HelloWorld.java

Program Breakdown (Printing to Console)

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Class Declaration

```
public class HelloWorld {
}
```

Specifying the name of the program:

- You can name a class whatever you want as long as:
 - It contains only letters, numbers, underscores, and dollar sign symbols
 - Must begin with a letter
- The name of the class must exactly match the name of the file, so this class must be saved in a file called HelloWorld.java.

**Keywords:

**You must spell these words exactly and write them in the correct order so Java recognizes them.

- These words (public class) indicate (declare) to Java that you are writing a class that can be accessed for, among other things, running code.
- A class is a container for the code of a program
- There can be only one public class per file

Scope:

- Everything between the curly braces is part of the program; it is within the "scope" of the class HelloWorld
- This is where the code for the program goes

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Main method declaration

```
public class HelloWorld {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
}
```

**Specifying main method:

- Using the declaration "main" with "String[] args" between the parentheses will indicate to Java that this is the method that should be executed when the program is run
- For now, remember to type "main(String[] args)" exactly for declaring the method

**Keywords:

- These words (public static void) indicate (declare) to Java that you are writing a method that contains statements of executable code
- A method is a subroutine, a part of the overall procedure of the program that has been labeled

Scope:

- Everything between the curly braces is part of (within the scope of) the main method
- This is where the executable statements of code go
- Java will execute the statements in main in order from top to bottom

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System.out.println() statement

```
public class HelloWorld {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println();
    }
}
```

**System.out.println:

- Executable call asks Java to print whatever is between the parentheses, then move print cursor to next line
- If the parentheses are empty like System.out.println(), we will just print a blank line
- If we want to print text, we need to specify what text we want printed on the line in between the parentheses

Statement:

 The semicolon (;) indicates to Java that whatever comes before it is a statement of code to be executed

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String literal

```
public class HelloWorld {
    public static void main(String[] args) {
        System.out.println("Hello, World!");
    }
}
```

String literal:

- To represent text in Java, we use two quotation marks and put the characters in the text between the quotation marks – we call this a String (of characters) and we say it is a String literal when we are dealing with the quotes
- If we want to print Hello, World!
 We ask for System.out.println with the String literal "Hello, World!"

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