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#### Chapter 3

# Types, variables and expressions



- Introduce some more Java concepts:
  - There are different kinds of values types.
  - Values can be stored variables.
  - How? assignment statements.
  - We meet arithmetic expressions and arithmetic operators.
    - \* With operator precedence and operator associativity.



#### Section 2

# Example: Age next year



AIM: To introduce the concepts of type, int, variable, expression and assignment statement. We also find out how to convert a number to a string, and discover what it means for data to be hard coded.



- Input data might be
  - command line arguments
  - obtained via user interface maybe a GUI
  - from files.
- Sometimes input data built into the program hard coded.
  - e.g. haven't written code that obtains the data yet
  - e.g. such data only rarely/never changes.



001: public class AgeNextYear
002: {
003: <b>public static void</b> main(String[] args)
004: {



- Different kinds of **data** 
  - numbers
  - text data
  - images
  - etc..
- The kind of a data item is its **type**.



- The type int is integers
  - e.g. 0
  - -129934
  - 982375
  - etc..



- A variable entity that can hold data.
- Has name, value and **type**.
- Similar to variables in algebra not quite the same thing.
- Name:
  - carefully chosen by programmer
  - reflects meaning of thing it represents in relation to problem
  - does not change during program run.
- Value:
  - can be set and changed at **run time** variable.
  - Java compiler maps variable names to computer memory locations.
- Type:
  - what kind of data is allowed.



- All variables declared in a variable declaration before use.
- Programmer states **type** and name, e.g.:

int noOfPeopleLivingInMyStreet;

noOfPeopleLivingInMyStreet is an int variable.

- Note semi-colon.
- At run time noOfPeopleLivingInMyStreet can hold an integer
  - can be changed, but always an int.
- Name reflects intended meaning
  - programmer writes code to ensure value reflects meaning.
- Convention:
  - variable names start with a lower case letter
  - first letter of subsequent words capitalized.



005:	<pre>int myAgeNow;</pre>		
006.	int mulaeNextVear:		
000.	IIIC IIIYAGENEXCIEAL /		



- An assignment statement is a statement.
- Gives value to a **variable** 
  - or change existing value.
- New value and variable must have matching types.

### Statement: assignment statement: assigning a literal value

An assignment statement can assign a literal value (constant) to a variable, e.g:

noOfPeopleLivingInMyStreet = 47;

- Note use of single **equal sign**.
- 47 is an **int** 
  - so okay if noOfPeopleLivingInMyStreet is an int variable.



007:	myAgeNow = 18;			



- Can have **arithmetic expression**s as in maths:
  - literal values
    - \* e.g. integer literals 1, 18
  - variables
    - \* must be already declared
  - operators, e.g. arithmetic operators
    - \* binary infix operators: +, -, \*, /
    - \* unary prefix operators: +, -
- When evaluated each variable replaced with current value.
  - E.g. if noOfPeopleLivingInMyStreet Contains 47
     then noOfPeopleLivingInMyStreet + 4 evaluates to 51.



- More generally: assignment statement can have expression.
- E.g., assume

int noOfPeopleToInviteToTheStreetParty;

then

noOfPeopleToInviteToTheStreetParty = noOfPeopleLivingInMyStreet + 4;

when **execute**d

- evaluates noOfPeopleLivingInMyStreet + 4
- puts result in noOfPeopleToInviteToTheStreetParty.



008:	myAgeNextYear = myAgeNow + 1;		



- The operator + used for both addition and concatenation
  - an overloaded operator.
- If at least one **operand** is a **text data string** then concatenation, else addition.
- If only one is a string, other is converted to string before concatenation.
- Note difference between an integer and string of decimal digits.
  - E.g. integer literal 123 is an int
  - "123" is a text data string 3 separate **character**s.



• E.g. assume no0fPeopleToInviteToTheStreetParty has value 51

System.out.println("Please invite " + noOfPeopleToInviteToTheStreetParty);
produces:

- Please invite 51
- 51 converted to "51"
- "Please invite " concatenated with "51"
- result passed to System.out.println().
- For convenience a separate version of System.out.println() takes a single int, e.g.

