Java and Spring Boot for C#/.NET Programmers

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Fundamentals

Student Workbook

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Our Learning Goals

- **Read and write programs with Java and its core libraries**
  - Find out where to get downloads and documentation
  - Explore Java language syntax
  - Explore the most useful standard libraries
- **Use the Eclipse IDE**
  - Take advantage of the editor's features for writing good code
  - Debug, test and profile code before (or after) deployment
  - Work with external build tools and repositories
- **Use the maven build engine to manage dependencies and produce properly packaged code**
- **Understand the Spring Framework libraries**
  - Spring framework
  - Spring MVC
  - Spring Web
  - Spring Data
  - Spring Boot
- **Demystify the "magic" that Spring Boot performs**
- **Leverage your knowledge of C# and .NET concepts and apply them to Java**

Our Approach

- **Focus on Java SE 1.8.0_351**
  - Newer Java release features may be mentioned without elaboration
- **Short, focused lectures with relatively simple examples**
  - Easy to read, but not always most elegant
- **Many links to online references and source code**
  - Use them, and Google frequently
- **Short labs that illustrate typical usage**
  - Code-along, to show language and IDE features
  - Self-propelled to develop your skills
- **Generally, a bottom-up approach to the language and tools**
  - Core language and JVM concepts in order so they build on each other
  - Demystify the "magic" of high-level frameworks like Spring Boot
- **Ask questions!**
  - If you don't ask me, I'll ask you...

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- **Cat Dad with 50 years of programming experience**
  - ... starting with hand-punched cards on a Wang 600
- **Significant experience in Education, Information Technology, and Aerospace industries**
- **Favorite languages include FORTRAN, C, C++, and Java**
- **Hobbies include cooking, music, photography, glassworking**

Meet My Boss

- **His name is Bai-Bai, and he is pretty much the boss of me**

Section 1-2

Introducing Java

TL;DR

- **One-stop shopping for info about Java SE 8 is at Oracle:**
  - **https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/**
  - **https://docs.oracle.com/javase/tutorial/java/index.html**
- **Everything about Spring Boot is here:**
  - **https://spring.io/projects/spring-boot**
- **If you use maven, look no further:**
  - **https://maven.apache.org/**
- **If you prefer gradle, try this:**
  - **https://docs.gradle.org**
- **Tired of Visual Studio? Want to use Eclipse?**
  - https://www.eclipse.org/
- **For everything else, stick around**
  - Or Google it...

"Write Once, Run Anywhere"

- **Java started the revolution in software portability**
  - Java 1.0 was developed by Sun Microsystems and released in 1996
- **The Java Virtual Machine (JVM) is a portable execution environment for diverse hardware/software platforms**
  - Linux, Windows, Mac, Android, Embedded systems, etc.
  - Similar to the .NET Common Language Runtime
- **The Java Runtime Environment (JRE) provides a large library of classes that support desktop, web, mobile and backend applications**
  - Some are essential to the language and are called the Platform API
  - Similar to .NET Base Class Library
- **The Java Software Development Kit (JDK) provides a curated set of tools and utilities for building Java applications**
  - including the Java compiler, debugger, and packaging tools
- **Java applications compile down to a common byte code format called "class files"**
  - These are portable between JVMs
  - Many other languages also target the JVM by producing class files
    - e.g., Kotlin, Scala, Clojure, Jython, jRuby - even Micro Focus COBOL!

Java Specifications

- **Java has a *specification* that describes the language keywords, syntax, and semantics**
  - There are numerous implementations of Java compilers
- **The Java Virtual Machine has a *specification* for how class files are loaded, linked and executed at run time**
  - There are numerous implementations of the JVM on different operating systems and hardware platforms
- **The Java Platform API *specifies* core library classes that are used by many portions of the JDK and user apps**
  - e.g., java.lang.Object, the base class for all Java classes
- **To read the Java Language and JVM specifications, look here:**
  - **https://docs.oracle.com/javase/specs/**
- **To read the Java SE 8 Platform API documentation, look here:**
  - **https://docs.oracle.com/javase/8/**
  - You will spend a lot of time here

Free and Open Source

- **Java specifications are overseen by the Java Community Process**
  - Defines and manages Java Specification Requests (JSRs) to add new features to the standards
  - When someone talks about "JSR 330" (or something like that) look here:
    - **https://jcp.org**

- **Development is done by members of the OpenJDK Community**
  - They work on the code that implements JSRs
    - Under the Oracle Contributor Agreement
  - They build the JDK tools according to JDK Enhancement Proposals (JEPs)
  - When people say "Project Valhalla" or "Project Loom", or "JEP 161" look here:
    - **https://openjdk.org**

- **The *reference implementations* of the JVM, JRE and JDK are open source code on github**
  - If you want to read source code and know how it *really* works, look here:
    - https://github.com/openjdk/

- **Oracle acquired the trademark and Sun Microsystems in 2010**
  - Oracle drives the release schedule
  - Extended support from Oracle will cost you

- **There are plenty of proprietary implementations of Java compilers, JVMs, and libraries**
  - There are many Products and Frameworks layered on top of Java

Java Downloads

- **Java SE 8 distributions can be downloaded from Oracle:**
  - https://www.oracle.com/java/technologies/javase/javase8u211-later-archive-downloads.html

- **Java SE Runtime Environment (JRE)**
  - The "public" JRE
  - Provides the JVM and platform libraries so you can run programs that have been compiled to class files
  - Does not include any development tools

- **The Java SE Development Kit (JDK)**
  - Provides the compiler, linker, debugger, jar management tools, performance monitors, etc.
  - Does not include any standard Java editor or workbench

- **Documentation can be downloaded separately**
  - https://www.oracle.com/java/technologies/javase-jdk8-doc-downloads.html
  - In case you want to work offline

Free Java IDEs

- **Interactive Development Environments are easy to get**
  - All of them support additional languages and features through plugins
    - e.g., PHP, HTML5, CSS, JavaScript, C, C++, Kotlin, Scala
    - Even non-C languages like FORTRAN and COBOL
  - Most are Open Source
  - Here are some of the most popular:

- **Eclipse IDE**
  - Download and explore at the Eclipse Foundation
    - https://www.eclipse.org
    - Open source
    - The base for many derivative products, e.g., Spring Tool Suite (STS), MyEclipse

- **Apache NetBeans**
  - Download and explore at the Apache Software Foundation
    - https://netbeans.apache.org/
    - Open source

- **IntelliJ IDEA**
  - Download and explore at JetBrains
    - https://www.jetbrains.com/idea/
    - Community Edition is open source
    - Derivative products include Android Studio

- **Visual Studio Code**
  - Download and explore at Microsoft
    - https://code.visualstudio.com/
    - A handy and good looking editor

- **Many, many others, including JDeveloper from Oracle, extensions to emacs, vim**

Java Language Features

- **A general-purpose, object-oriented programming language**
  - You can build just about anything
- **Like C#, Java is a member of the C/C++ language family**
  - Classes, interfaces, methods, member variables, loops and logic will look familiar to any C# programmer
- **Emphasizes portability, familiarity, and simplicity**
  - Deliberately hides complicated features of C and C++ programs
    - Hardware native types
    - Pointers and addresses
    - Memory management
    - Preprocessor and #include files
    - Operator overloading
- **A dynamic language**
  - Class discovery, loading, resource optimization and configuration is done at runtime, rather than compile time
  - HotSpot JVM optimizes on the fly
  - Objects carry extensive run-time type information for reflection
- **Automatic garbage collection**
  - Unused objects are automatically removed from memory
  - Garbage collector can be tuned for different environments
- **A ton of immediately useful libraries**
  - Threads, concurrency, networking, I/O, collections, reflection, etc.
  - Most of Java programming is learning about the libraries
- **Base platform for many important technology stacks**
  - Apache tomcat, Spring Boot, Hibernate, Java EE, Minecraft, etc.

Version History

See Wikipedia: Java Version History

Version	class file format version[8]	Release date	End of Free Public Updates[9][10][11][12][13][14][15]	Extended Support Until
JDK 1.0	?	23th January 1996	?	?
JDK 1.1	45	2nd February 1997	October 2002	?
J2SE 1.2	46	4th December 1998	September 2003	?
J2SE 1.3	47	8th May 2000	October 2010	?
J2SE 1.4	48	13th February 2002	October 2008	February 2013
Java SE 5	49	29th September 2004	November 2009	April 2015
Java SE 6	50	11th December 2006	April 2013	December 2018 for Oracle[9] December 2026 for Azul[12]
Java SE 7	51	28th July 2011	September 2022 for OpenJDK Maintained by Oracle until May 2015[16], Red Hat until August 2020[17] and Azul until September 2022[18]	July 2022 for Oracle[9] June 2020 for Red Hat[13] December 2027 for Azul[12]
Java SE 8 (LTS)	52	18th March 2014	OpenJDK currently maintained by Red Hat[19] March 2022 for Oracle (commercial) December 2030 for Oracle (non-commercial) December 2030 for Azul[12] May 2026 for IBM Semeru[14] At least May 2026 for Eclipse Adoptium[10] At least May 2026 for Amazon Corretto[11]	December 2030 for Oracle[9] November 2026 for Red Hat[13]
Java SE 9	53	21th September 2017	March 2018 for OpenJDK	—
Java SE 10	54	20th March 2018	September 2018 for OpenJDK	—
Java SE 11 (LTS)	55	25th September 2018	OpenJDK currently maintained by Red Hat[20] September 2026 for Azul[12] October 2024 for IBM Semeru[14] At least October 2024 for Eclipse Adoptium[10] At least September 2027 for Amazon Corretto[11] At least October 2024 for Microsoft[21][15]	September 2026 for Oracle[9] September 2026 for Azul[12] October 2024 for Red Hat[13]
Java SE 12	56	19th March 2019	September 2019 for OpenJDK	—
Java SE 13	57	17th September 2019	OpenJDK currently maintained by Azul[22] March 2023 for Azul[12]	—
Java SE 14	58	17th March 2020	September 2020 for OpenJDK	—
Java SE 15	59	16th September 2020	OpenJDK currently maintained by Azul[23] March 2023 for Azul[12]	—
Java SE 16	60	16th March 2021	September 2021 for OpenJDK	—
Java SE 17 (LTS)	61	14th September 2021	OpenJDK currently maintained by SAP[24] September 2029 for Azul[12] October 2027 for IBM Semeru[14] At least September 2027 for Microsoft[15] At least September 2027 for Eclipse Adoptium [10]	September 2029 or later for Oracle[9] September 2029 for Azul[12] October 2027 for Red Hat[13]
Java SE 18	62	22th March 2022	September 2022 for OpenJDK and Adoptium	—
Java SE 19	63	20th September 2022	March 2023 for OpenJDK	—
Java SE 20	—	March 2023	September 2023 for OpenJDK	—
Java SE 21 (LTS)	—	September 2023	September 2028	September 2031 for Oracle[9]

