777
```

```
Enter first integer: 1000
Enter second integer: 2000
1000 != 2000
1000 < 2000
1000 <= 2000
```

```
Enter first integer: 2000
Enter second integer: 1000
2000 != 1000
2000 > 1000
2000 >= 1000
```

**Fig. 2.15** | Compare integers using if statements, relational operators and equality operators. (Part 3 of 3.)



## Common Programming Error 2.6

*Confusing the equality operator, ==, with the assignment operator, =, can cause a logic error or a syntax error. The equality operator should be read as “is equal to” and the assignment operator as “gets” or “gets the value of.” To avoid confusion, some people read the equality operator as “double equals” or “equals equals.”*

Operators	Associativity				Type
*	/	%		left to right	multiplicative
+	-			left to right	additive
<	$\leq$	>	$\geq$	left to right	relational
$\equiv$	$\neq$			left to right	equality
=				right to left	assignment

**Fig. 2.16** | Precedence and associativity of operators discussed.



## 2.9 I/O from the Command Line

- ▶ A program is often run from the command line and interacts with the user in the command line environment.
- ▶ Java supports this kind of interaction in two ways:
  - Standard Streams
  - The Console

# Standard Streams

- ▶ The Java platform supports three Standard Streams:
  - *Standard Input*, accessed through `System.in`;
  - *Standard Output*, accessed through `System.out`;
  - *Standard Error*, accessed through `System.err`.
- ▶ `System.in` is a byte stream
  - To use Standard Input as a character stream, wrap `System.in` in `InputStreamReader`.
  - `InputStreamReader cin = new InputStreamReader(System.in);`



# The Console

- ▶ The Console is particularly useful for secure password entry.
- ▶ The Console object also provides input and output streams that are true **character streams**, through its reader and writer methods.
- ▶ Before a program can use the Console, it must attempt to retrieve the Console object by invoking **System.console()**.

Example: **Password.java**