System.out.println(noOfPeopleToInviteToTheStreetParty);

• Same effect as:

System.out.println("" + noOfPeopleToInviteToTheStreetParty);



009:	System.out.println("My age now is " + myAgeNow);
010:	<pre>System.out.println("My age next year will be " + myAgeNextYear);</pre>
011: }	
012: }	



```
001: public class AgeNextYear
002: {
003:
      public static void main(String[] args)
004:
       {
005:
         int myAgeNow;
006:
         int myAqeNextYear;
007:
         myAgeNow = 18;
008:
         myAgeNextYear = myAgeNow + 1;
009:
         System.out.println("My age now is " + myAgeNow);
010:
         System.out.println("My age next year will be " + myAgeNextYear);
011:
012: }
```



Console Input / Output	
<pre>\$ javac AgeNextYear.java</pre>	
\$ java AgeNextYear	
My age now is 18	
My age next year will be 19	 · ]
\$	Run

#### (Summary only)

Write a program to determine how many years you have before you retire!



#### Section 3

### Example: Age next year – a common misconception



AIM: To clarify the relationship between variables and assignment statements.



- Common misconception: **assignment statement**s are equations.
  - Not helped by use of single equal sign!
- If they are, then order doesn't matter!

```
001: public class AgeNextYear
 002: {
003:
       public static void main(String[] args)
004:
005:
          int myAgeNow;
006:
          int myAgeNextYear;
007:
         myAgeNextYear = myAgeNow + 1;
008:
         myAgeNow = 18;
009:
          System.out.println("My age now is " + myAgeNow);
010:
          System.out.println("My age next year will be " + myAgeNextYear);
011:
 012: }
```



### **Trying it**



• Compiler checks variable has been given value before use.



#### • Can change the value of a variable.

001:	public class AgeNextYear				
002:	{				
003:	<pre>public static void main(String[] args)</pre>				
004:	{				
005:	<pre>int myAgeNow;</pre>	Coffee What would be			
006:	<pre>int myAgeNextYear;</pre>	time: the regult?			
007:	myAgeNow = 18;				
008:	myAgeNextYear = myAgeNow + 1;				
009:	myAgeNow = 60;				
010:	<pre>System.out.println("My age now is " + myAgeNow);</pre>				
011:	System.out.println("My age next year will be " + myAgeNextYear);				
012:	}				
013:	}				



#### Section 4

# Example: Age next year with a command line argument


AIM: To introduce the idea of converting a **command line argument** into an **int** and using the value in a program.



- Often want to turn a text data string representation of an integer into that number.
  - E.g. turn "123" into 123.
- A simple way:

```
Integer.parseInt("123");
```

- Integer is a class in the API: has method called parseInt.
- E.g.

```
int firstArgument;
```

```
firstArgument = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
```

- takes first command line argument
- computes number it represents (if it does run time error otherwise)
- stores that in firstArgument.

### Age next year with a command line argument

001: public class AgeNextYear

002: {

003: **public static void** main(String[] args)

004:

005: **int** ageNow;

{

006: **int** ageNextYear;

007:

```
008: ageNow = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
```

```
009: ageNextYear = ageNow + 1;
```

010:

011: System.out.println("Your age now is " + ageNow);

012: System.out.println("Your age next year will be " + ageNextYear);

013: }

014: }



### Trying it

Console Input / Output	
<pre>\$ javac AgeNextYear.java</pre>	
\$ java AgeNextYear 60	
Your age now is 60	
Your age next year will be 61	
\$ java AgeNextYear 18	
Your age now is 18	
Your age next year will be 19	
\$ java AgeNextYear John	
Exception in thread "main" java.lang.NumberFormatException: For input string: "J	
ohn"	
at java.lang.NumberFormatException.forInputString(NumberFormatException.	
java:48)	
at java.lang.Integer.parseInt(Integer.java:449)	
at java.lang.Integer.parseInt(Integer.java:499)	
at AgeNextYear.main(AgeNextYear.java:8)	
\$	



#### YearsBeforeRetirement

#### (Summary only)

Write a program to determine how many years the user has before he or she retires.



