

LEC 08

CSE 121

# Returns

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*Talk in chat:*

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- Announcements, Reminders ←
- Common Problem-Solving Strategies
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# Announcements, Reminders

- C2 releasing later today, due **Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup>**
- R3 releasing later today, due **Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup>**
- Quiz 1 on **Thursday, July 31<sup>st</sup>**
  - Can't make it? Email Hannah ASAP



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# PCM: Returns

Returns allow us to send values *out of a method*

```
public static <type> myMethod(...) {  
    ...  
    return <value of correct type>  
}
```

Evaluates the expression

Returns this value to where  
the method is called from

Method immediately exits

Calling a method that returns a value...

```
<type> result = myMethod(...);
```



# Recall: Math

Method	Description
<code>Math.abs(value)</code>	Returns the absolute value of <i>value</i>
<code>Math.ceil(value)</code>	Returns <i>value</i> rounded up
<code>Math.floor(value)</code>	Returns <i>value</i> rounded down
<code>Math.max(value1, value2)</code>	Returns the larger of the two values
<code>Math.min(value1, value2)</code>	Returns the smaller of the two values
<code>Math.round(value)</code>	Returns <i>value</i> rounded to the nearest whole number* note: need to cast result to int (it's complicated!)
<code>Math.sqrt(value)</code>	Returns the square root of <i>value</i>
<code>Math.pow(base, exp)</code>	Returns <i>base</i> raised to the <i>exp</i> power



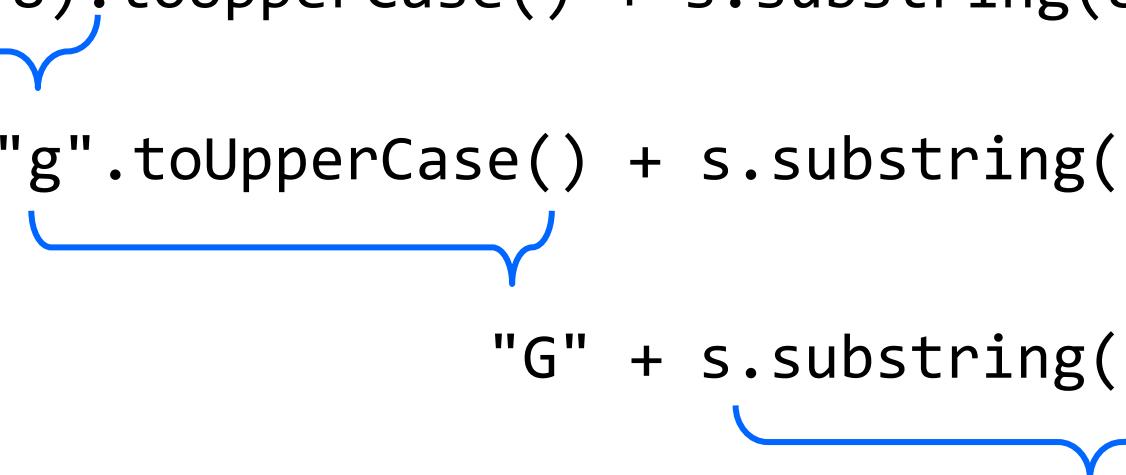
# Recall: String Methods

Method	Description
<code>length()</code>	<b>Returns</b> the length of the string.
<code>charAt(<i>i</i>)</code>	<b>Returns</b> the character at index <i>i</i> of the string
<code>indexOf(<i>s</i>)</code>	<b>Returns</b> the index of the first occurrence of <i>s</i> in the string; returns -1 if <i>s</i> doesn't appear in the string
<code>substring(<i>i, j</i>)</code> or <code>substring(<i>i</i>)</code>	<b>Returns</b> the characters in this string from <i>i</i> (inclusive) to <i>j</i> (exclusive); if <i>j</i> is omitted, goes until the end of the string
<code>contains(<i>s</i>)</code>	<b>Returns</b> whether or not the string contains <i>s</i>
<code>equals(<i>s</i>)</code>	<b>Returns</b> whether or not the string is equal to <i>s</i> (case-sensitive)
<code>equalsIgnoreCase(<i>s</i>)</code>	<b>Returns</b> whether or not the string is equal to <i>s</i> ignoring case
<code>toUpperCase()</code>	<b>Returns</b> an uppercase version of the string
<code>toLowerCase()</code>	<b>Returns</b> a lowercase version of the string



# Reminder: Gumball & Strings

```
String s = "bubblegum";  
s = s.substring(7, 8).toUpperCase() + s.substring(8) + "ball";  
s = "g".toUpperCase() + s.substring(8) + "ball";  
s = "G" + s.substring(8) + "ball";  
s = "G" + "um" + "ball";
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# Revisiting Method Comments

Each method you write (except main) should have a short comment!

```
// Behavior:  
// - Calculates net profit using monthly income and daily spending.  
// Parameters:  
// - income: user's income this month (non-negative)  
// - spending: amount spent each day this month (non-negative)  
// Returns:  
// - int: the net profit or loss. Positive if profit, negative if loss.  
public static int calculateNetExpenses(int income, int spending) {  
    return income - (spending * DAYS_IN_MONTH);  
}
```





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A. -1

B. 0

C. 4

D. 5

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    for (int i = 0; i < 5; i++) {  
        return i;  
    }  
    return -1;  
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