Legend: Old version | Older version, still maintained | **Latest version** | Future release

Version Compatibility

- **Generally, older class files can run on newer JVMs**
  - The Java SE 19 JVM supports class file versions 46+
- **The compiler can produce older class file representations**
  - The Java SE 19 compiler can produce class files compatible with Java SE 7 and later JVMs
  - Controlled by --target option
- **The compiler can enforce older source code syntax**
  - The Java SE 19 compiler can enforce source code compliance back as far as Java SE 7
  - Controlled by --source option
- **The target release must be equal to or higher than the source release**

Java Evolution

- **The Java language architects know that there are many implementations of Compilers and JVMs, and have their priorities**
  - Don't break backwards compatibility
    - Don't add an operator or a keyword if a library would do
    - Don't expose hardware details
    - Consider changes to the JVM VERY VERY carefully
    - OpenJDK curates a giant set of test cases
  - Change is slow... JREs and Projects can go on for years and years
- **The Platform API developers know that libraries are big, and have their own priorities**
  - Don't expand the Platform library unless everyone needs it
  - Move towards proper modularization of the Platform APIs
    - Support tiny devices
    - Hide internal APIs
    - Update public APIs to match real world needs
  - Change is slow... e.g., Compact profiles in Java SE 8, modules in Java SE 9, tooling still in work

Java Revolution

- **Everyone else just wants to code, but they all have different apps and priorities**
  - Change must be fast! If Java language or Platform API doesn't do it, write something new!
  - Introduce features as fast as possible via new frameworks!
  - Explore all that can be done with Reflection, Class Loaders, Annotations and native methods (written in C)
- **Cool features show up first as libraries or tools, and may (*eventually*) get folded back into Platform library, language, or even the JVM**
- **There are multiple public, competing, open-source libraries for any particular abstraction**
  - Graphics, Web page template engines, Web services, Data Acesss
- **We don't get one standard library, we get twenty!**

Comparing Java and C#

- **Little differences - we'll cover them today**
  - Basic data types
  - Capitalization conventions
  - Language syntax
  - Classes and Interfaces

- **Ordinary differences we'll cover this week**
  - Data type hierarchy
  - APIs for important libraries like networking or I/O
  - OO encapsulation, inheritance and polymorphism
  - Threads
  - Lambdas

- **Perplexing differences will require a long time to absorb**
  - Build tools and project directory structures
  - Packaging and distribution of libraries
  - Repositories
  - Concepts exposed as keywords in C# vs libraries in Java
    - Example: await/yield keywords vs Future<> class
  - Dependencies

Java Big Concepts

- **Portability / Hardware independence**
  - Explains some features
- **Organization of source and compiled code**
  - Source code and bytecode in "packages"
  - "modules" introduced in Java SE 9
  - Deployment in JAR files
- **Run-time configuration**
  - Class Loaders (and CLASSPATH)
  - Reflection
  - Annotations as a general extension mechanism
- **Native C methods as a necessary evil**
  - um, what happened to "portability"? ...

Let's Try It!

- **Let's go old-school!**
- **Open a command window and follow along with me as we illustrate a VERY IMPORTANT point about Java by writing Hello World**

Hello World

- **The source file `HelloWorld.java` can be typed into a simple text editor or created in an IDE**
  - Holds a single method named `main`, which prints out a message

Example

```
/* This is the file HelloWorld.java
   The class name is the same as the file name,
   but without the .java extension
*/

public class HelloWorld {

  // A Java main program
  public static void main( String[] args ) {
    System.out.println( "Welcome to Java!" );
  }
}
```

- **The class name is `HelloWorld`**

- **Java is case-sensitive, everywhere, always**
  - You will learn to depend on capitalization conventions
  - More on keywords and syntax later

Compiling

- **The `javac` command runs the Java compiler**
  - Argument specifies the file(s) to be compiled
  - `.java` extension is required after source filenames

    Example

    ```
    prompt> javac HelloWorld.java
    ```

  - To compile all Java files in the current directory:

    Example

    ```
    prompt> javac *.java
    ```

- **The compiler creates the bytecode file `HelloWorld.class`**

Running from the Command Line

- **The `java` command runs the Java virtual machine**
  - Argument specifies name of the *class* holding the main program

Example

```
prompt> java HelloWorld
Welcome to Java!
```

- **Just one problem, and it's a big one**
  - HelloWorld is in the default package, and we *never* want to do that

Packages

- **A *package* is a group of related classes that reside in the same directory**
  - To assign a class to a package, declare the package name in the first non-comment line of the source file

Example

```
package com.pekia;

public class HelloWorld { ... }
```

- **The fully qualified class name is now `com.pekia.HelloWorld`**

- **The class file *must* go in a directory that matches its package name**
  - Each dot in the package name implies a subdirectory
  - `HelloWorld.class` *must* go in a directory named `com\pekia`
  - You can use the `-d` compiler option to create the appropriate subdirectories automatically

Example

```
prompt> javac –d . HelloWorld.java
```

- **Then use the *fully-qualified* class name when running**

Example

```
prompt> java com.pekia.HelloWorld
Welcome to Java!
```

- **C# programmers note:**
  - This is similar to the C# namespace

JAR Files

- **Java applications use hundreds of `.class` files and directories**
- **For ease of handling, these are always packaged in JAR files**
- **A *Java ARchive* (JAR) file holds an entire directory tree**
  - PKZIP format
  - Filename usually has a `.jar` extension
- **C# programmers note:**
  - This is the equivalent of an assembly (.dll or .exe)

The Class Loader

- **Java programs are linked at run time**
- **The *class loader* loads class files as they are needed in code**
- **The *default class loader* looks in the following places:**
  - Bootstrap classes in the JRE core JAR files
  - Installed extension classes in extension JAR files
  - **Finally, application-specific directories (or JARs) specified by the `CLASSPATH` environment variable or `java` command line**

CLASSPATH

- **CLASSPATH IS ABSOLUTELY CRITICAL AT RUNTIME**
- **The classpath is a list of directories and/or JAR files**
  - Each entry is used, in order, as the root of a directory tree when resolving a fully-qualified class name
  - Default value is the current working directory `"."`
- **Let's say you compile like this:**

```
prompt> javac -d D:\MYWORK\bin HelloWorld.java
```

- **You can set the `CLASSPATH` environment variable**

```
prompt> SET CLASSPATH=%CLASSPATH%;.;D:\MYWORK\bin
prompt> java com.pekia.HelloWorld
```

- **... or pass as a command-line option to the JVM**

```
prompt> java –classpath D:\MYWORK\bin com.pekia.HelloWorld
```

  - This option overrides the `CLASSPATH` environment variable
- **You CANNOT set a classpath globally that satisfies all applications and drivers**
  - Most Java apps are run by scripts or executables that set `CLASSPATH` first, then run the JVM

Importing Classes

- **Classes declared `public` can be used by code in other packages**
  - The imported class must be ON THE CLASSPATH at compile time and at run time
  - They can be referenced by their fully qualified names

```
java.awt.Button b = new java.awt.Button("Submit");
```

- ***Import* a class to make its simple name available**

```
// Imports go after package statement, but before class
import java.awt.Button;
...
// Short name is now OK
Button b = new Button("Submit");
```

- **Import an entire package with a wildcard `"*"`**

```
import java.awt.*;
```

  - but wildcard does *not* import classes in subdirectories

```
import java.awt.*;
import java.awt.event.*;  // must import explicitly
```

- **`import` has no effect on code size or execution time**
  - Just gives the compiler permission to look in specified packages to resolve short names

- **Classes in the package `java.lang` are always imported automatically**

- **Eclipse note:**
  - Eclipse will automatically search for simple class names in the project classpath, and will offer to write the import statement
  - Select Project menu -> Properties to select the Build Path and the JRE runtime

Module 2

Introducing the Eclipse IDE

Base Software Setup

- **Windows 10**
- **Java SE 8 (JDK + JRE)**
- **Eclipse JEE 2022.03 or later**
- **Maven**
- **Access to github.com public repositories**
- **On-Line References**

Free Java IDEs

- **General-purpose, customizable, cross-platform tools are easy to get**
  - All of them support additional languages and features through plugins
    - e.g., PHP, HTML5, CSS, JavaScript, C, C++, Kotlin, Scala
    - Even non-C languages like FORTRAN and COBOL
  - Most are Open Source
  - Here are some of the most popular:

- **Eclipse IDE**
  - Download and explore at the Eclipse Foundation
    - https://www.eclipse.org
    - Open source
    - The base for many derivative products, e.g., Spring Tool Suite (STS), MyEclipse

- **Apache NetBeans**
  - Download and explore at the Apache Software Foundation
    - https://netbeans.apache.org/
    - Open source