#### Section 5

## Example: Finding the volume of a fish tank



AIM: To reinforce the use of **command line arguments** and **expressions**, and introduce the idea of splitting up lines of code which are too long, whilst maintaining their readability. We also see that a **variable** can be given a value when it is declared.

## Variable: a value can be assigned when a variable is declared

• We can declare a **variable** and give it a value at the same time.

• E.g.

int noOfHousesInMyStreet = 26;



*Coffee* Could we have already used that idea in this Chapter? *time:* 



```
001: public class FishTankVolume
002: {
003: public static void main(String[] args)
004: {
005: int width = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
006: int depth = Integer.parseInt(args[1]);
007: int height = Integer.parseInt(args[2]);
008: int volume = width * depth * height;
```



- Long **source code** lines are a bad idea:
  - more horizontal eye movement to scan the code
  - use horizontal scroll bar, or have wide/fullscreen window
  - when printed will truncate or at least line wrap
- Keep source code lines shorter than 80 characters.
- Long **statement**s split into separate lines.
  - Carefully chosen places
    - \* Human readers scan down the left hand side of the code.
    - \* If line continues previous, make obvious at start.
    - \* Use indentation.
    - \* Split line before symbol not normally used to start a statement.
- Code read many more times than written....



- Split at carefully chosen places.
- Use of indentation.

009:	System.out.println("The volume of a tank with dimensions "
010:	+ "(" + width + "," + depth + "," + height + ") "
011:	+ "is " + volume);
012:	}

013: }



001: <b>public class</b> FishTankVolume
002: {
003: <b>public static void</b> main(String[] args)
004: {
005: int width = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
<pre>006: int depth = Integer.parseInt(args[1]);</pre>
007: int height = Integer.parseInt(args[2]);
008: int volume = width * depth * height;
009: System.out.println("The volume of a tank with dimensions "
010: + "(" + width + "," + depth + "," + height + ") "
011: + "is " + volume);
012: }
013: }



#### Tests that show **command line argument** order not important.

Console Input / Output	
<pre>\$ java FishTankVolume 10 20 30</pre>	
The volume of a tank with dimensions (10,20,30) is 6000	
\$ java FishTankVolume 10 30 20	
The volume of a tank with dimensions (10,30,20) is 6000	
\$ java FishTankVolume 20 10 30	
The volume of a tank with dimensions (20,10,30) is 6000	
\$ java FishTankVolume 20 30 10	
The volume of a tank with dimensions (20,30,10) is 6000	
\$ java FishTankVolume 30 10 20	
The volume of a tank with dimensions (30,10,20) is 6000	
\$ java FishTankVolume 30 20 10	
The volume of a tank with dimensions (30,20,10) is 6000	
\$_	





Show effect of one dimension being zero.

Console Input / Output	
\$ java FishTankVolume 0 20 30	
The volume of a tank with dimensions (0,20,30) is 0	
\$ java FishTankVolume 10 0 30	
The volume of a tank with dimensions (10,0,30) is 0	
\$ java FishTankVolume 10 20 0	
The volume of a tank with dimensions (10,20,0) is 0	
\$	





Coffee	How about this next test? Is the result correct? Is it mean-
time:	ingful?
<pre>\$ java FishTankVolume The volume of a tank \$ _</pre>	Console Input / Output 10 -20 -30 with dimensions (10,-20,-30) is 6000







<pre>\$ java FishTankVolume 10.75 20.25 30.5</pre>
Exception in thread "main" java.lang.NumberFormatException: For input string: "1
0.75"
at java.lang.NumberFormatException.forInputString(NumberFormatException.
java:48)
at java.lang.Integer.parseInt(Integer.java:458)
at java.lang.Integer.parseInt(Integer.java:499)
at FishTankVolume.main(FishTankVolume.java:5)
<pre>\$ java FishTankVolume 10.0 20.0 30.0</pre>
Exception in thread "main" java.lang.NumberFormatException: For input string: "1
0.0"
at java.lang.NumberFormatException.forInputString(NumberFormatException.
java:48)
at java.lang.Integer.parseInt(Integer.java:458)
at java.lang.Integer.parseInt(Integer.java:499)
at FishTankVolume.main(FishTankVolume.java:5)
\$

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Run



#### (Summary only)

Write a program to determine how much fence is needed to surround a rectangular field.



