Show Your Code

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Opening Discussion

- What did we do last class?
- Minute Essay comments
  - What exactly is a double?
  - Random numbers in the spreadsheet.
  - Things you could do with VBScript you can't do with normal Excel.
Show Your Code

- Let's look at people's code to the various options.
Loops: for vs. while

- Technically the for-loop and while loop can do the exact same things.
  - for(A; B; C) {
    - D
  }
  - } 

- Same as:
  - A
  - while(B) {
    - D 
    - C
  }
  - }
Complex Spreadsheet Functions

- I have two examples that I want us to play with. Start with weather data.
  - Calculating the value of money spent on a large project in adjusted dollars.
  - Averages for specific situations. For example you want to know how the company performed in months when certain subunits performed above or below certain levels.

- We should step through how to solve each of these first. What would you need to do to solve either in Excel?
More Files

- We can make our program a little more useful by improving file handling.
  - We already made it so that we can specify the file name I want to read.
  - I'd like to have the ability to write our table back out to a CSV file.
Writing Files

- To write to a file we will use a java.io.PrintWriter. Like with the Scanner, we make a new PrintWriter and give it a File object. This time it is the file it should write to.
- We can then call print or println on the PrintWriter object.
- We should call the close() method when we are done.
Minute Essay

- What do you find to be most challenging about the material we have covered so far in this class? What things do you still get hung up on?