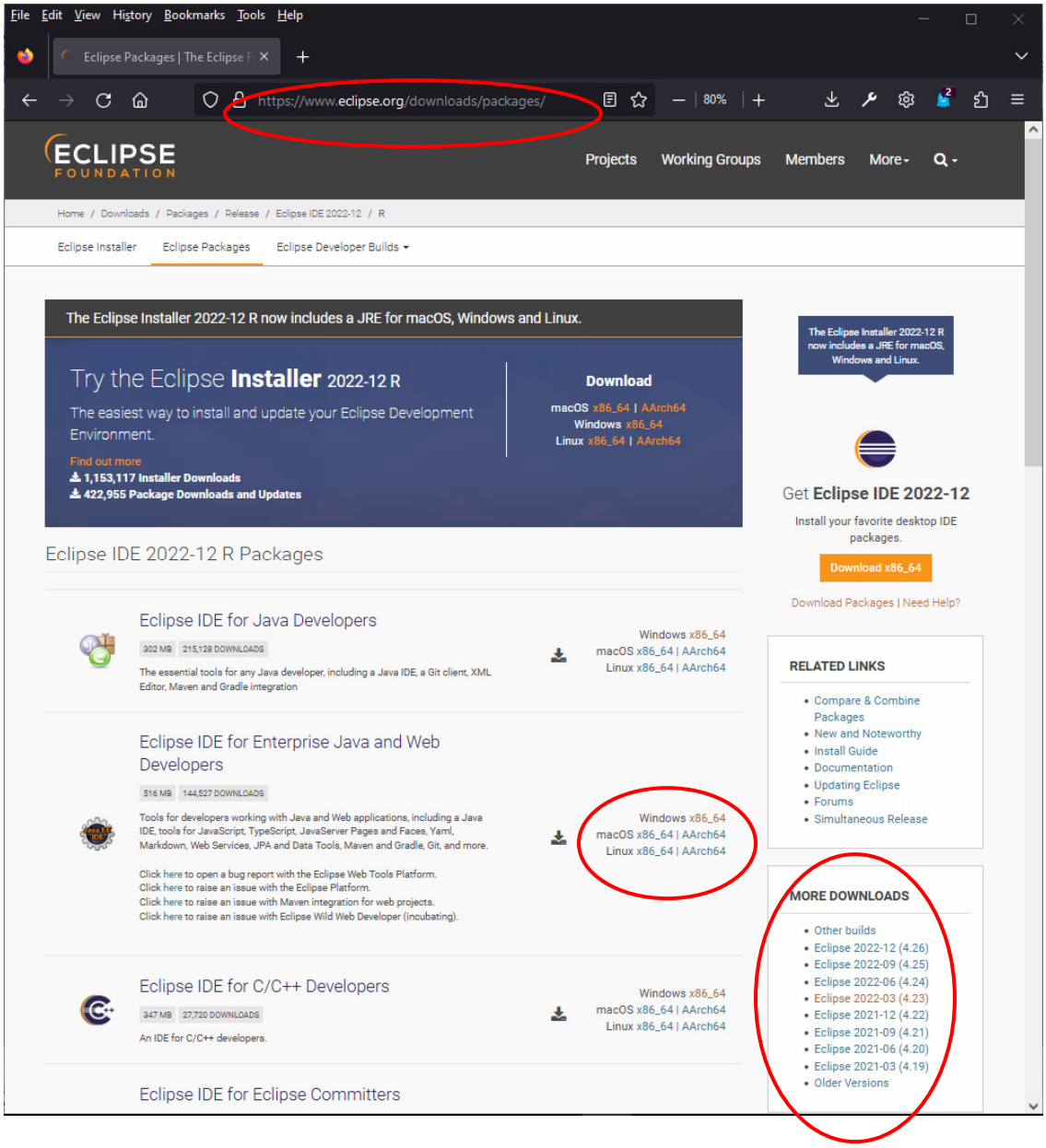
- **IntelliJ IDEA**
  - Download and explore at JetBrains
    - https://www.jetbrains.com/idea/
    - Community Edition is open source
    - Derivative products include Android Studio

- **Visual Studio Code**
  - Download and explore at Microsoft
    - https://code.visualstudio.com/
    - A handy and good looking editor

- **Many, many others, including JDeveloper from Oracle, extensions to emacs, vim**

Install Eclipse

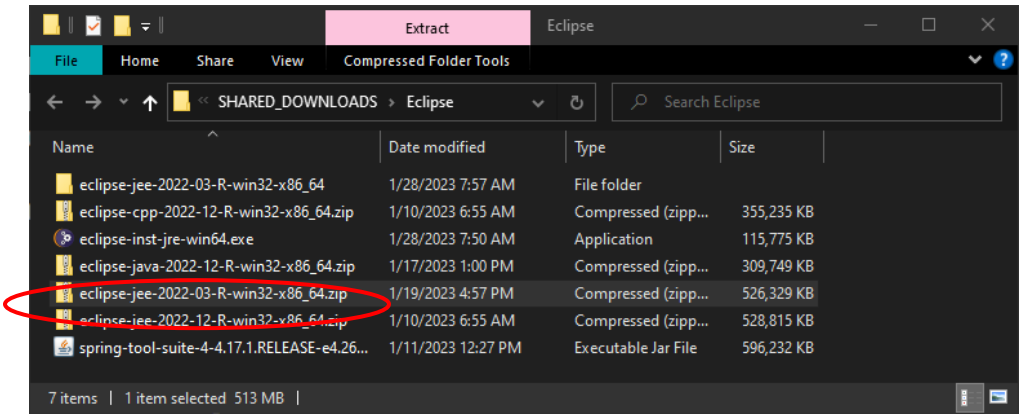
- **Browse installation packages on eclipse.org website**
  - o https://www.eclipse.org/downloads/packages/



- **Download the version and the archive type (.zip, .dmg, .exe installer, .etc) that you want**

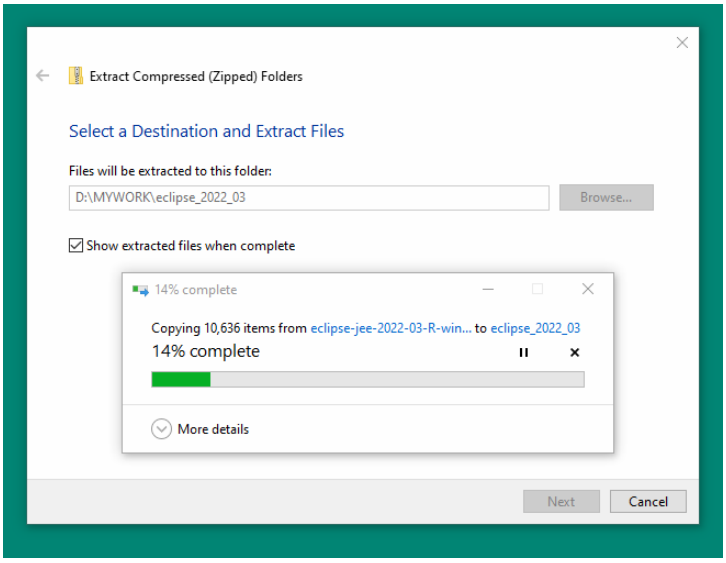
Local installation (no privileges)

- **Download .zip archive from eclipse.org**

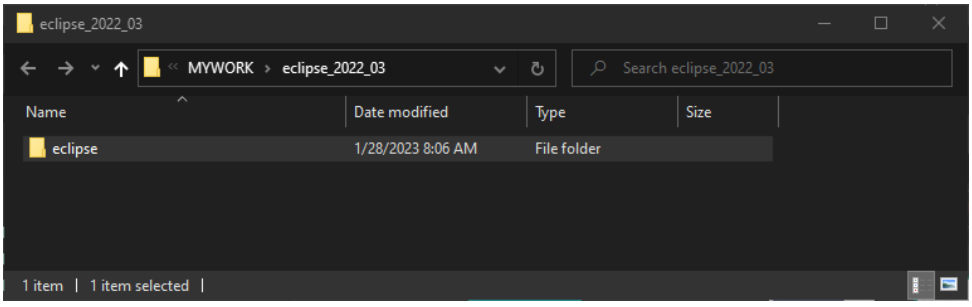


- **In your download directory, select the zip file; then right-click and select Extract All... from the context menu**

- **Extract to a folder that you can access**
  - in this example, D:\MYWORK\eclipse_2022_03



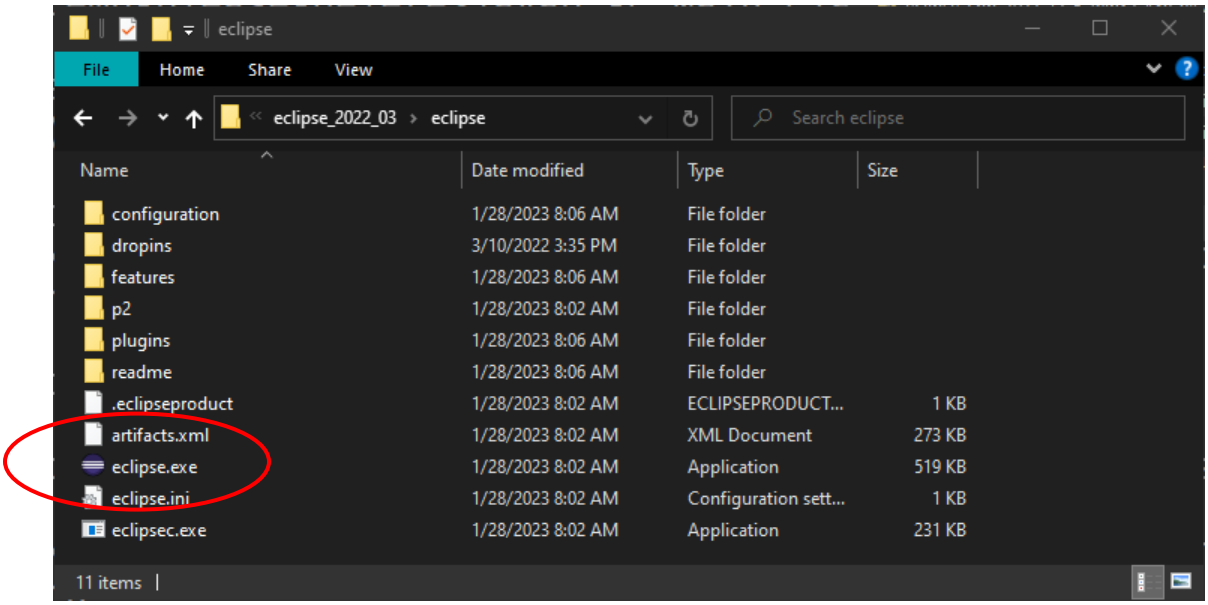
- **Done; you have created the eclipse installation directory!**



Follow Along With Me

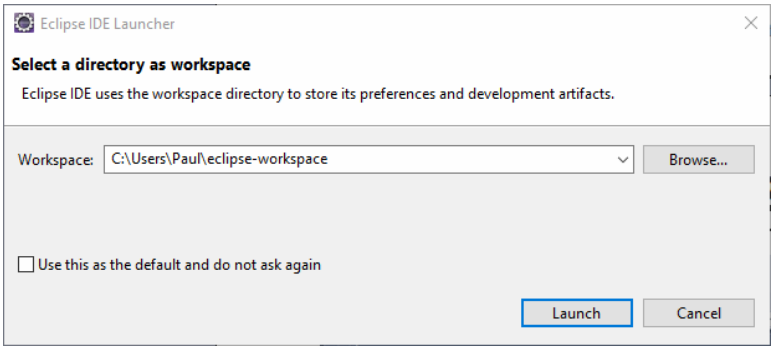
- **Let's take it for a spin!**
- **Follow along as we:**
  - Start Eclipse
  - Select a workspace
  - Create a Java project
  - Write some code
  - Compile, run, and debug it
  - Customize the IDE a bit