#### Section 6

# Example: Sum the first N numbers – incorrectly



AIM: To introduce the principle of **operator precedence**, and have a program containing a **bug**.



001. <b>public class</b> Sumfirstn
002.
004: {
<pre>005: int n = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);</pre>



- Formula:
  - find average of numbers 1 to n
  - multiply by n
  - i.e.:  $\frac{1+n}{2}n$



- Java **expression**s can have round brackets.
  - Define structure.
- E.g.
- (2 + 4) \* 82 + (4 \* 8)

different structures, different values: 48 and 34.



• Show structure as **expression tree**s.



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- No brackets?
  - 2 + 4 \* 8
- Rules to fill in missing brackets.
- 4 above is being `pulled' by + and \*.
  - Which one wins?
- Varying levels of **operator precedence** 
  - \* and / have higher precedence than + and -
- 2 + 4 \* 8 evaluates to 34.



- If operators evaluated left to right would write: 1 + n / 2 \* n
- But division and multiplication higher precedence than addition.

```
006: int sumOfFirstN = (1 + n) / 2 * n;
007: System.out.println("The sum of the first " + n + " numbers is "
008: + sumOfFirstN);
009: }
010: }
```

CoffeeWhen computing the value of sumOfFirstN, do you thinktime:the division is done before the multiplication, or viceversa? Does it matter?



```
001: public class SumFirstN
002: {
003:
      public static void main(String[] args)
004:
      {
005:
        int n = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
006:
        int sumOfFirstN = (1 + n) / 2 * n;
007:
        System.out.println("The sum of the first " + n + " numbers is "
008:
                            + sumOfFirstN);
009:
      }
010: }
```



### Trying it

Console Input / Output	
\$ java SumFirstN 1	
The sum of the first 1 numbers is 1	
\$ java SumFirstN 2	
The sum of the first 2 numbers is 2	
\$ java SumFirstN 3	
The sum of the first 3 numbers is 6	
\$ java SumFirstN 4	
The sum of the first 4 numbers is 8	
\$ java SumFirstN 5	
The sum of the first 5 numbers is 15	
\$	



### Trying it

Console Input / Output		
\$ java SumFirstN 10		
The sum of the first 10 numbers is 50		
\$ java SumFirstN 11		
The sum of the first 11 numbers is 66		
\$ java SumFirstN 50		
The sum of the first 50 numbers is 1250		
\$ java SumFirstN 51		
The sum of the first 51 numbers is 1326		
\$ java SumFirstN 100		
The sum of the first 100 numbers is 5000		
\$ java SumFirstN 101		
The sum of the first 101 numbers is 5151		
\$		





#### Some of these results are wrong!

Coffee Figure out which ones are right and which are wrong, time: and see if you can spot a pattern, leading you to suggest what the problem might be. We know the formula is right, so you can still use it to work out what the answers should have been. The error lies somewhere in our implementation of the formula – maybe something there doesn't behave as you might expect it to?



#### (Summary only)

Take a program with **bug**s in it, and fix them.



#### Section 7

## Example: Disposable income



AIM: To introduce **operator associativity**. We also take a look at the **string literal escape sequence**s.



```
001: public class DisposableIncome
002: {
003:
      public static void main(String[] args)
004:
       {
005:
        int salary = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
006:
        int mortgage = Integer.parseInt(args[1]);
007:
        int bills = Integer.parseInt(args[2]);
```



Some expressions cannot be disambiguated just by operator precedence.

• E.g.

- The 7 is being fought over by two **operator**s with *same* precedence.





10 OP1 (7 OP2 3) (10 OP1 7) OP2 3



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#### • Does it make a difference?

Expression	Value
(10 + 7) + 3	20
10 + (7 + 3)	20
(10 + 7) - 3	14
10 + (7 - 3)	14
(10 - 7) + 3	6
10 - (7 + 3)	0
(10 - 7) - 3	0
10 - (7 - 3)	6

• Yes – when first operator is –.

