

INPUT STATEMENTS

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1. GIVING VALUES TO VARIABLES

Initialization

```
int x = 10;  
float y = 12.5f;  
double z = 12.5;  
boolean fail = false;  
char ch = 'x';
```

Calculation

```
counter++;  
product *= x;  
a = b % c;  
netSalary = salary - tax;  
fail = (grade < 60);
```

Read from
keyboard

Standard Input

- ▶ To input primitive data values, we use the Scanner class.
- ▶ 4 steps are needed to be able to use input primitive:
 - **Step 1:** import the Scanner class:
 - `import java.util.Scanner;`
 - **Step 2 :** declaring a reference variable of a Scanner
 - `Scanner read ; //we named the object read`
 - **Note : use any name that follow the identifiers rules**
 - **Step 3:** creating an instance of the Scanner
 - `read = new Scanner (System.in);`
 - **Note : step 2 and 3 can be combined**
 - **Step 4:** use specific methods to enter data
 - `int x = read.nextInt();`

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```
1 // import necessary libraries
2 import java.util.*;           // 1:import the Scanner class
3 public class UserInput1
4 {
5     //2: declaring a reference variable of a Scanner
6     //3: creating an instance of the Scanner
7     static Scanner console = new Scanner(System.in);
8     public static void main (String[] args)
9     {
10         // Declaration section: to declare needed variables
11         int feet;
12         int inches;
13         // Input section: to enter values of used variables
14         System.out.println ("Enter two integers separated by spaces");
15         feet = console.nextInt(); //4: use specific methods to enter data
16         inches = console.nextInt(); //will read data from keyboard
17         // Processing section: processing statements
18         // Output section: display program output
19         System.out.println ("feet = " + feet);
20         System.out.println ("inches = " + inches);
21     } // end main
22 } // end class
```

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PROGRAM 1 – ACCEPTING INTEGERS

```
2 import java.util.*;           //contains the class Scanner
```

- `java.util.*` is the name of the package (or library) that contains the class `Scanner` (used in line 5).
- A **package** is a collection of related classes stored in a file.
- The package should be “**imported**” in order to use the pre-defined class `Scanner`.

```
5 // instantiate the object console from the class Scanner  
6 static Scanner console = new Scanner (System.in);
```

- `Scanner` is a Java class defined in the previously imported package `java.util.*`.
- A **class** is a non-primitive data type (`int`, `double`, etc... are primitive).
- `console` is the **object** associated with (of type) `Scanner`.
- We say that the object `console` is an instantiation of the class `Scanner`.
- After this statement, any variable entered through the input device (`System.in`) uses the object `console`.

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PROGRAM 1 – ACCEPTING INTEGERS

13 `System.out.println (“Enter two integers separated by spaces”);`

- “Enter two integers separated by spaces” is displayed to the user.
- The previous string instructs the user with the program requirement.
- This is known as a **prompt**.

14 `feet = console.nextInt();`

- This statement causes the computer to get the input (the value entered by the user) from the keyboard; and stores it in the variable **feet**.
- `console.nextInt()` is a method associated with the **Scanner** class. It accepts **int** values.
- If the next input cannot be interpreted as an integer, then the program **terminates with a run-time error** message indicating an input mismatch.
- Examples of invalid integers include **24w5** or **12.50**.

15 `inches = console.nextInt();`

- Same as the statement in line 14. However, the variable used is **inches** instead of **feet**.

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PROGRAM 1 – ACCEPTING INTEGERS

- The output of Program 1 is shown below.
- The numbers in yellow are entered by the user while running the program.

code

```
import java.util.*;
public class UserInput1
{
    static Scanner console = new Scanner (System.in);
    public static void main (String[] args)
    {
        int feet;
        int inches;
        System.out.println ("Enter two integers separated by spaces");
        feet = console.nextInt();
        inches = console.nextInt();
        System.out.println ("feet = " + feet);
        System.out.println ("inches = " + inches);
    } // end main
} // end class
```

Memory

feet

23

inches

7

output

Common Scanner Methods

TYPE	METHOD NAME
Scanner <code>input</code> = new Scanner (System.in);	
byte b;	b = <code>input</code> .nextByte();
short sh;	sh = <code>input</code> .nextShort();
long lg;	lg = <code>input</code> .nextLong();
float flt;	flt = <code>input</code> .nextFloat();
char ch;	ch = <code>input</code> .next().charAt(0);

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PROGRAM 2 – ACCEPTING DOUBLE NUMBERS