Start Eclipse



- **Run eclipse.exe**
  - For convenience, you can create a shortcut for eclipse.exe; then copy your desktop, pin to taskbar, pin to start
  - Add the installation directory to your %PATH% if you'd like to be able to start it from the command line
    - eclipsec.exe uses the command line as a logging console
- **The installation includes a built-in JRE, which runs the workbench**
  - Works out-of-the-box, even if you haven't installed another JDK or JRE

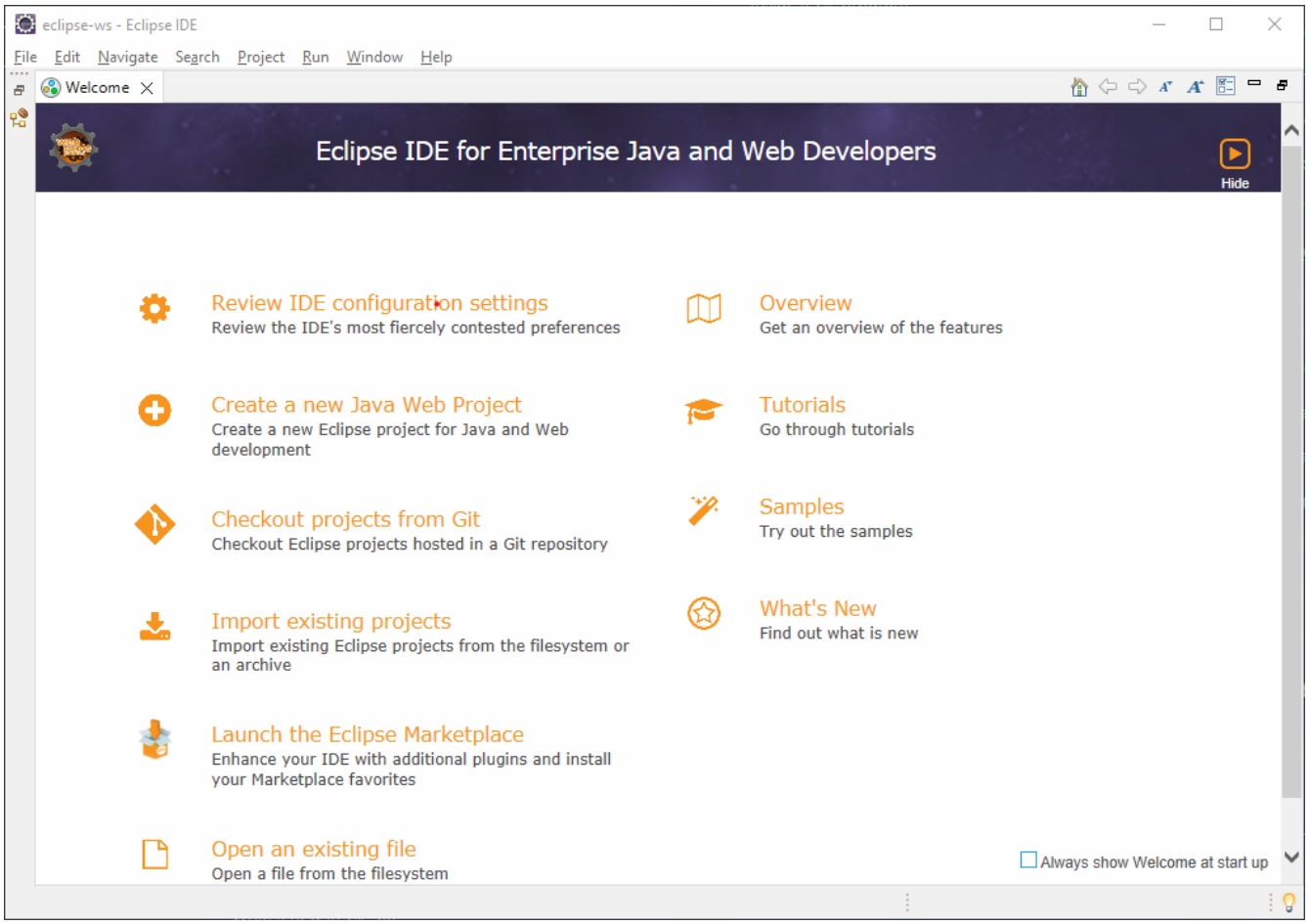
Select a Workspace



- **A *workspace* is a directory where eclipse stores your work**
  - Think of it as your home base
- **By default, eclipse creates a workspace in your home directory**
  - If you don't want this, change it to some other directory you can access
- **It doesn't matter what you name it, or where you put it, but please make sure you can find it easily during class**
- **You can have many different workspaces**
  - You might want to develop C++ in one, and build Java web apps in another
  - Each workspace has its own setup, look, tools and projects

Welcome

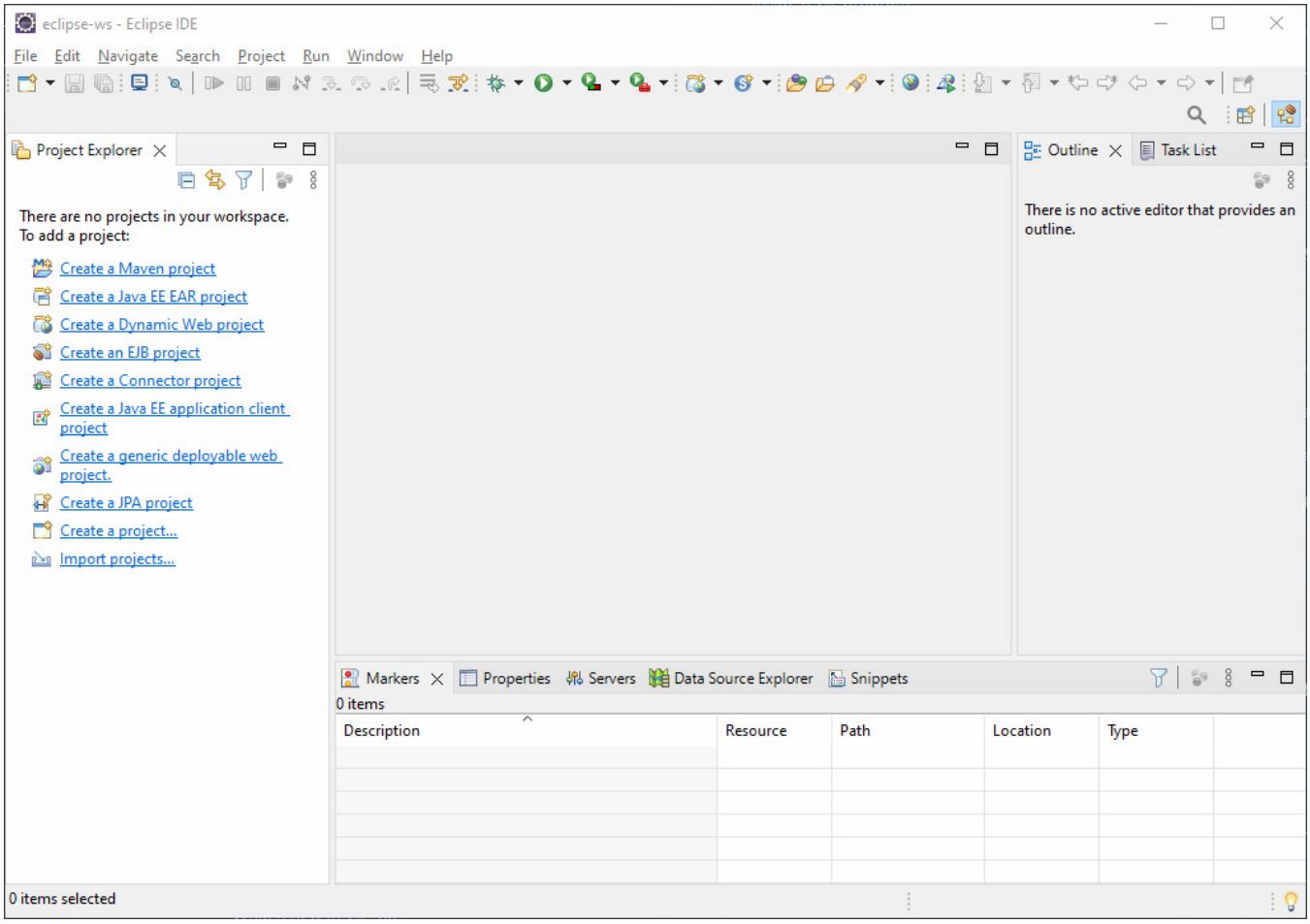
- **The welcome screen is displayed the first time you run eclipse**



- **Dismiss it (for now) by clicking on the X in its tab**

The Eclipse Workbench (empty)