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- Java operators also have **operator associativity**.
- +, -, \* and / have left associativity
  - when two equal precedence operators fight over an **operand**?
    - \* The *left* one wins.

Expression	Implicit brackets	Value
10 + 7 + 3	(10 + 7) + 3	20
10 + 7 - 3	(10 + 7) - 3	14
10 - 7 + 3	(10 - 7) + 3	6
10 - 7 - 3	(10 - 7) - 3	0

• \* and / also have equal precedence (higher than + and -).



Coffee time:	Figure out why "I earn " + 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6 evaluates to "I earn 123456", whereas "I am " + (1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + 5 + 6)
-----------------	--





Coffee Alternatively, we could have written our **expression** as time: salary - mortgage - bills. Convince yourself that this would produce the same result, whereas the expression salary - mortgage + bills would be wrong.



- Use escape sequence n to have new line character in string literal.
- E.g.

System.out.println("This text\nspans three\nlines.");

produces:

This text

spans three

lines.

- Note: System.out.println() always produces line separator
  - carriage return character followed by new line character on Windows.



Sequence	Name	Effect
\b	Backspace	Moves the cursor back one place, so the next
		character will over-print the previous.
\t	Tab (horizontal tab)	Moves the cursor to the next `tab stop'.
∖n	New line (line feed)	Moves the cursor to the next line.
\f	Form feed	Moves to a new page on many (text) printers.
\r	Carriage return	Moves the cursor to the start of the current line, so
		characters will over-print those already printed.
\_ <b>"</b>	Double quote	Without the backslash escape, this would mark the
		end of the string literal.
$\setminus$ '	Single quote	This is just for consistency – we don't need to es-
		cape a single quote in a string literal.
$\setminus \setminus$	Backslash	Well, sometimes you want the backslash character
		itself.



009: System.out.println	("Your salary:\t" + salary
010:	+ "\nYour mortgage:\t" + mortgage
011:	+ "\nYour bills:\t" + bills
012:	+ "\nDisposable:\t" + disposableIncome);
013: }	
014: }	



```
001: public class DisposableIncome
002: {
003:
      public static void main(String[] args)
004:
005:
        int salary = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
006:
         int mortgage = Integer.parseInt(args[1]);
007:
         int bills
                      = Integer.parseInt(args[2]);
008:
         int disposableIncome = salary - (mortgage + bills);
009:
         System.out.println("Your salary:\t" + salary
                            + "\nYour mortgage:\t" + mortgage
010:
011:
                            + "\nYour bills:\t" + bills
012:
                            + "\nDisposable:\t" + disposableIncome);
013:
014: }
```



## Trying it

			Co	onsole Input / Output	
\$ java Disposal	oleIncome	38356	24317	4665	
Your salary:	38356				
Your mortgage:	24317				
Your bills:	4665				
Disposable:	9374				
\$ java Disposal	oleIncome	19178	12875	3665	
Your salary:	19178				
Your mortgage:	12875				
Your bills:	3665				
Disposable:	2638				
\$					





#### (Summary only)

Write a program to show what weights can be weighed using a balance scale and three given weights.



#### Section 8

# Example: Sum the first N numbers – correctly



AIM: To introduce the fact that **integer division** produces a truncated result. We then look at the interaction between that and **operator associativity**.

# Expression: arithmetic: int division truncates result

- The division operator uses integer division when given two integers.
  - throws away any remainder.
- E.g.
  - 8 / 2 is 4
  - 9 / 2 is 4
- Always rounds towards zero:
  - 15 / 4 is 3, not 3.75 nor 4.



- Previous implementation: (1 + n) / 2 \* n
  - only works if n is odd.
- Ensure **multiplication** done before **division** 
  - must work: sum of the first n whole numbers is a whole number!

# Expression: arithmetic: associativity and int division

- \* and / have equal operator precedence and left associativity.
- But / with integers truncates.
- E.g.

