



## Writing code: the IDE – *what is it?*

line - Java - debugging - application - compilation - key words - memory - syntax - mistakes  
processor - source code - IDE - execution - fix - free of charge - modules

In theory, you could use a word processing program to write a \_\_\_\_\_. However, this would not be practical and an integrated development environment \_\_\_\_\_ is a better tool. An example of such an environment is Eclipse. It is open source and may be used \_\_\_\_\_. By using Eclipse you can write code in many languages such as \_\_\_\_\_, C++ or PHP. An IDE contains several features and \_\_\_\_\_ that make it easier to create software applications. The source code editor automatically colours \_\_\_\_\_ to make it easier to read the code. The editor also checks for the correct \_\_\_\_\_ of the code. It can also detect and underline commonly made \_\_\_\_\_. Once the code has been written, it is transformed into something a computer \_\_\_\_\_ can understand. This transformation process is called \_\_\_\_\_. The compiler is part of the IDE. It goes through every \_\_\_\_\_ of code, and transforms and optimizes it. The IDE also helps with a process called \_\_\_\_\_. After the source code has been compiled, the IDE starts the new \_\_\_\_\_ in debug mode. While it is running in this mode, the programmer can tell the IDE to pause the \_\_\_\_\_ of the program. This allows him or her to look at what is currently stored in the \_\_\_\_\_ area the program is using. This makes it easier to find and \_\_\_\_\_ errors, hence the term “debug”.

***Outline some major advantages of an IDE like Eclipse! What do you use it for?***

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