- **No projects yet**

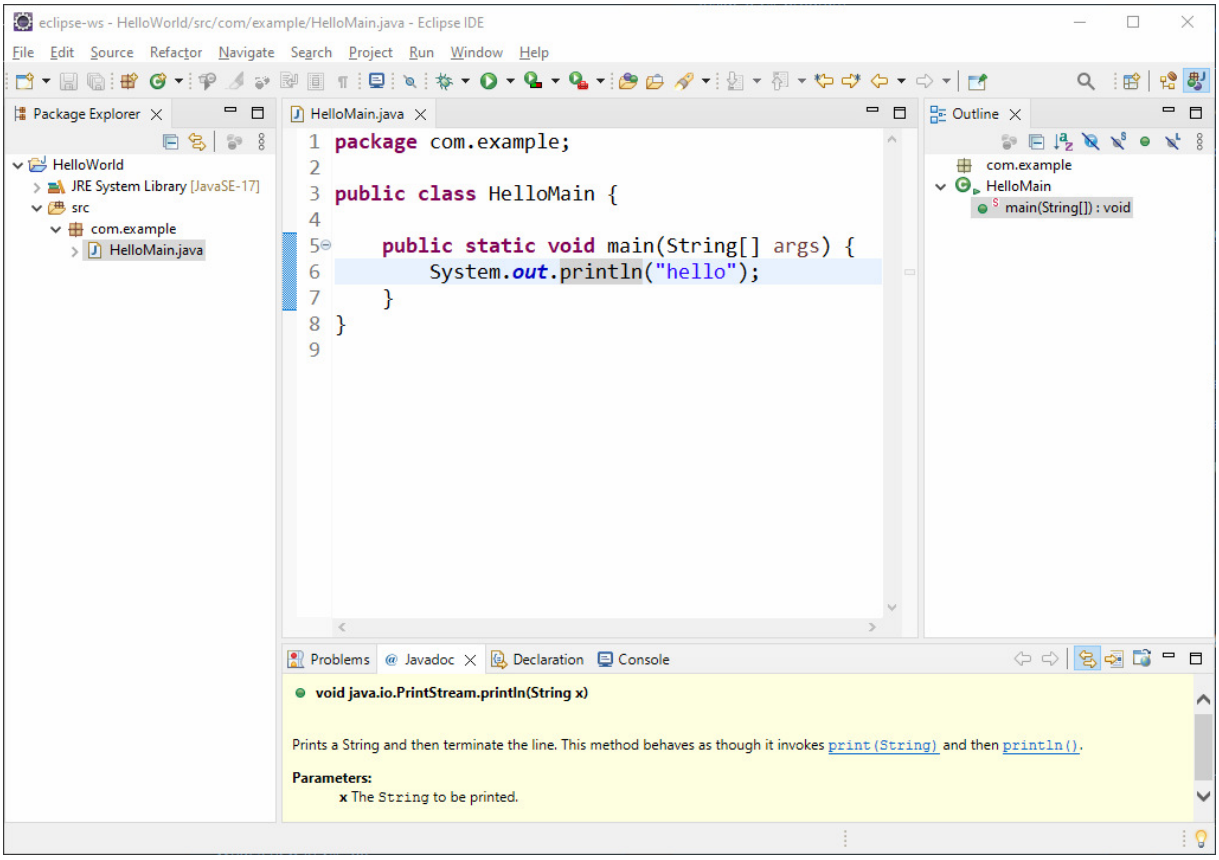


- **Old-school, big tool**
  - Menus with many choices
  - Toolbars with lots of icons
  - Tabbed, dockable panes to display different tools, views, files

- **As we go along we'll customize it and tidy it up**

Eclipse Workbench

- **After building a project**



About the User Interface

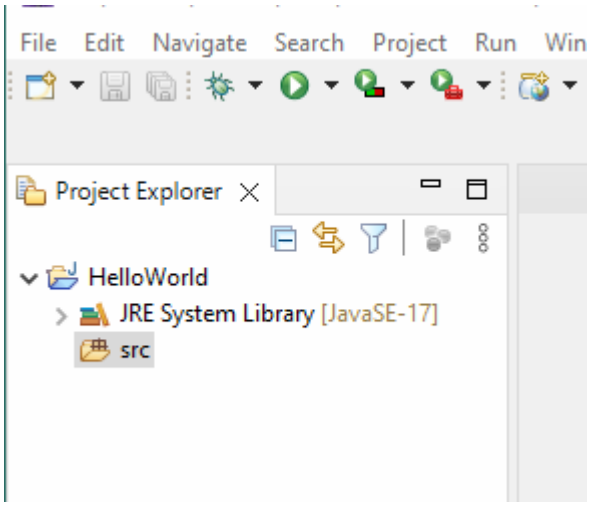
- **Each tabbed window is called a *View***
  - To hide a View
    - Select the little X in the corner of its tab, or
    - Right-click in tab; select Close
  - To show a View
    - Select Window menu -> Show view -> *view name*
    - The view you want is often under Other...

- **A prearranged set of views is called a *Perspective***
  - You'd probably use different views for debugging than you do for code management
  - To change your perspective
    - Select Window menu -> Open perspective -> *perspective name*
    - Or, way up in the upper right corner, click on one of the little perspective icons icons

Create a Java Project

- **A *Project* is a set of resources (files, servers, etc.) that must be edited and maintained together**
  - Produces an artifact that can be deployed and managed
  - A JAR file, for a Java project

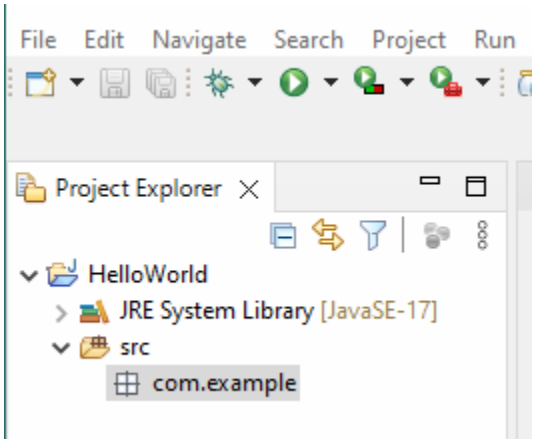
- **To create the Project**
  - Select File menu -> new -> Project...
  - Then, select "Java Project" from the list
  - In the Wizard, enter your project name, e.g. HelloWorld
  - Select the Finish button
  - You now have an empty project!



- **C# programmers note**
  - This is similar to how projects in VS produce assemblies

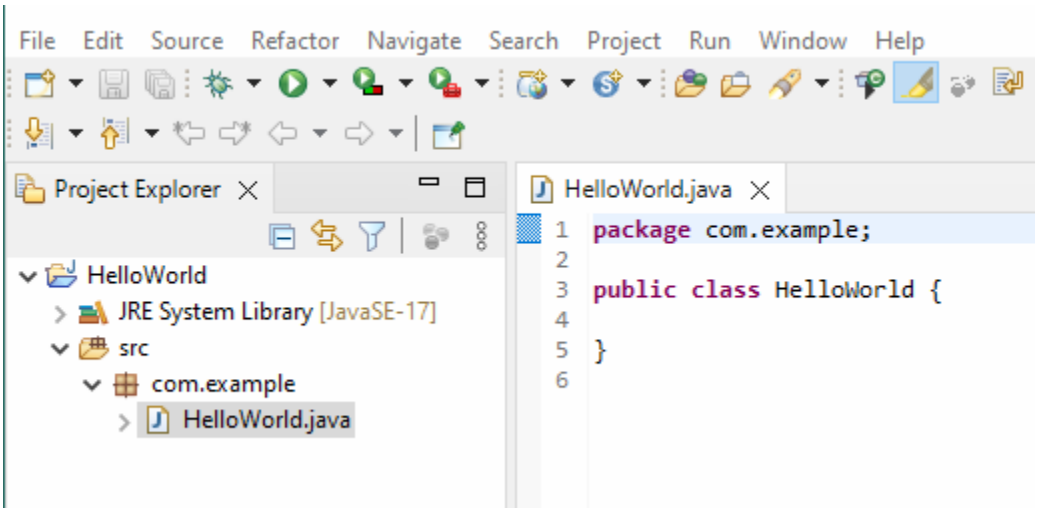
Create a package

- **You don't want to use the "default" package!**
- **To create a package**
  - Select your src folder
  - Right-click to select context menu -> New -> Package
  - In the Java Package wizard, provide a name, e.g., `com.example`
    - All lower case, with dots for separators
  - Select Finish
  - You have an empty package directory!



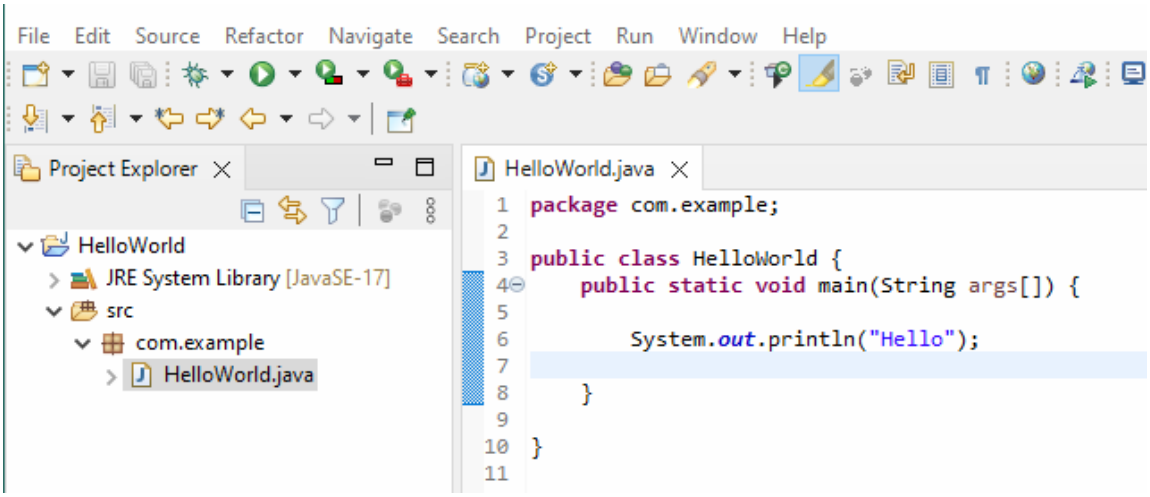
Create a Class

- **To create a Class**
  - Select your package folder
  - Right-click to select context menu -> New -> Class
  - In the Java Package wizard, provide a name, e.g., `HelloWorld`
    - One word, in PascalCase
  - Select Finish



