

## JUnit 4

Method annotations:

tag	description
@Test @Test (timeout = <b>time</b> ) @Test (expected = <b>exception.class</b> )	Turns a public method into a JUnit test case. Adding a timeout will cause the test case to fail after <b>time</b> milliseconds. Adding an expected exception will cause the test case to fail if <b>exception</b> is not thrown.
@Before	Method to run before every test case
@After	Method to run after every test case
@BeforeClass	Method to run once, before any test cases have run
@AfterClass	Method to run once, after all test cases have run

Assertion methods:

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assertTrue( <b>test</b> )	fails if the Boolean test is <b>false</b>
assertFalse( <b>test</b> )	fails if the Boolean test is <b>true</b>
assertEquals( <b>expected, actual</b> )	fails if the values are not equal
assertSame( <b>expected, actual</b> )	fails if the values are not the same (by ==)
assertNotSame( <b>expected, actual</b> )	fails if the values are the same (by ==)
assertNull( <b>value</b> )	fails if the given value is not <b>null</b>
assertNotNull( <b>value</b> )	fails if the given value is <b>null</b>
fail()	causes the current test to immediately fail

Each method can also be passed a string to display if it fails, e.g.

assertEquals("message", expected, actual)

### Unit testing tips:

- The entire goal is **FAILURE ATOMICITY**- the ability to know exactly what failed when a test case did not pass
- Tests should be self-contained and not care about each other
- you cannot test everything! Instead think about:
  - boundary cases,
  - empty cases,
  - behavior in combination (but not to excess)
- Each test case should test ONE THING
  - 10 small tests are better than 1 test 10x as large
  - Rule of thumb: 1 assert statement per test case
  - Try to avoid complicated logic
- Torture tests are ok, but only *in addition* to simple tests

## JUnit best practices:

- Use descriptive test names
- Add a default timeout to every test
- Use private methods to get rid of redundant test code
- Create test suites using `@RunWith` and `@Suite.SuiteClasses` to run tests for several classes at once
- Build quick arrays and collections using array literals

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- int[] quick = new int[] {1, 2, 3, 4};  
- List<Integer> list = Arrays.asList(7, 4, -3, 18);  
- Set<Integer> set = new HashSet<Integer>(Arrays.asList(5, 6, 10) );
```

## Javadoc

- Whenever you write a class to be used by clients, you should write full Javadoc comments for all of its public behavior (private methods should have comments, but they shouldn't be Javadoc).
- Don't repeat yourself or write vacuous comments.
- Each class constant or enumeration value can be commented.
- **precondition:** Something assumed to be true at the start of a call.
- **postcondition:** Something your method promises will be true at the end of its execution, if all preconditions were true at the start.
- **Assertions:** used to check preconditions

On a method or constructor:

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<code>@param <i>name</i> <i>description</i></code>	describes a parameter
<code>@return <i>description</i></code>	describes what value will be returned
<code>@throws <i>ExceptionType</i> <i>reason</i></code>	describes an exception that may be thrown (and what would cause it to be thrown)
<code>{@code <i>sourcecode</i> }</code>	for showing Java code in the comments
<code>{@inheritDoc}</code>	allows a subclass method to copy Javadoc comments from the superclass version

On a class header:

tag	description
<code>@author <i>name</i></code>	author of a class
<code>@version <i>number</i></code>	class's version number, in any format