

Console I/O



- Console I/O is input from the standard input device and or output to the standard output device.
- The keyboard is the standard input device.
- The screen/monitor is the standard output device.
- Java gives us the Scanner class to to read from the keyboard (and text files).
- Java gives us `System.out.print()`, `System.out.println()` and `System.out.format()` to write text to the standard output device.

Console output using `System.out.print()` and `println()`

- `System.out.println("Hello World");` // prints Hello World and a newline
- `System.out.print("Hello World");` // prints Hello World without a newline
- `int x=10, int y=5;`
- `System.out.println("x+y=" + x + y);` // prints `x+y=105` DO YOU SEE WHY?
- `("x+y=10" + y);` // `"x+y=" + 10` evals to `"x+y=10"`
- `("x+y=105");` // `"x+y=10" + 5` evals to `"x+y=105"`

The expression in the ()s must evaluate to a single value. That value will be printed as a string to the output. If there are numbers and Strings mixed around the + operator, the + operator will convert the number to a String and concatenate. The operators are evaluated * and / first (left to right) then + and - (left to right).

```
System.out.println( "x+y=" + (x + y) ); // prints x+y=15
```

The ()s around the second `x+y` force it to evaluate before the first +. Nested ()s evaluate inside out.

`System.out.format()`

- When printing numbers to the screen you can control the format width and number of decimal places of precision using the format method.
- `double pi = 3.14159265358979323846264338; // to 26 places`
`// BUT only up to 15 places max can be stored`

```
System.out.println( "pi=" + pi );
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// prints 3.141592653589793 only 15 digits after . pt
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// use format() to force max width of 6 places counting dot  
/ with 4 coming after the dot. The 59 rounds to 6
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```
System.out.format( "pi=%6.4f", pi ); // prints 3.1416
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Input from keyboard using Scanner

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// System.in is official name of the keyboard device
Scanner kbd = new Scanner( System.in );
System.out.print("Enter your name: "); // notice I don't write a newline
String name = kbd.next(); // stop. wait until user types stuff and hits return
System.out.println("You entered " + name );
// BEWARE! DO NOT ENTER MORE THAN ONE TOKEN (i.e. no spaces)

System.out.print("Enter single integer: ");
int number = kbd.nextInt(); // Attempt to convert to int then assign into number
System.out.println("Number you entered was " + number );

System.out.print("Enter a double: ");
double real = kbd.nextDouble(); // Attempt to convert to double then assign into real
System.out.println("Number you entered was " + real );

System.out.print("Enter a boolean: ");
boolean bool = kbd.nextBoolean(); // must enter literal true or literal false
System.out.println("bool you entered was " + bool );
```