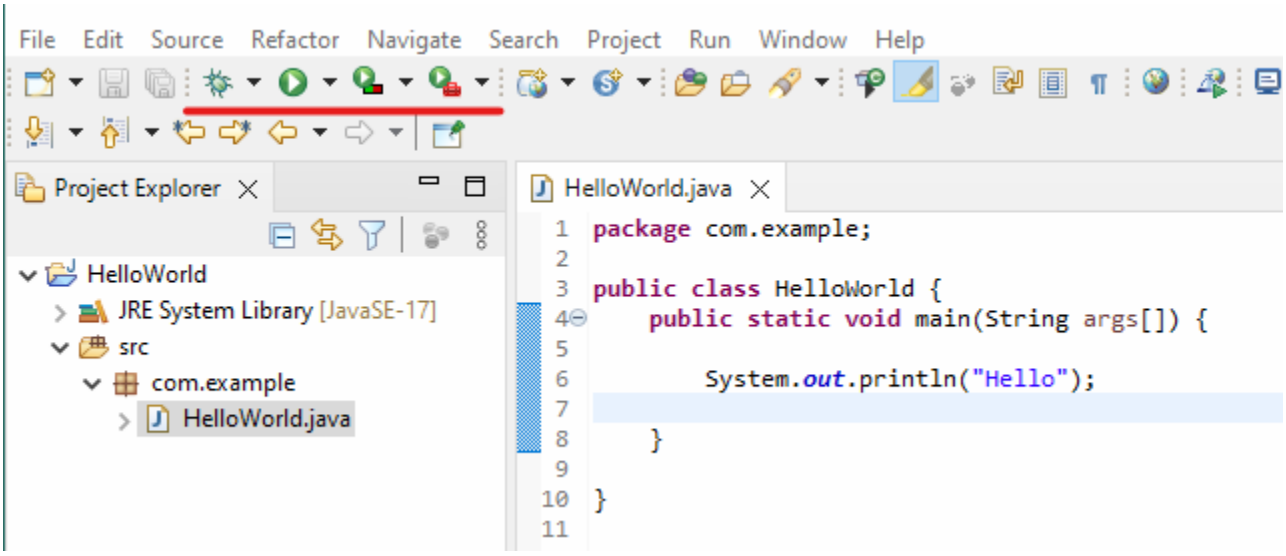
Write Some Code

- **Write a simple main program**
  - Ctrl-S to save it



Run It

- **Using the toolbar, select the green arrow button**



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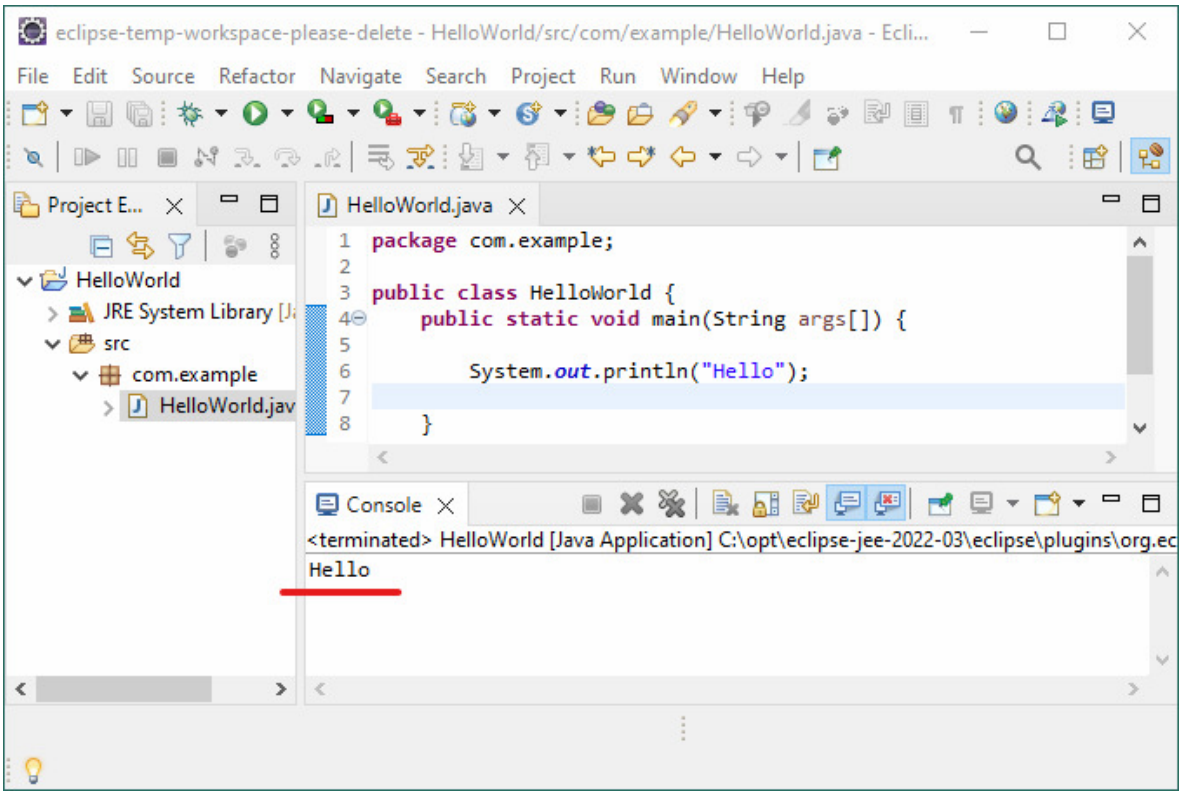
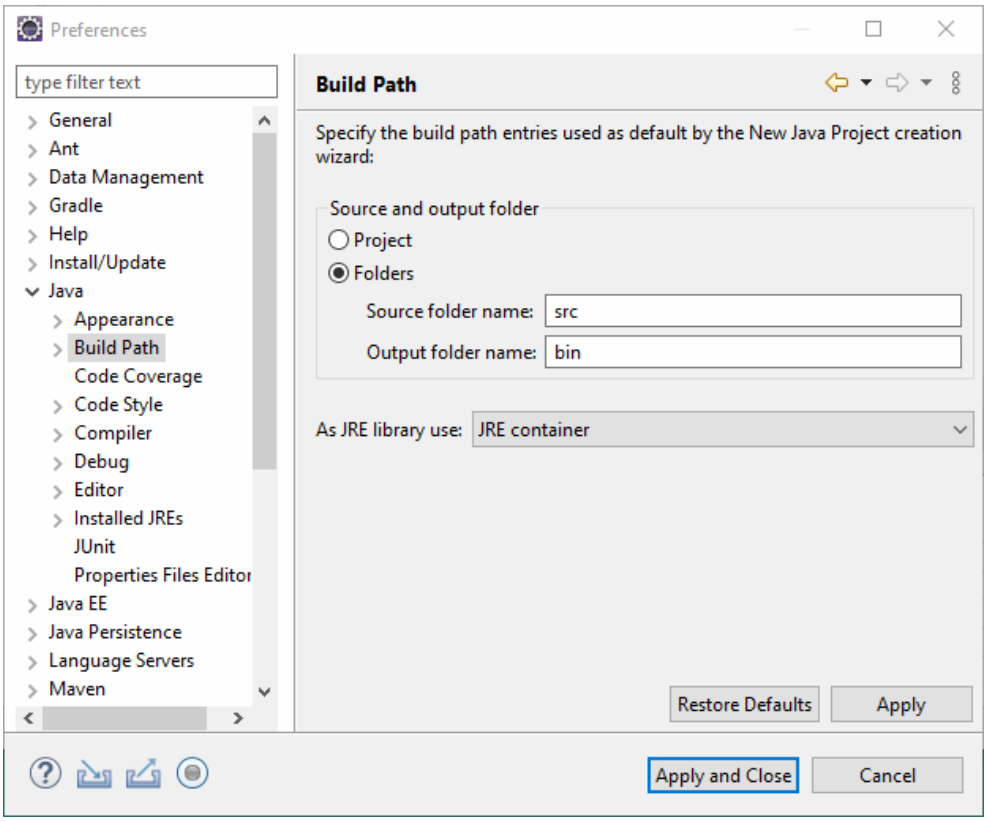


Workspace Preferences

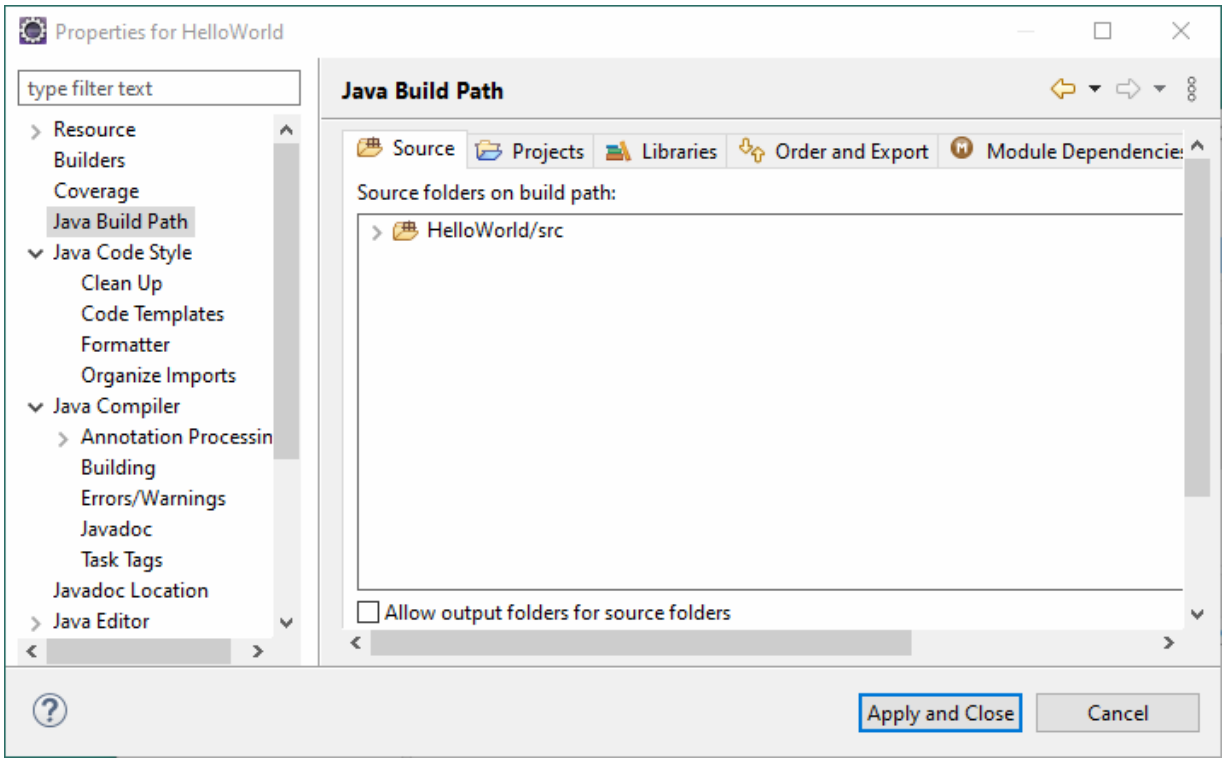
- **These control the default behavior of Eclipse in this workspace**
- **Window menu -> Preferences**
  - And... BEHOLD ALL TEH OPTIONS !!!
  - Grouped in categories/subcategories
  - At least it has a "search" feature



- **Make a cheatsheet for options you care about; google all else**
  - Some categories, at least, will become familiar to you
- **Workspace settings are stored in the .metadata hidden subdirectory**
  - List of current Projects, their types and status
  - Links to external repositories or directories
  - Eclipse config files
  - Current workbench settings and state
    - Eclipse can look very different in different workspaces!

