



CMSC 131

Fall 2018

Strings

- What's a String?

Example:

```
String name = "Fred";    // note the double quotes
```

IMPORTANT: Strings are not primitives - they are objects! (More about that later.)

- What is “concatenation”?

Example:

```
String firstName = "Bob";  
String lastName = "Smith";  
String fullName = firstName + lastName;    // no space?
```

Examples: Strings1.java

Things to observe:

- Use double quotes around String literals
- Concatenation with +
- x.length() yields the length of the String x
- Java will sometimes implicitly convert things to Strings (e.g. when using the + operator)

Example: `TypeProblems.java`

You can't usually mix types in Java!

Points to raise:

- Conversions between numerical types
- Distinction between `char` and `String`
- In Eclipse: Errors are in red, warning are in yellow

Examples: Scanner1.java, Scanner2.java

The Scanner can be used to obtain input from the user.

- At the top of the file: `import java.util.Scanner;`
- Declare a Scanner variable:

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

- To use the scanner:

```
int x = myScanner.nextInt();
```

```
double y = myScanner.nextDouble();
```

```
long z = myScanner.nextLong();
```

```
String a = myScanner.nextLine();
```

```
String b = myScanner.next();
```

- When finished: `myScanner.close();`

Example: ScannerPitfall.java

Unexpected result from the following sequence:

```
int size = myScanner.nextInt();
```

```
String name = myScanner.nextLine();
```

Arithmetic Operators

+	add
-	subtract
/	divide
*	multiply
%	modulus

- Order of precedence?

Evaluate:

8 / 4 * 2