Expression	Implicit brackets	Value
9 * 4 / 2	(9 * 4) / 2	18
9 / 2 * 4	(9 / 2) * 4	16



#### Simplest **bug** fix: swap order of divide and multiply.



CoffeeConvince yourself that this will always avoid the problemtime:for this program.

```
001: public class SumFirstN
002: {
003:
       public static void main(String[] args)
004:
        {
005:
         int n = Integer.parseInt(args[0]);
006:
         int sumOfFirstN = (1 + n) * n / 2;
007:
         System.out.println("The sum of the first " + n + " numbers is "
008:
                            + sumOfFirstN);
009:
010: }
```



## Trying it

Console Input / Output	
\$ java SumFirstN 1	
The sum of the first 1 numbers is 1	
\$ java SumFirstN 2	
The sum of the first 2 numbers is 3	
\$ java SumFirstN 3	
The sum of the first 3 numbers is 6	
\$ java SumFirstN 4	
The sum of the first 4 numbers is 10	
\$ java SumFirstN 5	
The sum of the first 5 numbers is 15	
\$	



## Trying it

Console Input / Output	
\$ java SumFirstN 10	
The sum of the first 10 numbers is 55	
\$ java SumFirstN 11	
The sum of the first 11 numbers is 66	
\$ java SumFirstN 50	
The sum of the first 50 numbers is 1275	
\$ java SumFirstN 51	
The sum of the first 51 numbers is 1326	
\$ java SumFirstN 100	
The sum of the first 100 numbers is 5050	
\$ java SumFirstN 101	
The sum of the first 101 numbers is 5151	
\$	Run



#### (Summary only)

Write a program to help a child determine whether she has enough pennies to go shopping!



Section 9

# Example: Temperature conversion



AIM: To introduce the double type and some associated concepts, including converting to and from strings, and double division.



- The type double is reals.
- E.g. 0.0, -129.934, 98.2375.
- Uses double precision storage technique.
  - real numbers only approximated: stored in finite memory space.
  - double precision uses twice as much memory per number
    - \* than older **single precision** technique.
  - much more precise than single precision.



• Can declare double variables – variables of type double.

• E.g.

double meanAgeOfPeopleLivingInMyHouse;

- Value of meanAgeOfPeopleLivingInMyHouse can change
  - but must always be a double.
  - **-** E.g. 33.0



- Often want to turn a **text data string** representation of a **real** into that number.
  - E.g. turn "123.456" into 123.456.
- A simple way:

```
Double.parseDouble("123.456");
```

- Double is a class in the API: has method called parseDouble.
- E.g.

double firstArgument = Double.parseDouble(args[0]);

- takes first command line argument
- computes number it represents (if it does run time error otherwise)
- stores that in firstArgument.



001: <b>public class</b> CelsiusToFahrenheit 002: {
003: <b>public static void</b> main(String[] args)
004: {
<pre>005: double celsiusValue = Double.parseDouble(args[0]);</pre>



- / uses **double division** with **aouble** result if at least one **operand** is **aouble**.
- E.g.

Expression	Result	Type of Result
8 / 2	4	int
8 / 2.0	4.0	double
9 / 2	4	int
9 / 2.0	4.5	double
9.0 / 2	4.5	double
9.0 / 2.0	4.5	double



• Celsius / Fahrenheit relationship:  $F = \frac{9}{5}C + 32$ 

006: **double** fahrenheitValue = celsiusValue \* 9 / 5 + 32;



- Java concatenation operator also converts aouble to a string.
- E.g. "" + 123.4 has the value "123.4".



007:	System.out.println("Temperature " + celsiusValue + " Celsius"
008:	+ " in Fahrenheit is " + fahrenheitValue + ".");
009:	}
010: }	



CoffeeWhat do you think would happen if we declared the vari-time:able fahrenheitValue as an int instead of a double?



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       {
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        double fahrenheitValue = celsiusValue * 9 / 5 + 32;
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                            + " in Fahrenheit is " + fahrenheitValue + ".");
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#### (Summary only)

Write a program to convert a temperature from Fahrenheit to Celsius.



- Each book chapter ends with a list of concepts covered in it.
- Each concept has with it
  - a self-test question,
  - and a page reference to where it was covered.
- Please use these to check your understanding before we start the next chapter.