```
1 // import necessary libraries
2 import java.util.*; //contains the class Scanner
3 public class UserInput2
4 {
5     // instantiate the object input from the class Scanner
6     static Scanner input = new Scanner (System.in);
7     public static void main (String[] args)
8     {
9         // Declaration section: to declare needed variables
10        double weight;
11        // Input section: to enter values of used variables
12        System.out.println ("Enter weight>");
13        weight = input.nextDouble();
14        // Processing section: processing statements
15        // Output section: display program output
16        System.out.println ("Weight = " + weight);
17    } // end main
18 } // end class
```

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PROGRAM 2 – ACCEPTING DOUBLE NUMBERS

13 `weight = input.nextDouble();`

- `nextDouble()` is a method associated with the class `Scanner`. It accepts values that can be interpreted as a `double` type.
- Integers may be interpreted as a `double` type.
- A `.0` is added to the integer.
- If the next input cannot be interpreted as a `double`, then the program **terminates with a run-time error message** indicating an input mismatch.
- Examples of invalid `double` include `24w5` or `2e10`.

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PROGRAM 2 – ACCEPTING DOUBLE NUMBERS

- The output of Program 2 is as follows:

```
1 Enter weight >  
2 113.6  
3 Weight = 113.6
```

- Line 1 prompts the user with the program requirement.
- Line 2 of the above figure represents the user input.
- This is another sample run of Program 2:

```
1 Enter weight >  
2 113  
3 Weight = 113.0
```

- Note that the user entered an integer number (without decimal point).
- However, `nextDouble()` interpreted it as a `double` number.
- Therefore, a `.0` is added to the number.

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PROGRAM 3 – ACCEPTING STRINGS

```
1 // import necessary libraries
2 import java.util.*; //contains the class Scanner
3 public class UserInput3
4 {
5     // instantiate the object read from the class Scanner
6     static Scanner read = new Scanner (System.in);
7     public static void main (String[] args)
8     {
9         // Declaration section: to declare needed variables
10        String firstName, lastName;
11        // Input section: to enter values of used variables
12        System.out.println ("Enter first & last names separated by spaces");
13        firstName = read.next();
14        lastName = read.next();
15        // Processing section: processing statements
16        // Output section: display program output
17        System.out.println ("Name = " + firstName + " " + lastName);
18    } // end main
19 } // end class
```

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PROGRAM 3 – ACCEPTING STRINGS

```
13 firstName = read.next();  
14 lastName = read.next();
```

- `next()` is a method associated with the `Scanner` class. It accepts values that can be interpreted as a `String` type.
- Numbers are accepted but interpreted as `String` type.

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PROGRAM 3 – ACCEPTING STRINGS

- The output of Program 3 is as follows:

```
1 Enter first & last names separated by spaces  
2 Mariam    A/Azim  
3 Name = Mariam A/Azim
```

- Line 1 prompts the user with the program requirement.
- Line 2 of the above figure represents the user input.
- The value of the `String` ends whenever `read.next()` encounters a space.
- Note that the first and last names are separated by 5 spaces in the user input.
- However, they are separated by a single space in the output. This is because `read.next()` ignores spaces entered by the user. However, line 3 of the output obeys the format of the output statement in line 17 of the program.

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PROGRAM 4 – ACCEPTING LINES

```
1 // import necessary libraries
2 import java.util.*; //contains the class Scanner
3 public class UserInput4
4 {
5     // instantiate the object line from the class Scanner
6     static Scanner line = new Scanner (System.in);
7     public static void main (String[] args)
8     {
9         // Declaration section: to declare needed variables
10        String message;
11        // Input section: to enter values of used variables
12        System.out.println ("Enter a message");
13        message = line.nextLine();
14        // Processing section: processing statements
15        // Output section: display program output
16        System.out.println ("Message = " + message);
17    } // end main
18 } // end class
```


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PROGRAM 4 – ACCEPTING LINES

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```
message = line.nextLine();
```

- `nextLine()` is a method associated with the `Scanner` class. It receives the next input as a `String` until the end of the line.
- `nextLine()` reads the newline character (Enter), but does not store it as part of the string.
- `nextLine()` is used when the input data includes spaces. In contrast, `next()` ignores space characters.

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PROGRAM 4 – ACCEPTING LINES

- The output of Program 4 is as follows:

```
1 Enter a message  
2 Please follow the instructions written below  
3 Message = Please follow the instructions written below
```

- Line 1 prompts the user with the program requirement.
- Line 2 of the above figure represents the user input.
- `line.nextLine()` stores all line 2 shown in the above figure in the variable `message`.
- Remember that `message` is of type `String`.

Self-Check Exercises (1)

- ▶ Write a program that gets an integer value and prints its double.
- ▶ Write a program that gets a string and prints it concatenated with itself.
- ▶ Write a program that gets a character value and prints it concatenated with itself.