Project

- **Project Properties control how a particular project is managed, written, built, and executed**
- **Select Project menu -> Properties**



- **Some of these settings will override the workspace defaults**
  - e.g., Java Build Path, JRE for running the project, etc.

Eclipse Plugins

- **Eclipse is the Sum of its Plugins**
  - Without plugins, it's an empty shell
- **Each plugin adds features to the workbench**
  - Views and Editors
  - Wizards to generate or manage code
  - Adapters to external systems, e.g. Git, Tomcat servers
  - New menu choices and items in settings dialogs
- **Pre-configured downloads are based on profiles**
  - Java Developer, Java for Enterprise Developer, C/C++ Developer, etc.
  - Profiles are defined by the Eclipse Packaging project
    - https://projects.eclipse.org/projects/technology.packaging
- **Ultimately, you can decide which plugins you keep**
  - Select Help menu -> About Eclipse IDE to manage which plugins are part of your installation

Module 3

Java Language Syntax

Section 3-1

Java Basics

Twin Children of C / C++

- **The basic syntax of Java is the same as C#**
  - Case-sensitive identifiers
  - Comments are standard C-style block /* */ and end-of-line //
  - Each statement ends with a semicolon (;)
  - Whitespace is ignored unless part of a quoted string
  - Curly braces { } delimit code blocks, including class declarations, method bodies, compound statements, etc.
  - Expression syntax and operators are familiar (though not identical)
  - No global functions

- **Loops and logic are very similar**
  - conditional logic with if/else and switch/case
  - loops with for, while, do/while
  - Jump statements return, break, continue

- **But there are important differences! Let's look at the easy stuff first:**

Class Anatomy

- **The basic block of Java code is a *class***
  - `public` classes can be accessed from code in other packages

```
// This is the file <srcdir>/com/pekia/JellyBean.java

package com.pekia.beans;

public class JellyBean {

    public static final int SUGAR_CALORIES_PER_POUND = 1775;

    private int calories;
    private String flavor;

    public JellyBean(int calories, String flavor) {
       super();
       this.calories = calories;
       this.flavor = flavor;
    }

    public int getCalories() {
       return calories;
    }

    public String getFlavor() {
       return flavor;
    }

    public static void main(String[] args) {
       JellyBean jb = new JellyBean(3750, "TwoPoundPurple");
    }

}
```

- **One `public` class per source file**
  - File name is the same as the class name
  - Package name reflects the directory name of the source and class files

- **C# programmers note**
  - There is no struct keyword; class instances are always reference types.

Naming conventions

- **These conventions will take a bit of getting used to, but please follow them**

- **package names are lowercase and should start with a reversed domain name identifying the responsible entity**

```
com.apple.quicktime.v2
org.springframework.boot
```

- **Class and Interface names use PascalCasing**

```
BigInteger
String
Object
ProductBeanFactory
```

- **Method, field, parameter and variable names ALL use camelCasing**

```
inputStream
mainWindow
stopDependentThreads()
```

- **constants are UPPERCASE with underscores between words**

```
static final int MAX_ASYNC_QUERIES = 27;
static final double ASPECT_RATIO = 1.75;
```

- **C# programmers note:**
  - Interface names do not have to begin with an uppercase letter I (eye)
  - There are no Property names, because properties are represented in Java by setter and getter methods!
  - You can't use the @ sign prefix to declare an identifier with the same name as a keyword; it is reserved for use with annotations

Code Formatting Conventions

- **Style is always hotly contested, and you should do what your organization thinks is right:**
  - Tabs vs. spaces for indents
  - Brace alignment and indentation on code blocks
  - Indentation for multi-line statements
  - Whitespace around operators, parentheses, parameters, etc.
  - Comment styles
  - Use of lambdas
  - blah blah blah
- **Best bet - automate this and forget it**
- **In eclipse, set up your preferred formatting style:**
  - Window menu -> Preferences -> Java -> Code Style -> Formatter
  - Use Ctrl-Shift-F in your editor to reformat according to the currently installed style guide
- **Tell git diff to ignore whitespace**
  - Enjoy your life

Primitive Data Types

- ***Primitive*** **data types are simple boolean, character or numeric values**

- ***All of these are value types***
  - Simple and fast to manipulate
  - Used for most mathematical calculations

Type	Size (bits)	Value	Range
`boolean`	N/A	logical value	`true` or `false`
`char`	16	Unicode character	\u0000 to \uFFFF
`byte`	8	signed integer	-128 to 127
`short`	16	signed integer	-32,768 to 32,767
`int`	32	signed integer	-2,147,483,648 to 2,147,483,647
`long`	64	signed integer	-(2^63) to +(2^63) - 1
`float`	32	floating point IEEE 754 Standard	+/- 1.4e-45 to 3.4e38 (6-7 significant decimal digits)
`double`	64	floating point IEEE 754 Standard	+/- 4.9e-324 to 1.8e308 (15 significant decimal digits)

- **C# programmers note:**
  - All integral types are signed when performing arithmetic operations
  - Size (in bits) is guaranteed the same in all JVMs
  - Primitive type names are all lowercase
  - There is no `sizeof` operator
  - There is no `decimal` type
    - (we use java.math.BigDecimal instead - more later)
  - Not nullable
    - (we use wrapper classes and autoboxing where needed - more later)

Reference Types

- **All non-primitive types are reference types**
  - All class types

```
Object o = null;
Circle c = new Circle();
Double d = new Double(29.5);
```

  - All arrays

```
int[] lottoNumbers = {1,2,3,4,5,6};

String[] roygbiv = { "Red", "Orange", "Yellow", "Green", "Blue",
                     "Indigo", "Violet" };

double famousNumbers[] = new double[3];
famousNumbers[0] = 3.14;
famousNumbers[1] = 2.73;
famousNumbers[2] = 6.02e23;
```

- **C# programmers note:**
  - Reference types are nullable

Primitive Wrapper Classes

- **A wrapper class is provided for each of the primitive types**
  - `static` constants define range and special values
  - Methods help to manipulate the type
    - Convert to/from `String` representations
    - Convert between numeric bases (binary, octal, hexadecimal, etc.)
    - Check sign, leading and trailing zeros, shift/reverse bits, etc.

- **`Byte`, `Short`, `Integer`, `Long`**
  - Constants `MIN_VALUE`, `MAX_VALUE`, `SIZE`

- **`Float`, `Double`**
  - Constants `MIN_VALUE`, `MAX_VALUE`, `SIZE`, `MAX_EXPONENT`, `MIN_EXPONENT`, `MIN_NORMAL`, `NEGATIVE_INFINITY`, `POSITIVE_INFINITY`, `NaN`

Example

```
int x = Integer.parseInt("23"); // convert String to int

float z = 0.F;
if ( x/z == Float.POSITIVE_INFINITY )
       System.out.println("you divided by zero");
```

- **`Character`**
  - provides useful methods to test the value of a `char`

- **`Boolean`**
  - Constants TRUE, FALSE, NULL

- **C# programmers note:**
  - The wrapper types are reference types, and are all nullable

Variable declarations

- **All variables require explicit type declarations before Java SE 10**

```
int x;
PrintStream errorStream;
Circle shape;
```

- **Variables may be initialized at the point of declaration**

```
int x = 23;
PrintStream errorStream = System.err;
Circle shape = new Circle();
```

- **As of Java SE 10 you can use implicit typing *for local variables only***
  - The variable must be initialized so the compiler can infer the type

```
var x = 23;
var errorStream = System.err;
var shape = new Circle();
```

  - Though declared with var, every variable has a specific type; if you initialize with a literal value, use the numeric literal suffixes to make sure an integer type is unambiguous

```
var num1 = 12;            // int (the default)
var num2 = 3000123000L;   // long
var flt1 = 98.6;          // double (the default)
var flt2 = 75D;           // double
var flt3 = 2.5F;          // float
```

- **C# programmers note:**
  - Suffix is not case sensitive
  - There is no suffix M (decimal type) or U (unsigned)
  - There is no `dynamic` type

Constants

- **Variables can be made constant with the `final` keyword**
  - A `final` variable may be assigned to only once
  - Cannot be changed once initialized

Example

```
final int MAX_LENGTH = 40;
final double H;
...
H = 6.62517e-27;    // OK to initialize once
MAX_LENGTH = 80;    // Does not compile
```

- **C# programmers note:**
  - the const keyword is reserved but not used in Java.

Default Initialization

- **`static` member variables (class variables)**
  - Initialized to `0` (zero), `null` or `false`
  - May be initialized dynamically in `static` initialization block
- **non-`static` member variables (instance variables or fields)**
  - Initialized to `0` (zero), `null` or `false`
  - May be initialized dynamically in constructor or non-`static` initialization block
- **Automatic (or "local") variables**
  - *Must* be initialized explicitly before use or won't compile

Strings

- **A character string is represented by an object of type `java.lang.String`**

```
String s1;     // declare reference variable
```

  - *This is a reference type, but its value is immutable*

- **String literal is a character string in double quotes**

```
s1 = "Hello\tWorld";  // initialize with literal
```

  - Escape sequences can be used in string literals

- **You can create a string object explicitly with the `new` operator**

```
String s2 = new String("World");
```

- **Compare strings with the `equals()` method, NOT with ==**

```
if ( s1.equals(s2) ) {
   System.out.println("s1 and s2 are the same");
}
```

- **Concatenate strings with the "+" operator**

```
String s3 = s1 + " " + s2;
System.out.println( s3 );
```

- **C# Programmers note:**
  - Java does not have interpolated strings, e.g., $"Your name is {name}";
  - Fun fact: the plus sign is the only overloaded operator in Java

Type Conversion

- **Values may be assigned between variables of *compatible* types**
- **Implicit conversion is allowed if the destination type has a greater range than the source type**
  - Called "widening"
- **Order of widening**

```
byte  ->  short  ->  int  ->  long  ->  float  ->  double
            ^
            |
          char
```

Example

```
int i;
float f;
short s = 5;

i = s;  // OK; int is wider than short
f = s;  // OK; float is wider than short
f = i;  // OK; float is (nominally) wider than int
```

- **An `int` *literal* can be assigned to a `byte` or `short` if the value falls within the range of the data type**

Casting (primitive types)

- **Casting is required to assign a value to a less-precise type**
  - Called "narrowing"

```
s = (short) i;
i = (int) f;
```

  - This may truncate the value if it does not fit!

- **Not allowed between incompatible types**

```
boolean b = true;
i = (int) b;       // does not compile
```

- **`char`, `byte`, and `short` are automatically widened to `int` when used in arithmetic operations**
  - Must cast to assign result back to a type narrower than `int`

```
byte a = 5, b = 6;
a = (byte) (a * b);  // correct
a = a * b;           // does not compile
```

- **Casting a floating-point type to an integer truncates towards zero**

Example

```
int i = (int) 4.98;  // i is 4
```

Autoboxing

- **Sometimes it is useful to treat a primitive value as an object**
  - e.g. when putting it in a `Collection` or an array of `Object`
- **Instances of the wrapper classes can be created with new**
  - A wrapper instance holds an immutable value

Example

```
int x = 21;
Integer xWrap = new Integer(x);      // Forever 21
float f = xWrap.floatValue();
String s = xWrap.toString();
x = xWrap.intValue();
```

- **As of Java SE 5, *autoboxing* automatically wraps primitives when the compiler sees that an object is required**

Example

```
Integer wrapInt = 8;     // Primitive literals
Double wrapDbl = 4.5;
```

- **Unboxing is also automatic**

Example

```
int i = wrapInt + 4; // unboxes before addition
wrapInt++;           // unboxes, increments, reboxes
```

  - The code above does not *change* the value of the `Integer`, but creates a new `Integer` object; the old one may be garbage collected

Simple Console I/O

- **Use `System.out.println()` to output simple messages**
  - Argument can be a variable, a string in double quotes, or any number of these concatenated with the `"+"` sign.

Example

```
double degrees = 75.0;
System.out.println("It is a beautiful, sunny day!");
System.out.println("The temperature is now " + degrees );
```

- **Use `System.out.printf()` to output formatted text**

Example

- **Use the `java.util.Scanner` class to read input**

```
import java.util.Scanner;
...
Scanner in = new Scanner(System.in);

String input;

System.out.println("Welcome! What's your name?");
input = in.nextLine();
System.out.printf("hello %s!\n", input);

System.out.println("Tell me, what's your favorite number?\n");
input = in.nextLine();
int x = Integer.parseInt(input);
System.out.printf("I agree; %d is a great number!\n", x);

in.close();
```

- **Java SE 6 provides a `Console` class to facilitate console I/O**
  - Unfortunately, it cannot be used inside of IDEs

Simple String <-> Number Conversion

- **To convert strings to numbers:**
  - "Wrapper" classes have `static parseXxx()` methods

Example

```
int i = Integer.parseInt("1024");
double d = Double.parseDouble("110.50");
```

- **To convert numbers to strings:**
  - `String` class has `static valueOf()` methods

Example

```
String s1 = String.valueOf(1024);
String s2 = String.valueOf(100.50);  // yields "100.5"
```

  - An alternate way to convert: concatenate with `""`

Example

```
String s3 = "" + 1024;
```

Section 3-2

Conditionals & loops

Control Statements

- **Control statements are similar to those in C#**
  - `if/else`
  - `switch/case`
  - `for` (for counted loops)
  - `while` (pre-test loops)
  - `do/while` (post-test loop)

`if` Statement

- **The `if` statement allows conditional execution**
  - Statement is executed if the `boolean` test expression evaluates to `true`
  - The optional `else` provides an alternative flow of execution if the test expression is `false`
  - Chained (else if) and nested ifs are fine as long as they are not too complicated for me to read. P.S. I am not that smart.

Example

```
if ( speed < 65.0 ) {
    System.out.println("Speed up!");
} else {
    System.out.println("Slow down!");
}
```

Example

```
if (args.length != 2) {
    System.out.println("requires 2 arguments");
    System.exit(-1);
}
```

- **C# programmers note:**
  - As in C#, only a boolean value can be used as a test expression

Boolean Expressions

- A boolean expression evaluates to `true` or `false`

Example

```
if ( yourGuess == pumpkinWeight ) {
  System.out.println("You guessed right!");
}

while ( pageNum < pageMax ) {
   pageNum = printNextPage();
}
```

- **Boolean expressions usually incorporate one or more *relational operators***
  - Relational operators compare values and return a `boolean` value

```
==   Equality
!=   Not equal
<    Less than
<=   Less than or equal to
>    Greater than
>=   Greater than or equal to
```

- **C# Programmers note:**
  - In C# these are called the Equality and Comparison operators
  - *With reference types, the equality operator **always** compares identity; to compare two objects by value, use their equals() method. This is true for String objects as well.*

Logical Operators

- **Logical operators are used to combine boolean expressions**

Example

```
if ((speed == 0) && (altitude <= groundLevel)){
  System.out.println("We've landed");
}
```

- **Logical operators take `boolean` operands and yield a `boolean` result**

`&`	AND – always evaluates both operands
`|`	OR – always evaluates both operands
`^`	XOR – always evaluates both operands
`&&`	Conditional AND
`||`	Conditional OR
`!`	Not

- **Conditional "`&&`" and "`||`" may short-circuit**
  - Expressions are only evaluated until the truth or falsehood of the entire logical expression can be determined

Example

```
// If d is zero, second expression is not evaluated
if (d != 0  &&  n / d > 10) { ... }

// if n is 200, count does not get incremented
if (n > 100 || count++ < 3) { ... }
```

Conditional Operator

- **The *conditional operator* takes three operands (a *ternary* operator)**

```
boolean-expression ? expression1 : expression2
```

  - If `boolean-expression` is `true`, return value of `expression1`, else return value of `expression2`

- **Returns a value that can be used in a surrounding expression**

Example

```
int min = (a < b) ? a : b;  // if a < b then a, else b
```

- **Does not evaluate the expression that is not selected**

Loops

- **`while` executes a statement repeatedly as long as the test expression evaluates to `true`**
  - The test expression is evaluated *before* executing the loop the first time
  - Body of loop is executed *zero* or more times

Example

```
int a = 100;
while (a > 0) {
  System.out.println("Counting: " + a);
  a = a - 1;
}
```

- **`do while` evaluates the test expression *after* executing the loop the first time**
  - Body of loop is executed *one* or more times

Example

```
char c;
do {
  // Read and process a character
  c = (char) System.in.read();  // read char
  System.out.println(c);        // print char
} while (c != 'X');             // exit loop if 'X'
```

The for Loop

- **The `for` loop executes a statement repeatedly as long as a test expression evaluates to `true`**

- **The `for` clause holds three expressions, separated by semicolons**
  - *initializer* is executed once, and usually initializes loop variables
  - Body of loop is executed if *continuation_test* is true
  - *modifier* is executed after each iteration, and usually modifies loop variables
  - Any expression in the `for` clause can be omitted
    - If *continuation_test* is omitted, it is always `true` (one way to create an infinite loop)

Example

```
for (int i = 0; i < args.length; i++) {
    System.out.println(args[i]);
}

for (;;) {
    System.out.println("work never ends...");
}
```

Enhanced `for` Loop

- **The enhanced `for` loop, sometimes called the for-each loop, was introduced in Java SE 5**

```
for ( local_variable : array_reference ) {
  // loop statements
}
```

- **It is used to traverse arrays and `Collection` classes without an explicit counter**
  - For each iteration, the next element in order is assigned to *`local_variable`*
  - Statements in loop block are executed with access to the element through *`local_variable`*

- **Loop stops automatically after iterating through all elements**

Example

```
package mod05.examples;
public class EchoArguments {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    for ( String s: args ) System.out.println(s);
  }
}

Output

prompt> java mod05.examples.EchoArguments one two three
one
two
three
```

Enhanced `for` Loop

- **The enhanced `for` loop (sometimes called the for-each loop) traverses arrays and `Collection` classes without an explicit counter**

- **Loop stops automatically after iterating through all elements**

Example

```
String[] roygbiv = { "Red", "Orange", "Yellow", "Green", "Blue",
                     "Indigo", "Violet" };

for (String s: roygbiv) System.out.println(s);
```

- **C# programmers note:**
  - This is the same as the C# foreach statement

`break` and `continue`

- **`break` exits the containing loop**

Example

```
package mod03.examples;

public class BreakExample {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    // Find the first number evenly divisible by 13
    for (int i = 1; i <= 50; i++) {
      if (i % 13 == 0) {
        System.out.println("i = " + i);
        break;    // Exit the loop completely
      }
    }
    System.out.println("was first divisible by " + 13);
  }
}
```

- **`continue` jumps to the modifier part of a loop**

Example

```
package mod03.examples;

public class ContinueExample {
  public static void main(String[] args) {
    // Find all numbers evenly divisible by 13
    for (int i = 1; i <= 50; i++) {
      if (i % 13 != 0) continue;   // Skip rest of loop
      System.out.println("i = " + i);
    }
    System.out.println("were all divisible by " + 13);
  }
}
```

Labels

- **Code blocks *in loops* can be labeled**
  - Allow programs to `break` or `continue` to the outer portion of a nested loop
  - This *cannot* be used as a general `goto`
- **Label name follows the `break` or `continue` keyword**
  - Without labels, `break` and `continue` work on the immediately containing loop

Example

```
outer: for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++) {
         for (int j = 0; j < 5; j++) {
           if (i == j) {
              System.out.print(i + " ");
              continue outer;  // Continue outer loop
           }
         }
       }
```

Output

```
0 1 2 3 4
```

- **Makes logic harder to read, so should be used sparingly**

`switch` Statement

- **Compares value of an expression to a series of constants**
  - *expression* must evaluate to a `byte`, `short`, `int`, `char` or `enum`. Java SE 7 also allows `String` expressions
  - Code after the matching `case` is executed until a `break` is encountered. Multiple cases may execute the same code
  - Cases need not be in numerical order

Example

```
for (int a = 0; a < 4; a++) {
    switch (a) {
      case 1:
      case 2:
        System.out.println("a is one or two.");
        break;
      case 0:
        System.out.println("a is zero.");
        break;
      default:
        System.out.println("a is greater than 2.");
    }
}
```